

September 15, 2025
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
1705 MAIN STREET
DAPHNE, AL
6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present Council President Ron Scott called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tommie Conaway, Steve Olen, Ron Scott, Ben Hughes, Joel Coleman and Angie Phillips

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Doug Goodlin

Also Present: Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Patrick Dungan, City Attorney; Mayor LeJeune; Chief Brian Gulsby, Police; Chief Tacon, Fire; Emmie Powell, Library; Troy Strunk, City Development; Andy Bobe, City Engineer; Charlie McDavid, Recreation; Ange Baggett, Marketing/Tourism; Adrienne Jones, Planning; Amber Lue, Junior City Councilmember; Maddie Barnes, Junior City Councilmember; Schuyler Smith, Junior City Councilmember; Isabella New, Junior City Councilmember; Lakyn Coggin, Junior City Councilmember; Emery Capstraw, Junior City Councilmember; and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation was given by Pastor Wesley Jenkins, Destiny Church.

3. PRESENTATIONS:

RECOGNITION: Mayor LeJeune presented certificates of appreciation to Beautification Committee members: Mimi Boxx, Ann Hostrander and Emma Harris.

PROMOTION: Chief Tacon and Mayor LeJeune recognized Daphne Fire Fighter, Jason, Lewis, on his recent promotion to Apparatus Engineer.

PROCLAMATION: Mayor LeJeune presented a proclamation to the Daughters of the American' Revolution for *Constitution Week*.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Attorney certified that the Council should enter into an Executive Session concerning matters of pending litigation. He said it should take 15-20 minutes and the Council would return to their meeting after.

City Clerk did a roll call vote.	
Councilwoman Conaway	Aye
Councilman Olen	Aye
Councilman Coleman	Aye
Councilman Goodlin	Absent
Councilman Hughes	Aye
Councilwoman Phillips	Aye
Council President Scott	Aye
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.	

Council entered into Executive Session at 6:15pm. Council returned from Executive Session at 6:31pm.

5. APPROVE THE MINUTES:

The minutes from the September 2, 2025 Special Called Meeting and the September 2, 2025 regular meeting were approved.

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6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is October 20th at 4:30pm.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin was absent. Council President Scott said the minutes from the August meeting were in the packet.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Hughes said the next meeting is October 13th at 4:30pm.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is October 6th at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is October 6th at 5:15pm.

7. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Mrs. Jones said there was no report.

B. Daphne Public School Commission

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting will be September 22nd at Daphne High School at 5:30pm.

C. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is September 18th at 5:30pm.

D. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is September 16th at 4:30pm.

E. Library Board

Councilman Goodlin was absent.

F. Planning Commission

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is September 25th at 5:00pm.

G. Recreation Board

Councilman Hughes said the next meeting is November 12th at 6:00pm.

H. Utility Board

Councilman Coleman said the next meeting is September 24th at 5:00pm and the minutes from the July 30th meeting are in the packet.

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public participation opened at 6:35pm. No one came forward to speak.

Public participation closed at 6:35pm.

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9. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor LeJeune said the Milton Jones Road Extension starts next week. He invited everyone to Community Spirit Day on Saturday from 2:00 – 5:00pm and reminded everyone Brown Bag by the Bay is on Thursdays.

10. **CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:**

City Attorney said there was no report.

11. **DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:**

Chief Tacon, Fire, said Daphne Search and Rescue celebrated their 50th anniversary. She said the new engine arrives this week.

Ange Baggett, Marketing, said the Annual Black and White Ball will have their 25th anniversary soon and said the Sunset Concert Series is starting up.

Emmie Powell, Library, said September is Library Card sign-up month and that the bookmark contest is ongoing.

Bobby Purvis, Public Works, commended Josh Burkett and Daniel Alvarez for their work in the City.

12. **CITY CLERK'S REPORT:**

City Clerk said the Junior Council will have their meeting soon and the Municipal Run-Off is September 23rd.

MOTION by Councilman Hughes to set a public hearing on October 20, 2025 for the annexation of Parker Lane located due Southeast of the Intersection of Rosedown Lane and County Road 13.

**Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

13. **RESOLUTIONS:**

A. **2025 - 63** - Acceptance of Roads and Rights-of-Way: Lavender Lane Extension

B. **2025 - 64** - Appropriation: Bayfront Park Expansion and Improvement Plan - \$8,066,197

C. **2025 - 65** - 2025-R-Hardwood Composite Materials - Negotiated: Bid Award-Overseas Hardwoods Company

D. **2025 - 66** - Appropriation: Engineering - Bridge Replacement on Bayview Drive over D'Olive Creek - \$241,800

MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolution 2025-63. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-63. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolution 2025-64. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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**MOTION by Councilman Coleman to adopt Resolution 2025-64. Seconded by Councilman Olen.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolution 2025-65. Seconded by
Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-65. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolution 2025-66. Seconded by
Councilwoman Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-66. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

14. **2ND READ ORDINANCES:**

2025 – 17 – Ordinance Adopting the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Ordinance 2025-17. Seconded by
Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to adopt Ordinance 2025-17. Seconded by Councilwoman
Conaway.**

**MOTION by Councilman Olen to amend Ordinance 2025-17 to
upgrade the Patrol Officer to Lieutenant as of January 1, 2026; reduce police department operating
costs as follows: reduce patrol training-homeland security - \$1,000, reduce patrol firearms - \$5,000,
reduce patrol k9 expense - \$1,000, reduce CID equipment lease - \$15,000;
Upgrade part time fire training specialist to full time fire training specialist as of January 1, 2026;
remove capital purchase of Ford Interceptor (\$75,000);
Increase Legislative Junior City Council - \$4,500; decrease Legislative training - \$1,500 and decrease
Legislative Council training - \$3,000. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2025-17 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2025-17 AS AMENDED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. **1ST READ ORDINANCES:**

16. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilwoman Phillips thanked the Finance Director, City Staff and Mayor for working on the budget and encouraged everyone to pray for the Country.

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Councilman Hughes congratulated Jason Lewis on his promotion and spoke on the animal shelter's "doggy day out" program.

Councilman Coleman spoke regarding the adopted city budget.

Councilman Olen thanked those who work on the budget.

Councilwoman Conaway thanked the Beautification Committee members and the Daughters' of the American Revolution for representing that evening.

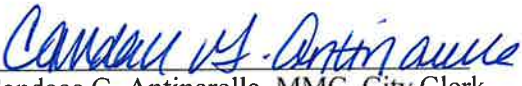
Council President Scott encouraged others to attend Community Spirit Day.

Mayor LeJeune thanked all who worked on the budget and thanked the City Council for all their work.

17. ADJOURN:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:59PM.

Respectfully submitted by,


Candace G. Antinarella, MMC, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Ron Scott, Council President