

MINUTES
December 6, 2022
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 Pro Tem London at 6:01 p.m.*

III. Roll Call

Present

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

Absent

David Spivey, Council President

IV. Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on November 15, 2022.

Councilor Box made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting on November 15, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sims. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

V. Approval of Current Bills for Payment (\$413,021.77)

Councilor Box made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$413,021.77. This motion was seconded by Councilor Sims. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

VI. Professional/Consultants' Reports

City Engineer's Report – Darren Hamrick

VII. Mayor's Report, Announcements, Special Guest

Proclamation – Dr. Webber – continued to next meeting

Bret Isom – Regional Planning Commission

VIII. Department Heads' Reports

Fire Chief McDaniel

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 – None

X. Public Hearings

1. Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the City Council to hear comments from interested citizens concerning the weeds growing upon or in front of the property located at 775 Abigale Lane, Irondale, Alabama 35210 to determine whether the weeds constitute a public nuisance which shall be abated by removal of the noxious or dangerous weeds; and if so, will order the abatement and removal of the nuisance.

Councilor Box made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Councilor Sims seconded the motion. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
Keith Wolfe-Hughes; 783 Abigale Lane	None

Councilor Sims made a motion to end the Public Hearing. Councilor Box seconded the motion. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

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 that the form of the agenda be approved. Councilor Cuellar seconded the motion. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

Donna Pike; 440 East Ventura Drive

XIV. Consent Agenda – Councilor Box made a motion that the Consent Agenda be approved, as modified. Councilor Cuellar seconded the motion. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

1. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-219 allows employees to sell back up to 80 hours of vacation leave to the City if an employee's accrued leave balance exceeds the maximum allowable amount permitted by the Personnel Board of Jefferson County.
(City)

2. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-220 amends Resolution 2011-R-28 to adopt the Personnel Board of Jefferson County's definition of "Immediate Family" for the purposes of employee leave. *(City)*
3. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-221 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr. to enter into an agreement with ALDOT to repair and restore the existing interstate lighting within the City of Irondale on I-20 from MP 135 to and including the I-459/20 route interchange to a functioning state. *(City)*
4. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-222 enters into an agreement with Keep America Beautiful for Irondale to become an affiliate of the Keep America Beautiful organization which encourages and educates citizens to take action to improve and beautify their community environment for the sum of \$2,500.00 for the application fees and \$115.00 for each following year after completing certification. *(City)*
5. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-223 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr. or his designee to apply for grant funding for the Irondale Senior Activity Center for \$15,000.00 from the Jefferson County Commission and to execute any such documents necessary for any award related thereto. *(City)*
6. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-224 appoints Brett Bloomston as the Municipal Judge for the City of Irondale and Dorothea Batiste as the Alternate Judge in the absence of the Municipal Judge. *(City)*
7. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-225 appoints Brandon Price as the Municipal Prosecutor for the City of Irondale and Roderick Evans as the Alternate Prosecutor in the absence of the Municipal Prosecutor. *(City)*
8. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-226 authorizes the Mayor to execute an amendment to the commercial sale agreement for the property located at 1080 Grants Mill Road, Irondale, Alabama to extend the Due Diligence Period. *(City)*
9. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-227 authorizes the Mayor to execute a Medical Director Agreement for the Irondale Fire Department in the amount of \$12,500.00 per year. *(McDaniel)*

XV. Regular Agenda

New Business

1. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-228 declares the weeds, overgrowth, and noxious vegetable matter located on the premises at 775 Abigale Lane, Irondale, Alabama as a public nuisance and orders the abatement thereof. *(Lawley)*

Councilor Sims made a motion that Resolution 2022-R-228 be approved. Councilor Box seconded this motion. A roll call vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion

2. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-229 authorizes a Moratorium on the issuance of Sign permits within the City of Irondale for a period of 120 days. (City)

Councilor Sims made a motion that Resolution 2022-R-229 be approved. Councilor Box seconded this motion. A roll call vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion

3. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-230 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr. to execute an agreement for the purchase of property located at 2101 John Rogers Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35210 for the price of \$300,000.00 for the construction of a new Irondale Fire Department and Training Center. (McDaniel)

Councilor Box made a motion that Resolution 2022-R-230 be approved. Councilor Sims seconded this motion. A roll call vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion

XVI. Public Comments to the Council – None

XVII. Adjournment

Councilor Cuellar made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Councilor Sims seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Leigh Ann Allison, City Clerk

Read and approved on the 20th day of December, 2022.

John London, President Pro Tem, City Council