MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD MARCH 18, 2025

10:00 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 19th Street West, Jasper.

<u>Present</u>: Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III, Councilmembers Jenny Brown Short, Danny Gambrell, Josh Gates, Jennifer W. Smith, Mayor Gary Cowen, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, City Attorney Russ Robertson

Absent:

Invocation:

Assistant Police Chief Daryl Atkins

Pledge of Allegiance:

Police Captain David Mize

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell that the minutes of the regular meeting February 18, 2025, be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider amendments to the agenda. There was one amendment to the agenda: Consider approval of an event permit for Briars, Bluegrass, and BBQ requested by The Cigar Box.

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell that the agenda be approved.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Conduct a public hearing and consider approval of a Retail Beer License, for on or off premise consumption, and a Retail Wine License for on or off premise consumption for Gilbert and Patel Holdings LLC d/b/a Wine Down on Main, located at 520 19th Street West. After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Short to approve a Retail Beer License, for on or off premise consumption, and a Retail Wine License for on or off premise consumption for Gilbert and Patel Holdings LLC d/b/a Wine Down on Main, located at 520 19th Street West.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider a request for approval of overnight travel for Sanitation employees to attend the SWANA Spring Seminar March 31-April 2, 2025, in Orange Beach, AL.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gates, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to approve overnight travel for Sanitation employees to attend the SWANA Spring Seminar March 31-April 2, 2025, in Orange Beach, AL.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Receive report and consider a recommendation for the 2025 Jasper Paving Bid.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to accept the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and award the contract for the 2025 Jasper Paving Bid to Dunn Construction, the lowest responsible bidder.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Introduce Budget Amendment #2024/25-14. The Budget Amendment was introduced by the City Clerk and will be considered for approval at the next regular council meeting.

Consider adoption of a Resolution to approve the 2025 Condrey Pay Plan.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gates to adopt a Resolution to approve the 2025 Condrey Pay Plan.

<u>Vote</u>

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 19

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, authorized Condrey and Associates, Inc. to perform a review of the city's classification and compensation system; and

WHEREAS, Condrey & Associates, Inc. conducted a thorough and fair review of the city's employee positions/grade analysis; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, agree it is in the best interest of city employees to approve the 2025 Condrey Pay Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama that the 2025 Condrey Pay Plan be implemented upon approval by the Jasper Civil Service Board.

ADOPTED this the 18th day of March, 2025.

Willie Moore, Ill, Presiding Officer

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember

Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

Josh Gates, Councilmember

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambiess, City Clerk

Consider authorizing Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement for the purchase of property on Elliott Boulevard for new soccer fields.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement for the purchase of property on Elliott Boulevard for new soccer fields.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates to perform survey and engineering services associated with ATRIP II improvements on US 78 from Fernway Drive to Walston Bridge Rd.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gates to adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with Sain Associates to perform survey and engineering services associated with ATRIP II improvements on US 78 from Fernway Drive to Walston Bridge Rd.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes	
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes	
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes	
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes	
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes	

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 20

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, desires to have an engineering firm perform surveying and engineering services for work related to the ATRIP II project for improvements on US 78 from Walston Bridge Road to Fernway Drive; and

WHEREAS, Sain Associates, Inc. is qualified to do business in the State of Alabama and has agreed to provide surveying and engineering services to the City of Jasper; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper and Sain Associates, Inc. desire to enter into an Agreement under which Sain Associates, Inc. shall provide surveying and engineering services for ATRIP II – Improvements Fiscal Year '25 on US 78 (SA Project #24-0328).

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that Mayor Gary Cowen is hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Jasper and Sain Associates, Inc.

ADOPTED this the 18th day of March, 2025.

Willie Moore, Ill, Presiding Officer

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember

Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

Josh Gates, Councilmember

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of a Resolution to declare a portion of 6th Avenue between 16th and 17th Avenues also be known as Honorary Marilyn Sanders Ave.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt a Resolution to declare a portion of 6th Avenue between 16th and 17th Avenues also be known as Honorary Marilyn Sanders Ave.

