

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD MARCH 21, 2023**

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

Present: Presiding Officer Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmembers Jenny Brown Short, Danny Gambrell, Gary Cowen, and Willie Moore, III, Mayor David P. O'Mary, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, City Attorney Russell B. Robertson

Absent:

Invocation Police Captain Justin Tidwell

Pledge of Allegiance: Fire Operations Chief Chris Uptain

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Cowen that the minutes of the regular meeting March 7, 2023, be approved.

Vote

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

Consider amendments to the agenda. There were no amendments to the agenda.

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore that the agenda be approved.

Vote

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

Consider approval of event permits:

- a) March for Justice by Justice for Tony, March 25, 2023, around the County Courthouse, on 2nd and 3rd Avenues and 18th Street, to the County Jail.
- b) Easter Egg Hunt by Hope House Church, April 1, 2023, at Gamble Park.
- c) 2nd Birthday Party by Kelci Jones, April 16, 2023, at Gamble Park.
- d) Willow Project Recital/Fun Day by The Willow Project, April 14, 2023, at Gamble Park.
- e) Jasper Area Family Services Block Party by Jasper Area Family Services, May 6, 2023, on West Kilgore Street.
- f) Praise & Worship by Fairview Church, May 13, 2023, at the Courthouse Square with blockages on portions of 19th Street, 2nd, and 3rd Avenues.
- g) Art in the Park by Walker County Arts Alliance, May 13, 2023, at Gamble Park.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to approve event permits for March for Justice, Easter Egg Hunt, 2nd Birthday Party, Willow Project Recital/Fun Day, Jasper Area Family Services Block Party, Praise & Worship, and Art in the Park.

Vote

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

Consider a request for approval of travel for Sanitation personnel to attend a SWANA Landfill Operator course April 2 – 5, 2023, in Orange Beach, AL.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to approve travel for Sanitation personnel to attend a SWANA Landfill Operator course April 2 – 5, 2023, in Orange Beach, AL.

Vote

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

Consider adoption of Budget Amendment #2022/2023-10.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt Budget Amendment #2022/2023-10.

Vote

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

Introduce Budget Amendment #2022/2023-11. The budget amendment was introduced by the City Clerk and will be considered at the next council meeting.

Consider adoption of a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into a supplemental agreement with ALDOT for access management improvements, including turn lanes on SR-69 (US-78A) at Jones Dairy Road (Project #ATRP2-64-2022-291).

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into a supplemental agreement with ALDOT for access management improvements, including turn lanes on SR-69 (US-78A) at Jones Dairy Road (Project #ATRP2-64-2022-291).

Vote

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

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2023 – 19

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

That the City enter into an agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation relating to a project for:

Access management improvements, including turn lanes on SR-69 (US-78A) at Jones Dairy Rd.; Project# ATRP2-64-2022-291; CPMS Ref# 100074451, 100076658 and 100075028.

Which agreement is before this Council, and that the agreement be executed in the name of the City, by the Mayor for and on its behalf and that it be attested by the City Clerk and the official seal of the City be affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the completion of the execution of the agreement by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City.

I, the undersigned qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Jasper, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution lawfully passed and adopted by the City named therein, at a regular meeting of such Council held on the 21st day of March, 2023, and that such resolution is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

ATTESTED:

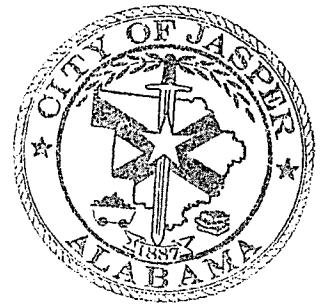
[Signature]
City Clerk

[Signature]
Mayor

21st day of March, 2023, and that such resolution is of record in the Minute Book of the City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City on this 21 day of March, 2023.

