The City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at 6:00 PM in the Council Chamber of the Auburn Public Safety Building at 141 North Ross Street.

1. CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Anders.

Mayor Anders called the meeting to order.

2. ROLL CALL.

The following Councilmembers were present: Tyler Adams, Max Coblentz, Tommy Dawson, Kelley Griswold, Sonny Moreman, Bob Parsons, Connie Taylor, Beth Witten, and Mayor Ron Anders. Absent: None. Also present was City Manager Megan McGowen Crouch.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE.

Mayor Anders invited all present to stand and join the Council in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and in observing a moment of silence after the Pledge.

4. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS. Mayor Anders.

a. Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Anders provided a summary of the Committee of the Whole meeting previously held.

b. Announcements.

Mayor Anders thanked various groups for hosting him over the last two weeks and provided a preview of the events he will attend in the coming days.

Councilperson Moreman asked questions about Absentee Ballot deadlines.

City Manager Crouch answered the questions.

5. AUBURN UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS.

Auburn University SGA Representative Tempie Stokes updated the Council about events at Auburn University.

6. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS.

None.

7. CITY MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS. City Manager Crouch.

a. Board vacancy announcements. Appointments September 15, 2026.

1. Industrial Development Board. Two (2) vacancies. Terms begin October 10, 2026, and end October 9, 2032.

2. Lee County Youth Development Center. One (1) vacancy. Term begins October 1, 2026, and ends September 30, 2030.

City Manager Crouch announced vacancies on the Industrial Development Board and the Lee County Youth Development Center Board of Directors.

8. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA.

City Manager Crouch asked if any items should be removed from the consent agenda.

Councilmember Coblentz removed item 8b3 from the consent agenda.

Councilmember Witten motioned that the items on the consent agenda be adopted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders declared the consent agenda approved.

a. Minutes. August 4, 2026. **APPROVED**

b. Alcohol beverage licenses.

1. Friendship Foods, Inc. d/b/a Country's Barbecue. 150 – Special Retail License – 30 Days or Less. 350 Duncan Drive Green Space. **APPROVED**

2. Greenawalt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a B and B Beta Theta Pi. 140 – Special Events Retail. 930 Lem Morrison Drive. **APPROVED**

3. Downtown Entertainment, LLC d/b/a EN UF Game Day. 140 – Special Events Retail. 715 West Magnolia Avenue.

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

b. Alcohol beverage licenses.

3. Downtown Entertainment, LLC d/b/a EN UF Game Day. 140 – Special Events Retail. 715 West Magnolia Avenue.

City Manager Crouch said Downtown Entertainment, LLC d/b/a EN UF Game Day is seeking approval for a 140 – Special Events Retail alcohol beverage license.

Councilmember Coblentz said he removed the item from the consent agenda to abstain from the vote.

Councilmember Parsons motioned that the request be granted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Taylor, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None. Abstaining: Coblentz. Mayor Anders declared the motion carried.

9. ORDINANCES.

a. Zoning Ordinance. Text Amendment. Travel Center/Truck Stop. Planning Commission recommendations. Unanimous consent necessary. Public hearing required.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance makes text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance related to travel centers and truck stops. She added that a public hearing was required.

Councilmember Witten introduced the ordinance.
City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.
Councilmember Witten motioned that unanimous consent be granted to consider the ordinance on its first reading.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion.

Mayor Anders asked if there was an objection to the ordinance being considered on its first

reading.

Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor Anders declared unanimous consent granted and the ordinance ready for adoption.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

David May (2250 Turnberry Lane) spoke about trucks parking overnight at Racetrac.

There being no further comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

The Council asked questions and City staff answered the questions.

Upon roll call vote, the following Council members voted aye: Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Witten, Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.
Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.
Ordinance No. 3604

b. Rezoning. Farmville Mixed-Use PDD Amendment. Amend the 14.17 acre Farmville Mixed-Use Planned Development District (PDD). Property located at the northwest corner of East Farmville Road and US Highway 280. Unanimous consent necessary. Planning Commission recommendation. Public hearing required.

City Manager Crouch said this ordinance amends the Farmville Mixed-Use PDD. She added that a public hearing was required.

Councilmember Witten introduced the ordinance.
City Manager Crouch read the ordinance by title.
Councilmember Witten motioned that unanimous consent be granted to consider the ordinance on its first reading.
Councilmember Moreman seconded the motion.

Mayor Anders asked if there was an objection to the ordinance being considered on its first reading.

Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor Anders declared unanimous consent granted and the ordinance ready for adoption.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

There being no comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

The Council asked questions about the item.

Brett Basquin (Foresite Group) answered the questions.

Upon roll call vote, the following Council members voted aye: Moreman, Parsons, Witten, Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, Griswold, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None.
Mayor Anders declared the ordinance adopted.
Ordinance No. 3605

10. RESOLUTIONS.

a. Conditional use approvals. Planning Commission recommendations. Public hearings required.