Vote

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 21

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that a portion of 6^{th} Avenue between 16^{th} and 17^{th} Avenues, also be known as:

Honorary Marilyn Sanders Avenue

ADOPTED this the 18th day of March 2025.

Willie Moore, Ill, Presiding Officer

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember

Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

Josh Gates, Councilmember

Jennifer W Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of a Resolution to declare a portion of Euclid Avenue also be known as Honorary Lindbergh Farris Blvd, amending a previous Resolution to correct the location.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt a Resolution to declare a portion of Euclid Avenue also be known as Honorary Lindbergh Farris Blvd, amending a previous Resolution to correct the location.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 22

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that a portion of Euclid Avenue, from Crutchfield Blvd to 26th Street E, also be known as:

Honorary Lindbergh Farris Boulevard

This corrects the location of the honorary street named in Resolution Number 2024 – 69.

ADOPTED this the 18th day of March 2025.

Willie Moore, Ill, Presiding Officer

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember

Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

Josh Gates, Councilmember

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Conduct a public hearing and consider vacating a portion of an unnamed alley located between and parallel to Birmingham Avenue and Corona Avenue, extending from 19th Street to 20th Street. After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to approve the vacation of a portion of an unnamed alley located between and parallel to Birmingham Avenue and Corona Avenue, extending from 19th Street to 20th Street.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

(See following pages)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Resolution No. 2025 - 23

Fees: \$14.00 Total: \$14.00 DML Book: 2820 Pages 667-668 Recorded In Above Book and Page Inst Num: 645088 3/19/2025 9:47:33 AM A. Lee Tucker, Judge of Probate Walker County, Alabama

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper has been presented with a proposal to vacate an unnamed alley located between and parallel to Birmingham Avenue and Corona Avenue, extending from 19th Street to 20th Street all within the city limits of the City of Jasper, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper has conducted on this date a hearing on the question of such proposed vacation; and

WHEREAS, having conducted said hearing, and heard from all interested parties who desired to be heard at said hearing, it is the opinion of the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that it is in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Jasper that such portions of said roads be closed and vacated;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, as follows:

1). The City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, does hereby declare that the following unnamed alley is vacated:

The unnamed alley located between and parallel to Birmingham Avenue and Corona Avenue South, extending from 19th Street to 20th Street

- 2). The names of all owners of abutting property to said portions of said roads vacated herein are as follows:
- 3). The names of all owners who are cut off from access as the result of this vacation are as follows:

None.

- 4). In vacating these portions of the aforesaid streets, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, specifically finds that it is in the interest of the public that such portions of such streets be vacated.
- 5). This Resolution shall, after execution, be filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Walker County, Alabama.
- 6). Notice and a copy of this Resolution shall be published once in the <u>Daily Mountain</u> <u>Eagle</u> no later than fourteen (14) days following its adoption.

all such notice of the above-referenced hearing as is required by the laws of the State of Alabama.

march Adopted and approved this the 18 day of February, 2025.

> CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

By: Hon. Willie Moore

Council Presiding Officer

Hon/Jennifer Smith

Ву: Hon. Danny Gambrell

By:

Hon. Jenny Brown Short

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

Fees: \$14.00 Total: \$14.00

DML Book: 2820 Pages 667-668 Recorded In Above Book and Page

Inst Num: 645088

3/19/2025 9:47:33 AM

A. Lee Tucker, Judge of Probate

Walker County, Alabama

Conduct a public hearing and consider vacating a portion of an unnamed alley located between and parallel to Sixth Avenue South and Seventh Avenue South, extending from 17th Street to 18th Street. After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to approve the vacation of a portion of an unnamed alley located between and parallel to Sixth Avenue South and Seventh Avenue South, extending from 17th Street to 18th Street.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

(See following pages)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Resolution No. 2025 - 24

Fees: \$14.00 Total: \$14.00 DML Book: 2820 Pages 665-666 Recorded In Above Book and Page Inst Num: 645087 3/19/2025 9:45:29 AM A. Lee Tucker, Judge of Probate Walker County, Alabama