[Signature]
City Clerk



(AFFIX SEAL)

Consider adoption of a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into an agreement with Jasper Area Entertainment Corporation for Foothills Festival, September 15-16, 2023.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Short to adopt a Resolution to allow Mayor O'Mary to enter into an agreement with Jasper Area Entertainment Corporation for Foothills Festival, September 15-16, 2023.

Vote

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

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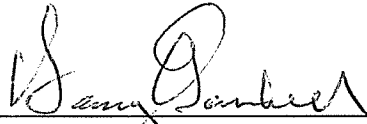
RESOLUTION NO: 2023 - 20

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, wishes to provide support to Jasper Area Entertainment Corp to promote the downtown area and to highlight various artists while providing entertainment for the citizens of Jasper; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper desires to participate in the continued iterations of the festival as a sponsor and shall provide Seventy-Five Thousand and no/100 Dollars (\$75,000.00) to Jasper Area Entertainment for the 2023 Foothills Festival;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor David P. O'Mary is authorized to enter into an agreement with Jasper Area Entertainment Corp for the 2023 Foothills Festival.

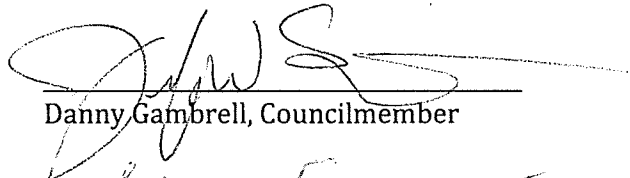
ADOPTED this the 21st day of March, 2023.



Jennifer W. Smith, Presiding Officer




Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember



Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

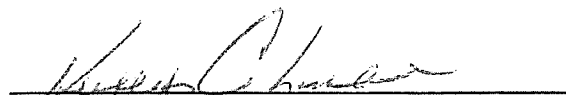


Gary Cowen, Councilmember



Willie Moore, III, Councilmember

ATTEST:



Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of a Resolution to set a public hearing on consideration of the application to provide economic development assistance for Jasper Development.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Cowen to adopt a Resolution to set a public hearing date of April 4, 2023, on consideration of the application to provide economic development assistance for Jasper Development.

Vote

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

(See following pages)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2023 – 21

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

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, is authorized by §94.01 of the Constitution of Alabama (2022 Recomp.), and has previously adopted Ordinance 2011-015, providing for the granting of certain economic development incentives to qualified developers upon proper application; and

WHEREAS, the City has received an application for such economic development assistance from Overland Development, LLC, relative to a proposed improvement which will have a development cost in excess of Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000.00) and which will involve the creation of an estimated sixty-eight (68) jobs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, is to adopt a resolution setting a public meeting and hearing on the application pursuant to § 17-25(6), Code of Ordinances of the City of Jasper, Alabama;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,

1). That there is scheduled, for the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, on April 4, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., a public meeting and hearing concerning the Application for Economic Development Assistance submitted on behalf of Overland Development, LLC, for consideration of adoption of a Resolution to grant such assistance to said developer;

2). That the City Clerk shall cause Notice of such meeting to be published in the Daily Mountain Eagle in accordance with § 94.01, Constitution of Alabama (1901) and Ordinance 2011-015, which is codified as § 17-25(6), Code of Ordinances of the City of Jasper, Alabama.

WHEREUNTO, we have set our hands and seals on this the 21st day of March, 2023.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA



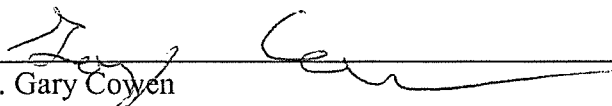
Hon. Jennifer W. Smith, Council Presiding Officer



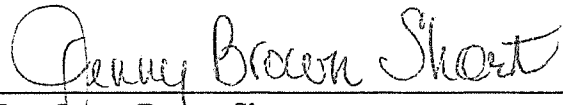
Hon. Willie Moore



Hon. Danny Gambrell

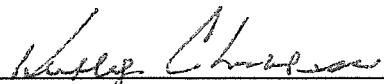


Hon. Gary Cowen



Hon. Jenny Brown Short

ATTEST:



Hon. Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of a Resolution to allow Mayor O’Mary to enter into an agreement with Walker County Humane Society for use of a van declared as property unneeded.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to allow Mayor O’Mary to enter into an agreement with Walker County Humane Society for use of a van declared as property unneeded.