1. 152 Bragg Avenue - Multiple-Unit Development. Performance residential development (multiple-unit development). Property located at 152–160 Bragg Avenue in the Corridor Redevelopment District - West (CRD-W) zoning district.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a performance residential development. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

Lee Tharp (Kadre Engineering) spoke about the project.

There being no further comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Moreman asked questions about tandem parking.

Planning Director Justice Wahid Cotton answered the questions.

Councilmember Witten motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 26-220

2. Celebration Event Center. Commercial and entertainment use (event center). Property located at 1000 Main Street, Suite B.
Postponed to September 1, 2026

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a commercial and entertainment use. She added that a public hearing was required.

Councilmember Adams motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Parsons seconded the motion.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

There being no comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.
Councilmember Adams asked questions about the event types at the facility.

The Council asked questions about the item and City Manager Crouch and Planning Director Justice Wahid Cotton answered the questions.

Councilmember Witten said she would like more information before voting on the item.

Councilmember Adams motioned to add a condition that events at the center not exceed 10 p.m., 7 days a week.
Councilmember Parsons seconded the motion.

Councilmember Adams motioned to postpone the item to September 1, 2026.
Councilmember Witten seconded and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the item postponed to the September 1, 2026, Council meeting.

3. Chateau Apartments. Performance residential use (multiple-unit development). Property located at 560 North Gay Street.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a performance residential development. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

There being no comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Taylor asked questions about the type of apartments that would be rebuilt and about the potential displacement of the current tenants.

The Council also asked questions about the item.

The applicant's representative Brett Basquin answered the Council's questions.

Councilmember Witten motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Moreman seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: Taylor.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 26-221

4. LeMans Apartments. Performance residential use (multiple-unit development). Property located at 560 Perry Street.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a performance residential development. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

Elizabeth White (637 Forestdale Drive) said she is concerned about displaced residents.

There being no further comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

The Council asked questions about the item.

City staff answered the questions.

Councilmember Coblentz motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, Moreman, Parsons, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: Griswold and Taylor.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 26-222

5. Farmville Mixed-Use. Conditional Use. Various non-residential uses. Property located at the northwest corner of East Farmville Road and US Highway 280.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for various non-residential uses. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

There being no comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

The Council asked questions about the item.

City staff and Brett Basquin answered the questions.

Councilmember Witten motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 26-223

6. Project V. Industrial use (manufacturing use). Property located at 3111 Haygood Court.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for an industrial use. She added that a public hearing was required.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

There being no comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

The Council asked questions about the item.

City Manager Crouch answered the questions.

Councilmember Dawson motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Witten seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Dawson, Griswold, Moreman, Parsons, Taylor, Witten and Mayor Anders. Voting no: None. Abstaining: Coblentz.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 26-224

7. The Shoppes at Woodward Oaks. Commercial and entertainment use (package store). Property located at 1785 James Burt Parkway.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes conditional use approval for a commercial and entertainment use. She added that a public hearing was required.

Councilmember Witten motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

Mayor Anders opened the public hearing.

The applicants spoke about the item.

There being no further comments from the audience, Mayor Anders closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Witten asked questions about the item.

City Manager Crouch answered the questions.

Councilmember Witten motioned to add a condition to prohibit the sale of any vape products.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the motion carried.

Upon the vote, the following Councilmembers voted aye: Adams, Coblentz, Dawson, Griswold, Parsons, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Voting no: Moreman and Taylor.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 26-225

b. Alcohol beverage license. KCP 2026, LLC d/b/a The Spirit Vault. 011 – Lounge Retail Liquor – Class II (Package). 1785 James Burt Parkway, Suite 104. **APPROVED**

City Manager Crouch said KCP 2026, LLC d/b/a The Spirit Vault is seeking approval for a 011 – Lounge Retail Liquor – Class II (Package) alcohol beverage license.

Councilmember Witten motioned that the request be granted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion, and the following members voted aye: Adams, Cobletnz, Dawson, Griswold, Parsons, Witten, and Mayor Anders. Voting No: Moreman and Taylor.
Mayor Anders declared the motion carried.

c. Contract. JLD Enterprises, LLC. Town Creek Park Trail Extension. $611,558.84.

City Manager Crouch said this resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with JLD Enterprises, LLC.

The Council asked questions.

City Manager Crouch answered the questions.

Councilmember Parsons motioned that the resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Adams seconded the motion and all members voted aye.
Mayor Anders declared the resolution adopted.
RESOLUTION No. 26-226

11. OTHER BUSINESS.

None.

12. CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM.

Harriett Huggins (631 S. Dean Road) spoke about Public Safety Academy Alumni activities and a positive experience with Auburn Fire Department.

13. ADJOURNMENT.

Councilmember Witten moved that the meeting be adjourned.
Councilmember Coblentz seconded the motion, and all members voted aye.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Manager