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper has been presented with a proposal to vacate an unnamed alley located between and parallel to Sixth Avenue South and Seventh Avenue South, extending from 17th Street to 18th Street all within the city limits of the City of Jasper, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper has conducted on this date a hearing on the question of such proposed vacation; and

WHEREAS, having conducted said hearing, and heard from all interested parties who desired to be heard at said hearing, it is the opinion of the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that it is in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Jasper that such portions of said roads be closed and vacated;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, as follows:

1). The City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, does hereby declare that the following unnamed alley is vacated:

The unnamed alley located between and parallel to Sixth Avenue South and Seventh Avenue South, extending from 17th Street to 18th Street

- 2). The names of all owners of abutting property to said portions of said roads vacated herein are as follows:
- 3). The names of all owners who are cut off from access as the result of this vacation are as follows:

None.

- 4). In vacating these portions of the aforesaid streets, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, specifically finds that it is in the interest of the public that such portions of such streets be vacated.
- 5). This Resolution shall, after execution, be filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Walker County, Alabama.
- 6). Notice and a copy of this Resolution shall be published once in the <u>Daily Mountain</u> Eagle no later than fourteen (14) days following its adoption.

all such notice of the above-referenced hearing as is required by the laws of the State of Alabama.

Adopted and approved this the 18th day of February, 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Hon. Willie Moore

Council Presiding Officer

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∖Hon. Jenny Brown Short

ATTEST:

By: Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

Fees: \$14.00 Total: \$14.00

DML Book: 2820 Pages 665-666 Recorded In Above Book and Page

Inst Num: 645087 3/19/2025 9:45:29 AM

A. Lee Tucker, Judge of Probate

Walker County, Alabama

Consider adoption of an Ordinance rezoning a 1 acre+- parcel of land located at TBD Gamble Ave, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-05-15-2-204-015.000) from the B-T (Business Transition) Zoning District to the R-3 (Affordable Housing) Zoning District to allow for the placement of a mobile home on the property. (District 5)

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Short to rezone a 1 acre+- parcel of land located at TBD Gamble Ave, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-05-15-2-204-015.000) from the B-T (Business Transition) Zoning District to the R-3 (Affordable Housing) Zoning District to allow for the placement of a mobile home on the property.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

(See following pages)

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Ordinance No. 2025 – 05

TO AMEND THE CITY OF JASPER ZONING ORDINANCE

Be it hereby Ordained by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, as follows:

Section 1. That the Jasper Zoning Map as described in Article II, Sections 30-32, of the Jasper Zoning Ordinance, which was adopted by the City Council of the City of Jasper on or about January 2, 1990, and amended, inter alia, and further amended April 1, 2003, be and is hereby amended by the rezoning or redistricting of the parcel(s) of land hereinafter described so as to change such parcel(s) from one class or district to another class or district, to wit:

From B-T (Business Transition) to R-3 (Affordable Housing District) Zoning District.

Section 2. Said parcel is described as follows:

Lot 7 & 8 Block 550, City of Jasper.

Describes a parcel of land located at TBD Gamble Ave. Parcel #64-17-05-15-2-204-015.000.

Section 3. This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication in the manner required by law.

ADOPTED this the 18 day of March, 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Hon. Willie Moore 111

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

Hon. Gary Cowen

Mayor

Consider adoption of an event permit for Briars, Bluegrass, and BBQ requested by The Cigar Box to be held on 19th Street W in front of The Cigar Box on April 19, 2025, with a requested blockage on 19th Street W from 4th Ave to 5th Ave.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Gates to approve an event permit for Briars, Bluegrass, and BBQ requested by The Cigar Box to be held on 19^{th} Street W in front of The Cigar Box on April 19, 2025, with a requested blockage on 19^{th} Street W from 4^{th} Ave to 5^{th} Ave.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

Comments: Mayor Cowen thanked the City Clerk and Council for approving the 2025 Condrey Pay Plan.

Police Chief Poe thanked the Mayor and Council for approving the pay plan.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gates, seconded by Councilmember Short to adjourn the meeting.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Josh Gates	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III	Yes

10:18 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

While Moore, III, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator