

May 18, 2026
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 Benjamin Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tommie Conaway, Steve Olen, Oliver Roberts, Stephanie Messinger, Benjamin Hughes and Jennifer Green

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Joel Coleman

Also Present: Patrick Dungan, City Attorney; Mayor LeJeune; Chief Gulsby, Police; Chief Tacon, Fire; Troy Strunk, City Development; Andy Bobe, City Engineer; Charlie McDavid, Recreation; Bobby Purvis, Public Works; Kelli Reid, Finance; Emmie Powell, Library; Adrienne Jones, Planning; Vickie Hinman, Human Resources; Schuyler Smith, Junior Councilmember; Cindy Beaudreau, City Clerk and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation was given by Pastor Wesley Jenkins, Destiny Church.

2. **PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PUBLIC HEARING:**

PROCLAMATION: Mayor LeJeune presented the National Safe Boating Week Proclamation.

PRESENTATION: Mayor LeJeune and Council President Hughes recognized Dr. Barry Booth and presented him a key to the City for his lifetime of service and contributions to the City of Daphne.

PUBLIC HEARING: Adrienne Jones presented on the East Fish River PUD Narrative Modification.

Public hearing opened at 6:28pm.

Austin Lewis, Engineering Design Group, explained the PUD narrative changes.

Councilman Hughes asked about environmental impact and Councilwoman Green asked if other neighborhoods were doing what the engineers were suggesting.

Susan Bracken, 2351 High Plains Drive, Loxley, said things haven't been provided as promised for this narrative and expressed concerns about unknowns within the subdivision.

Judy Naef, 12480 Daya Lane, said she is concerned that the PUD narrative hasn't made any changes to what was proposed previously and requested the Council deny the proposed narrative changes.

Citizen from Daya Lane said she feels concerns aren't being heard or respected. She is concerned about the environment, infrastructure and the accountability from the City.

Andy Bobe, City Engineer, shared how the City handles environmental impact and protection when there is proposed new development.

Public hearing closed at 6:46pm.

PUBLIC HEARING: Adrienne Jones presented on the Italian Village of Daphne PUD Narrative Modification.

Public hearing opened at 6:46pm.

Charlie Trotman, developer, gave an overview of the proposed narrative changes.

No one from the public came forward to speak.

Public hearing closed at 6:53pm.

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PUBLIC HEARING: Adrienne Jones presented on the Jerry Volovecky and Louise Volovecky, Sr. Limited Partnership Pre-Zoning Amendment.

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Charlie Trotman, developer, gave an overview of the proposed narrative changes.

No one from the public came forward to speak.

Public hearing closed at 6:53pm.

PUBLIC HEARING: Adrienne Jones presented on the Jerry Volovecky and Louise Volovecky, Sr. Family Limited Partnership Annexation Petition.

Public hearing opened at 6:46pm.

Charlie Trotman, developer, gave an overview of the proposed narrative changes.

No one from the public came forward to speak.

Public hearing closed at 6:53pm.

3. **APPROVE THE MINUTES:**

The minutes from the April 20, 2026 Regular Meeting were approved.

4. **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said the Committee met earlier and the report will be given at the next Council meeting.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Messinger said the April new Construction and Building Report is in the packet and out of that there were 20 certificates of occupancy, 159 permits issued, 8 new residential home permits, totaling \$51,613.31. She said the minutes from the April meeting are in the packet and the next meeting is June 8th at 5:15pm.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Green said the next meeting is June 8th at 4:30pm and the minutes from the April 13th meeting are in the packet.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Roberts said the next meeting is June 1st at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman was absent.

MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with PCDA Architecture in the amount of \$900,000 for architectural services related to the additions and alterations for the Daphne Recreation and Senior Center. No second was needed. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:**

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Mrs. Jones said there is an open position on the BZA.

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B. Daphne Public School Commission

Councilwoman Messinger said the next meeting is August 24th at 5:30pm in the Jubilee Conference Room and the minutes from the April 2026 meeting are in the packet.

C. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

**MOTION by Councilman Olen to reappoint Monica Kurth to the Downtown Redevelopment Authority for a six-year term (May 2026 – May 2032). Seconded by Councilwoman Messinger.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Olen to reappoint Dayna Oldham to the Downtown Redevelopment Authority for a six-year term (May 2026 – May 2032). Seconded by Councilwoman Messinger.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Olen to appoint Courtney Miller to the Downtown Redevelopment Authority Meeting for a six-year term (May 2026 – May 2032). Seconded by Councilwoman Messinger.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Olen to appoint Leah Conaway-Washington to the Downtown Redevelopment Authority Meeting for a six-year term (May 2026 – May 2032). Seconded by Councilwoman Messinger. Councilwoman Conaway abstained.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is May 21st at 5:30pm.

D. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is May 19th at 4:30pm.

