

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD AUGUST 19, 2025**

10:00 a.m. - The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Willie Moore, III in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 121 17th Street West, Jasper.

Present: Presiding Officer Willie Moore III, Councilmembers Jenny Brown Short, Danny Gambrell, and Josh Gates, Mayor Gary Cowen, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, and City Attorney Russ Robertson

Absent: Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith

Invocation: Police Chief J.C. Poe

Pledge of Allegiance: Police Captain David Mize

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gates, seconded by Councilmember Short that the minutes of the regular meeting August 5, 2025, be approved.

Vote

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

Consider amendments to the agenda. There were no amendments.

Consider approval of the agenda.

Motion

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

Vote

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

Consider approval of an event permit for the 4th Annual Angel Baby 5k requested by Candice Waldrop to be held at the Courthouse Square and around downtown Jasper on August 23, 2025, with a requested blockage of 19th Street from 2nd to 3rd Ave.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gates to approve an event permit for the 4th Annual Angel Baby 5k requested by Candice Waldrop to be held at the Courthouse Square and around downtown Jasper on August 23, 2025, with a requested blockage of 19th Street from 2nd to 3rd Ave.

Vote

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

Consider a request for permission to renew the following contracts under the same terms and pricing.

- a) **Hauling Services**
- b) **Crushed Stone**
- c) **Physician Services**

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to renew the contracts for hauling services, crushed stone, and physician services with Wiregrass Construction Company, Wiregrass Construction Company, and After Hours Clinic, Inc., respectively.

Vote

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

(See following pages)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 – 64

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama has previously awarded the contract for Hauling Service, which contained an option to renew at the same terms,

AND, WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama is desirous of exercising the option to renew with Wiregrass Construction Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract be renewed at the same terms as previously stated.

ADOPTED THIS THE 19th **DAY OF** August, 2025.

Willie Moten
James B. Short
John
Douglas Lambrell

ATTEST:

Keshia Charles

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 – 65

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama has previously awarded the contract for Crushed Stone, which contained an option to renew at the same terms,

AND, WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama is desirous of exercising the option to renew with Wiregrass Construction Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract be renewed at the same terms as previously stated.

ADOPTED THIS THE 19th DAY OF August, 2025.

Willie Morris
Jeanne Brown Short
Jeff
Sam Gambrell

ATTEST:

Kathy Chublas

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 – 66

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama has previously awarded the contract for Physician Services, which contained an option to renew at the same terms,

AND, WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama is desirous of exercising the option to renew with AfterHours Clinic, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract be renewed at the same terms as previously stated.

ADOPTED THIS THE 19th **DAY OF** August, 2025.

Willie Morris
Jerry Brown Short
Asst
Danny Gaudin

ATTEST:

Kenneth Chandler

Consider adoption of a resolution to declare a 1997 Ford F150 as surplus property unneeded.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Gates to adopt a resolution to declare a 1997 Ford F150 as surplus property unneeded.

Vote

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

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 – 67

WHEREAS, over the past few years, a 1997 Ford F150 has become obsolete due to the purchase of newer items and age; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper Fire Department is requesting authorization to sell, recycle, donate, and/or dispose of these items; using its discretion to determine manner of removal, resale value and the most effective marketplace for sale; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper Fire Department is requesting authorization to sell, recycle, donate, and/or dispose of the following unneeded/surplus items:

1997 FORD F150 (1FTDX1761VND40538)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of City of Jasper, Alabama authorizes the City Purchasing Agent to sell, recycle, donate, and/or dispose of these items; using its discretion to determine manner of removal, resale value and the most effective marketplace for sale.

ADOPTED THIS THE 19th DAY OF August, 2025.

Walter Moore
Jenny Brown Short
JS
Dennis Gambrell

ATTEST:

Kathryn Charles

Consider a request for use of the Natatorium without charge for an autism seminar and swimming lesson to be held August 29, 2025, which is open to the public.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gates to allow for the use of the Natatorium without charge for an autism seminar and swimming lesson to be held August 29, 2025, which is open to the public.

