

**MINUTES**  
**November 21, 2023**  
**Irondale City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers, City Hall**  
**Regular Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m.**

- I. Invocation and Pledge** – *Councilor Cuellar led the invocation and pledge.*
- II. Call to Order** – *The meeting was called to order by Council President Spivey at 6:02 p.m.*

**III. Roll Call**

**Present**

David Spivey, Council President  
John London, President Pro Tem  
Aaron Sims  
Cindy Cuellar  
Robert Box

**IV. Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on November 7, 2023.**

*Councilor Cuellar made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting on November 7th, 2023. The motion was seconded by Councilor Box. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.*

**V. Approval of Current Bills for Payment (\$1,497,187.04)**

*Councilor Box made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,497,187.04. This motion was seconded by Councilor Sims. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.*

**VI. Professional/Consultants' Reports**

**VII. Mayor's Report, Announcements, Special Guest**

**VIII. Department Heads' Reports**

**Councilmembers, Standing Committees, or Special Committee Reports**

- A. David Spivey (Economic Dev., Library, Finance, Planning & Zoning)
- B. John London (Parks)
- C. Cindy Cuellar (Water Dept., Judicial Ordinances, CDA)
- D. Robert Box (Senior Activity Center, Public Safety, Abatement Board)
- E. Aaron Sims (Public Works)

**IX. Reports of Boards and Non-Council Committees**

**X. Public Hearings**

**XI. Council Deliberation on Agenda Items Only** – *The City Council discussed all agenda items.*

**XII. Approval of the Form of the Agenda** – *Councilor Box made a motion to approve the Form of the Agenda. This motion was seconded by Councilor Sims. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.*

**XIII. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only**

*Michael Anne Markiewicz; 478 Cahaba Landings Road*

*Tina Abdella; 3838 Bainbridge Pl*

*Sean Brown; 5068 Janet Circle*

*Sandra Lauriello; 5732 Belle Ridge Trail*

*Larry Jones; 5741 Belmont Drive*

**XIV. Consent Agenda**

*Councilor Box made a motion that items 1, 2, 4 and 5 be placed on the Consent Agenda, item 3 be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda, and the Consent Agenda be approved, as amended. Councilor Sims seconded the motion. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.*

1. Resolved, That Resolution 2023-R-172 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a Pole Attachment Agreement with Alabama Power Company for Holiday Decorations. *(Pennington)*
2. Resolved, That Resolution 2023-R-173 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a traffic signal service agreement with Alabama Power Company for the installation of additional traffic signals at the Grants Mill Road Publix location. *(Pennington)*
4. Resolved, That Resolution 2023-R-175 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a Grant Agreement with Alabama Power Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$1,410.00 for the program “Building Community, Building the Future.” *(Mayor Stewart)*
5. Resolved, That Resolution 2023-R-176 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to invest the sum of \$1,000,000.00 in the City’s Reserve Fund at Truist Bank. *(Allison)*

**XV. Regular Agenda**

**New Business**

3. Resolved, That Resolution 2023-R-174 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a Community Service Agreement with Alabama Coalition for Immigrant Justice United in the amount of \$2,500.00. *(Allison)*

*Councilor Spivey made a motion that Resolution 2023-R-174 be approved. Councilor Sims seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with Councilors Box, Sims and*

*Spivey voting in favor of the motion, Councilor Cuellar voting against the motion, and Councilor London abstaining.*

6. Ordained, That Ordinance 2023-33 amends certain sections of Appendix B of *The Irondale City Code* to amend business license regulations. (Allison)

*Councilor Cuellar made a motion that Ordinance 2023-33 be considered read. Councilor Box seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.*

*Councilor Cuellar made a motion that all rules that would prevent the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2023-33 be suspended. Councilor Box seconded this motion. A roll call vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.*

*Councilor Cuellar made a motion that Ordinance 2023-33 be adopted. Councilor Box seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.*

**XVI. Public Comments to the Council – None**

**XVIII. Adjournment**

*Councilor London made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Councilor Sims seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.*

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Leigh Ann Allison, City Clerk

Read and approved on the 5th day of December, 2023.

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David Spivey, City Council President