E. Library Board

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is June 11th at 4:30pm.

F. Planning Commission

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is May 28th at 5:00pm.

G. Recreation Board

Councilwoman Green said the next meeting is July 15th at 6:00pm.

H. Utility Board

Councilman Coleman was absent.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public participation opened at 7:01pm.

Victoria Phelps, Worchester Drive, commended the presentation for Dr. Booth and shared about the University of Alabama softball team.

Public participation was closed at 7:02pm.

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7. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor LeJeune congratulated all the high school seniors and invited everyone to "Coffee with the Mayor" on June 2nd at 9am.

8. **CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:**

City Attorney said there was a matter of executive session for the end of the meeting.

9. **DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:**

Chief Tacon, Fire, said May 18 – 22 was Emergency Medical Services week.

Ange Baggett, Marketing and Tourism, updated the Council on the Alabama Semi-Quincentennial events coming up.

Bobby Purvis, Public Works, said continued sidewalk repairs are happening on Whispering Pines.

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

**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to approve the Shadow Baron's Summer Party on June 20, 2026 from 4:00 – 10:00pm with a road closure of Belrose Avenue from Main Street to the rear of the West parking lot on Belrose Avenue. Seconded by Councilwoman Green.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

11. **RESOLUTIONS:**

- A. **2026 - 30** - Resolution Ratifying and Confirming Ordinance 2026-07 (Rezoning) and Acknowledging Additional Property Owner Consent
- B. **2026 - 31** - Acquisition of a Permanent Easement; Authorizing the Acquisition by Eminent Domain; and Authorizing the City Attorney and City Engineer to Take All Actions Necessary to Effectuate Such Proceedings
- C. **2026 - 32** - 2026-G-Lake Forest Drainage Repair at 600 Block Ridgewood Drive
- D. **2026 - 33** - Appropriation: Lake Forest Drainage Repair at 600 Block Ridgewood Drive in the amount of \$450,847 from the General Fund
- E. **2026 - 34** - Acceptance of Roads and Rights-of-Way: Hope Vineyard, Phase 2
- F. **2026 - 35** - Appropriation: Empowered Studio Production Authorization in the amount of \$29,300 from the General Fund

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**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to waive the reading of Resolutions 2026-30, 2026-31, 2026-32, 2026-33, 2026-34 and 2026-35. Seconded by Councilman Olen.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to adopt Resolution 2026-30. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to adopt Resolution 2026-31. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to adopt Resolution 2026-32. Seconded by Councilman Roberts.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to adopt Resolution 2026-33. Seconded by Councilman Roberts.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to adopt Resolution 2026-34. Seconded by Councilman Roberts.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Messinger to adopt Resolution 2026-35. Seconded by Councilwoman Green.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12. 2ND READ ORDINANCES:

13. 1ST READ ORDINANCES:

- A. 2026 - 12 - Ordinance to Amend the Text of the East Fish River PUD Narrative for Property Located Five Hundred Feet Northeast of the Intersection of County Road 64 and Dixon Lane**
- B. 2026 - 13 - Ordinance to Amend the Italian Village of Daphne PUD Narrative for Property Located Northwest of the Intersection of County Road 64 and Alabama Highway 181**
- C. 2026 - 14 - Ordinance to Pre-Zone Property Located Northwest of County Road 64 and Alabama Highway 181**
- D. 2026 - 15 - Ordinance to Annex Property Contiguous to the Corporate Limits of the City of Daphne Located Northwest of County Road 64 and Alabama Highway 181**
- E. 2026 - 16 - Ordinance Amending Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Daphne Relating to Daphne City Park Rules and Regulations**

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14. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Olen said it was great to see so many honor Dr. Booth.

Councilman Roberts echoed Dr. Booth comments and congratulated all who served on the Junior City Council.

Councilwoman Messinger reminded everyone to vote on Tuesday.

Councilwoman Green congratulated Dr. Booth on being recognized and congratulated the Junior City Council seniors.

Mayor LeJeune said it was a great turnout for Dr. Booth and invited the Council to the Public Works' luncheon on Wednesday.

Councilman Hughes reminded everyone Memorial Day is next week.

15. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

City Attorney certified that the Council should enter into an Executive Session to discuss the consideration of real property. He said it should take 5-10 minutes and the Council should have no reason to come back out to vote on anything.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to enter into Executive Session. Seconded by Councilwoman Messinger.

City Clerk called roll.

Councilwoman Conaway	Aye
Councilman Olen	Aye
Councilman Coleman	Absent
Councilman Roberts	Aye
Councilwoman Messinger	Aye
Councilwoman Green	Aye
Council President Hughes	Aye
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.	

16. **ADJOURN:**

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE
AT 7:16PM.

Respectfully submitted by,


Cindy Beaudreau, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Benjamin Hughes, Council President