Vote

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

Consider adoption of a resolution to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with Jasper City Schools related to School Resource Officers.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gates, seconded by Councilmember Short to adopt a resolution to authorize Mayor Cowen to enter into an agreement with Jasper City Schools related to School Resource Officers.

Vote

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

(See following page)


RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 68

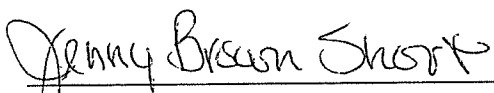
WHEREAS, the City of Jasper, Alabama, through the Jasper Police Department, provides School Resource Officers (SRO) for Jasper City Schools; and

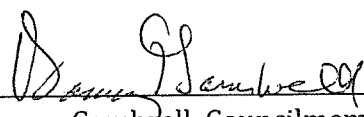
WHEREAS, the City of Jasper, Alabama, and Jasper City Schools desire to enter into an agreement to provide full-time, certified, and trained SROs to schools within the Jasper City School District in order to ensure a safe and secure educational environment.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, that Mayor Gary Cowen is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Jasper City Schools to provide full-time, certified, and trained Jasper Police Department SROs to schools within the Jasper City School District.


ADOPTED this the 19th day of August 2025.


Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

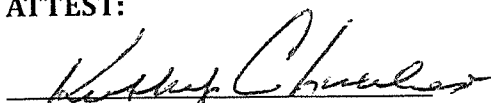

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember


Danny Gambrell, Councilmember


Josh Gates, Councilmember


Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:


Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Introduce Budget Amendment #2024/2025-23 to provide funds for sanitation dumpsters, scales and installation, and travel to the Alabama Recycling Coalition Conference. The Budget Amendment was introduced by the City Clerk and will be considered for approval at the next regular council meeting.

Consider authorizing the closure of a portion of 2nd Avenue, between 17th and 18th Streets on August 26, 2025, from 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm to enable the City Election Manager to utilize the City Hall Council Chambers as the location for the return of election ballots and reporting of election returns for the 2025 municipal election.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Short to authorize the closure of a portion of 2nd Avenue, between 17th and 18th Streets on August 26, 2025, from 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm to enable the City Election Manager to utilize the City Hall Council Chambers as the location for the return of election ballots and reporting of election returns for the 2025 municipal election.

Vote

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

Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of a Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement. After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt a Resolution to set cost for Nuisance Abatement.

Vote

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

(See following pages)


RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 69

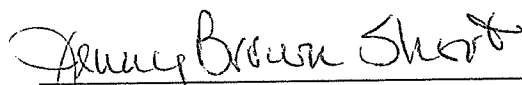
WHEREAS, the Jasper City Council has held a cost hearing on the abatement of nuisances on the following properties as presented in Exhibit "Cost Hearing Report 8/19/25" attached and made a part of this resolution;


WHEREAS, the Jasper City Council has affixed the costs associated with and incurred by the City of Jasper, Alabama as presented in Exhibit "Cost Hearing Report 8/19/25" attached and made a part of this resolution.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jasper City Council hereby adopts and approves the setting of said cost of abatement of said properties.

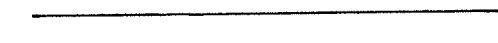
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Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

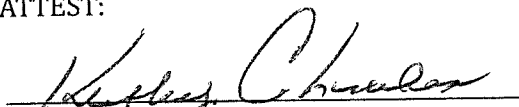

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember


Danny Gambrell, Councilmember


Josh Gates, Councilmember


Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:


Kathy Chambliss, City Clerk

COST HEARING REPORT
8/19/2025

2405 Central Ave (Violet Brock & Zandra Brock), District 1

\$14,784.00	Removal of Unsafe Structure
<u>25.00</u>	Administrative Fees
\$14,809.00	Total

Consider adoption of a resolution for nuisance abatement for unsafe structures.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gates, seconded by Councilmember Short to adopt a resolution for nuisance abatement for unsafe structures.

