

MINUTES
January 6, 2026
Irondale City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers, City Hall
Regular Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

- I. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** – *Pastor Micheal McClure led the invocation and pledge.*
- II. Call to Order** – *The meeting was called to order by Council President Spivey at 6:09 p.m.*
- III. Roll Call**
- | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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| David Spivey, Council President | John London |
| Erin Arnold | |
| Aaron Sims | |
| Robert Box | |
- IV. Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on December 16, 2025**
- Councilor Sims made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting held on December 16th, 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilor Box. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously with Councilor Arnold abstaining.*
- V. Approval of Current Bills for Payment (\$394,492.69)**
- Councilor Box made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$394,492.69 to be paid. This motion was seconded by Councilor Sims. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.*
- VI. Mayor’s Report, Announcements, Special Guest**
- Mayor Stewart reported that no Rebuild Alabama Act funds were expensed in FY 2024-25.*
- VII. Councilmembers, Standing Committees, or Special Committee Reports**
- A. David Spivey
 - B. John London
 - C. Erin Arnold
 - D. Robert Box
 - E. Aaron Sims
- VIII. Public Comments to the Council on Non-Agenda Items** – *None*
- IX. Reports of Boards and Non-Council Committees**

John Schoen; Irondale Exchange Club

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

XI. Approval of the Form of the Agenda

Councilor Arnold made a motion that the form of the agenda be approved. Councilor Box seconded the motion. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

XII. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only – *None*

XIII. Consent Agenda

Councilor Box made a motion that the Consent Agenda be approved. Councilor Arnold seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

1. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-01 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a Community Grant Program agreement with Jefferson County Commission to accept a grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 for the Irondale Senior Activity Center. *(Wright)*
2. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-02 authorizes the use of McGriff, a Marsh & McLennan Agency, LLC Company's insurance services as the City's Insurance Broker and the execution of any documents necessary for such purposes and for securing such services on behalf of the City. *(Mayor Stewart)*
3. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-03 authorizes the opening of account(s) with Pinnacle Bank and authorizes signatories thereon. *(Mayor Stewart)*
4. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-04 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a tax abatement agreement with Commerce Development Group, LLC and Fluid Solutions, LLC related to the renovation of an approximately 43,000 SF manufacturing facility located at 2601 Commerce Boulevard, Irondale, Alabama, as a pump and pump accessories manufacturing facility, with a total major capital investment of at least \$5,055,263.00. *(Mayor Stewart)*
5. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-05 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute an agreement with Integra Capital Group, Inc. dba EBizCharge for the provision of merchant services for the city. *(Mayor Stewart)*
6. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-06 approves the City's public events for 2026. *(Mayor Stewart)*

7. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-07 urges legislative Simplified Sellers Use Tax (“SSUT”) reform to protect local revenue, support Alabama businesses, and fund local schools. *(Mayor Stewart)*
8. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-08 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a service agreement with Mitch Pledger Youth Development in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the provision of mentorship programs, health and wellness programs, and anti-human trafficking programs to youth and young adults in the city. *(Mayor Stewart)*
9. Resolved, That Resolution 2026-R-09 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a service agreement with Covenant Rescue Group in the amount of \$2,500.00 to provides services to the city to combat human trafficking. *(Mayor Stewart)*
10. Resolved, That Resolution, 2025-R-237-A authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a service agreement with the A.G. Gaston Boys & Girls Club, Inc. to provide after school education/mentorship. *(Mayor Stewart)*

XIV. Regular Agenda

11. Ordained, That Ordinance 2026-01 amends the *Municipal Code of the City of Irondale, Alabama* by amending Chapter 5, Business Regulations, Article X, Mobile Food Units. *(Mayor Stewart)*

Councilor Sims made a motion that Ordinance 2026-01 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 Sims made a motion that all rules that would prevent the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2026-01 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 Sims made a motion that Ordinance 2026-01 be adopted. Councilor Box seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.

12. Ordained, That Ordinance 2026-02 amends the *Municipal Code of the City of Irondale, Alabama* to remove Chapter 13, Railroads, in its entirety without replacement. *(Mayor Stewart)*

Councilor Box made a motion that Ordinance 2026-02 be considered read. Councilor Sims seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.

Councilor Box made a motion that all rules that would prevent the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2026-02 be suspended. Councilor Arnold seconded this motion. A roll call vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.

Councilor Box made a motion that Ordinance 2026-02 be adopted. Councilor Arnold seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.

13. Ordained, That Ordinance 2026-03 amends the *Municipal Code of the City of Irondale, Alabama* by amending Chapter 7.5, Garbage, Refuse and Trash, Sec. 7.5-16, Mandatory Service Requirement Exemptions. (Mayor Stewart)

Councilor Sims made a motion that Ordinance 2026-03 be considered read. Councilor Arnold seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.

Councilor Sims made a motion that all rules that would prevent the immediate consideration of Ordinance 2026-03 be suspended. Councilor Arnold seconded this motion. A roll call vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.

Councilor Sims made a motion that Ordinance 2026-03 be adopted. Councilor Arnold seconded this motion. A vote was held and this motion passed with all councilors voting in favor of the motion.

XV. Executive Session

XVI. Adjournment

Councilor Arnold made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Councilor Box seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.



Leigh Allison, City Clerk

Read and approved on the 20th day of January 2026.



David Spivey, City Council President