Vote

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

(See following pages)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2023-22
**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, desires to further the goals of its overall animal control program by providing a van for the use of the Walker County Humane Society for the transport of animals within and without the City of Jasper; and

WHEREAS, § 11-43-56, Code of Alabama (1975), authorizes the Council to dispose of unneeded personal property; and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that there is available for purchase by the City of Jasper, Alabama, and which would be of assistance to the Walker County Humane Society in its efforts to assist the City of Jasper, Alabama, in its animal control program; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, to obtain the best results for the City of Jasper and its citizens with regard to the provision of the van for the use of the Walker County Humane Society (WCHS);

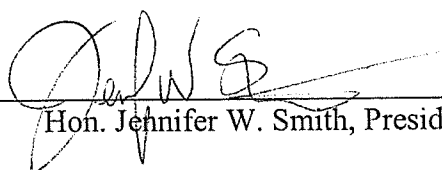
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, as follows:

- 1). The City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, approves the purchase of a 2013 Ford E150 van which is used and suitable for the purposes of the WCHS;
- 2). The City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, further declares such property to be unneeded for municipal purposes;
- 3). The City Council authorizes the transfer of the van from the City of Jasper to the Walker County Humane Society for its use in transporting animals and other uses to which the van may be put by the WCHS;
- 4). The City Council of the City of Jasper authorizes Hon. David P. O'Mary, Mayor of the City of Jasper, and Hon. Kathy Chambless, City Clerk, to execute any and all documents and make any and all necessary appropriations or other actions to give effect to the provisions of this Resolution.

WHEREUNTO, we have set our hands and seals on this the 7th day of March, 2023.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER,
ALABAMA

By: _____


Hon. Jennifer W. Smith, Presiding Officer

By: Jenny Brown Short
Hon. Jenny Brown Short

By: Gary Cowen
Hon. Gary Cowen

By: Willie Moore III
Hon. Willie Moore, III

By: Danny Gambrell
Hon. Danny Gambrell

ATTEST:

By: Kathy Chambless
Hon. Kathy Chambless
City Clerk

Comments: Mayor shared that the Walker County Humane Society sends their thanks for the conveyance of the van for their use.

Councilmember Moore thanked Brent McCarver for his help with the SIAC softball tournament recently, as well as the city maintenance crew, recreation department, Stacy Smothers at the Natatorium, as well as local businesses for their support.

Presiding Officer Smith shared second grader and district four resident Ayana Dickerson's worksheet from Memorial Park Elementary.

Councilmember Short shared second grader and district one resident Lydia Boylen's worksheet from Memorial Park Elementary.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

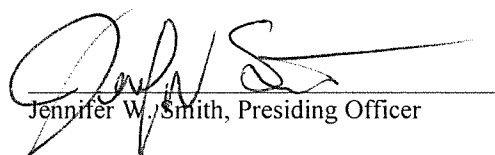
Moved by Councilmember Cowen, seconded by Councilmember Short to adjourn the meeting.

Vote

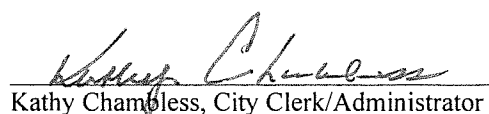
Councilmember Jenny Brown Short	Yes
Councilmember Danny Gambrell	Yes
Councilmember Gary Cowen	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore, III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jennifer W. Smith	Yes

10:20 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.

A P P R O V E D:


Jennifer W. Smith, Presiding Officer

A T T E S T:


Kathy Chambliss, City Clerk/Administrator

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