

MINUTES
October 7, 2025
Irondale City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers, City Hall
Regular Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

I. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – *Councilor Box led the invocation and pledge.*

I. Call to Order – *The meeting was called to order by Council President Spivey at 6:01 p.m.*

II. Roll Call

Present

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

Absent

Cindy Cuellar

III. Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on September 16, 2025.

Councilor Sims made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on September 16, 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilor Box. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of Current Bills for Payment (\$1,135,097.52)

Councilor Box made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,135,097.52. This motion was seconded by Councilor Sims. A vote was held and this motion passed unanimously.

V. Mayor's Report, Announcements, Special Guest

VI. 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)
- D. Robert Box (Senior Activity Center, Public Safety, Abatement Board)
- E. Aaron Sims (Public Works, CDA)

VII. Public Comments to the Council on Non-Agenda Items – *None*

VIII. Reports of Boards and Non-Council Committees

Sherry Berry – Irondale Chamber of Commerce

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

X. Approval of the Form of the Agenda

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

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

XII. Consent Agenda

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

1. Resolved, That Resolution 2022-R-219-A repeals Resolution 2022-R-219 allowing employees to sell vacation leave back to the City. *(Mayor Stewart)*
2. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-178 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a service agreement with American Foundation for Suicide Prevention in the amount of \$1,000 from the FY 2025-26 Discretionary Fund of Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr. *(Mayor Stewart)*
3. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-179 authorizes the allocation of public funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 to Jefferson County Schools for the purpose of providing retention stipends to principals who have been at a public school within the City of Irondale for at least one year in order to encourage the retention of school administration with such amount paid as follows: \$10,000.00 – Mr. Taki Sarhaan, Principal at Shades Valley High School; \$10,000.00 – Ms. Jessica Hahn, Principal at Irondale Community School; and \$10,000.00 – Dr. Marvin Carter, Principal at Irondale Middle School. *(Mayor Stewart)*
4. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-180 declares the week of October 13, 2025 through October 17, 2025 as Teacher Appreciation Week in the City of Irondale and authorizes the donation of \$28,000.00 to Shades Valley High School, Irondale Middle School, Grantswood Community School, Irondale Community School and JCIB from the FY 2025-26 educational budget for the purpose of making individual and equal grants to the teachers within each school out of the amount given for use solely within such teacher's classroom. *(Mayor Stewart)*
5. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-181 authorizes the allocation of public funds to Irondale Community School in the amount \$1,000 from the FY 2024-25 Discretionary

Fund of Councilor David Spivey for the purchase of picnic tables for the outdoor learning environment at Irondale Community School. *(Spivey)*

6. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-182 accepts a grant from the State of Alabama Tourism Department in the amount of \$5,200.00 to assist with expenses associated with the Irondale Music Festival Series. *(Mayor Stewart)*
7. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-183 authorizes and approves the allocation of funds from the 2022-a Improvements Account in the amount of \$597,965.44 to be used for paving. *(Mayor Stewart)*
8. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-184 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute an agreement with RNC Educational Consultants, LLC to conduct an Education Feasibility Study in an amount not to exceed \$85,500. *(Mayor Stewart)*
9. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-185 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute an agreement with Bill Clifton d/b/a Network Support Technologies for the provision of information technology services to the City of Irondale. *(Mayor Stewart)*
10. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-186 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute an agreement with Mobile Communications America, Inc. for maintenance services and parts and labor for the equipment/system described in the Exhibit in an amount not to exceed \$12,780.00 per year. *(McDaniel)*
11. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-187 declares the weeds, overgrowth, and noxious vegetable matter on the premises located at 2305 2nd Avenue North, Irondale, Alabama 35210 creates a public nuisance and should be removed from such premises. *(Lawley)*
12. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-188 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute an agreement with Butch Jerrolds for the provision of zoning services to the City of Irondale in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 per year. *(Mayor Stewart)*
13. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-189 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute an agreement with Phillip Dunlap for the provision of economic development services in an amount not to exceed \$1,203.33 per month. *(Mayor Stewart)*
14. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-190 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute an agreement with Life Safety Inspection Vault LLC for a web-based management system for the Irondale Fire Department fire safety permitting. *(McDaniel)*

15. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-139-A amends Resolution 2025-R-139 authorizing the purchase of real estate located at 4514 Grants Mill Trail, Irondale, Alabama 35210 to establish the funding source as the City's General Fund Reserve Account. (*Mayor Stewart*)
16. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-191 authorizes reimbursement to the City a portion of the proceeds of the Warrant for expenses incurred in connection with a land purchase. (*Mayor Stewart*)
17. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-192 authorizes Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, to execute a Community Grant Program Agreement with the Jefferson County Commission to accept a grant in the amount of \$20,000 for the Irondale Senior Activity Center. (*Wright*)
18. Resolved, That Resolution 2025-R-193 authorizes the allocation of public funds from the 2024-25 Discretionary Fund of Councilor Aaron Sims in the amount of \$1,000.00 and from the 2025-26 Discretionary Fund of Councilor John London in the amount of \$1,000.00 for Fall and Christmas events for District 1 and District 5. (*Sims*)
19. Resolved, That Resolution 2024-R-178-A amends Resolution 2024-R-178 to authorize an increase of \$21,642.70 to the amount of public funds previously allocated to Jefferson County, Alabama for the construction of the "City of Irondale Community Storm Shelter" based upon the results of the statutory bid process completed by Jefferson County on September 30, 2025. (*Mayor Stewart*)

XIII. Regular Agenda

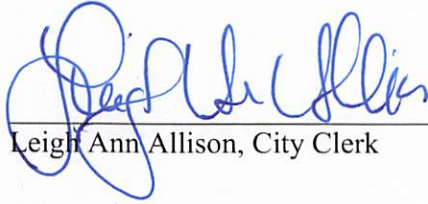
20. *First Reading* – Ordained, That Ordinance 2025-14 amends Appendix A, Zoning, of the *Municipal Code of the City of Irondale, Alabama*. The second reading and public hearing will be held during the regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. (*City/Sims*)

Ordinance 2025-14 had its first reading.

XIV. Executive Session

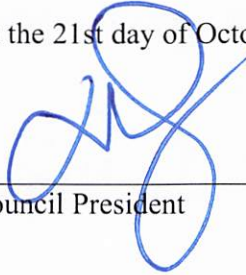
XV. Adjournment

Councilor London made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Councilor Box seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



Leigh Ann Allison, City Clerk

Read and approved on the 21st day of October 2025.



David Spivey, City Council President