Vote

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

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO: 2025 - 70

WHEREAS, the Jasper City Council finds a nuisance for unsafe structure exists at:


1. 904 Robinson St, Mrs. A.H. Shumaker, District 1
2. 905 N Delaware Ave, Andrew Development Co Inc, District 1
3. 610 23rd St W, William & Margaret Shepherd & Jerry & Mary Shepherd, District 5

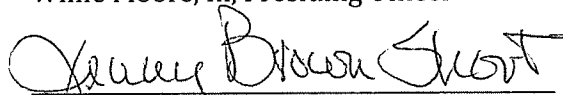
pursuant to ORD. 2001-718-A; and

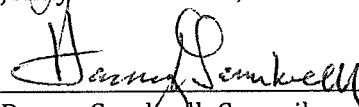
WHEREAS, the Jasper City Council finds that the abatement of said nuisances should be taken.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Jasper City Council hereby approves the abatement of said nuisances.

DONE and ADOPTED this the 19th day of August 2025.


Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

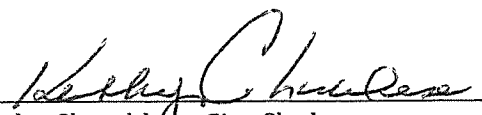

Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember


Danny Gambrell, Councilmember


Josh Gates, Councilmember

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:


Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of a resolution for nuisance abatement for grass/weeds.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Gambrell, seconded by Councilmember Short to adopt a resolution for nuisance abatement for grass/weeds.

Vote

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

(See following page)

RESOLUTION NO: 2025 - 71

WHEREAS, the Jasper City Council finds a nuisance for grass/weeds exists at:

1. 1107 21st St W, David L & Mary L Tucker, District 5

pursuant to ORD. 2001-718-A; and

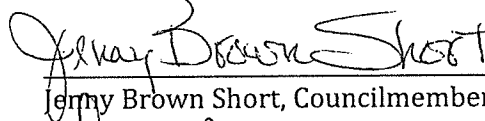
WHEREAS, the Jasper City Council finds that the abatement of said nuisances should be taken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jasper City Council hereby approves the abatement of said nuisances.

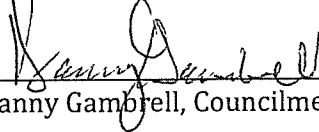
DONE and ADOPTED this the 19th day of August 2025.



Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer



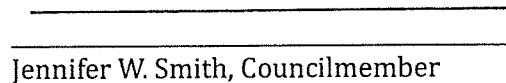
Jenny Brown Short, Councilmember



Danny Gambrell, Councilmember

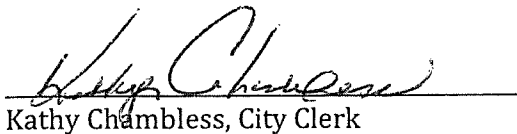


Josh Gates, Councilmember



Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

ATTEST:



Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

Consider adoption of an agreement related to the use of Young Jewelers parking lot for vendors during Foothills Festival.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gates to adopt an agreement related to the use of Young Jewelers parking lot for vendors during Foothills Festival.

Vote

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

Consider adoption of an ordinance to provide handicapped accessible parking in the lot located directly behind the City Hall Annex for Foothills Festival. City Attorney Russ Robertson determined that based on city code, no agreement is necessary as long as handicapped parking is marked or designated as such. No action was taken.

Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance rezoning 50 separate parcels from the MR (Municipal Reserve) Zoning District to the R-1 (Single Family Residence), B-T (Transition Business), B-2 (Community Service), B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor), M-2 (Heavy Industrial), M-3 (Industrial Park) or AG (Agricultural) Zoning District. After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Short, seconded by Councilmember Gambrell to adopt an ordinance rezoning 50 separate parcels from the MR (Municipal Reserve) Zoning District to the R-1 (Single Family Residence), B-T (Transition Business), B-2 (Community Service), B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor), M-2 (Heavy Industrial), M-3 (Industrial Park) or AG (Agricultural) Zoning District.

Vote

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

(See following pages)

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

Ordinance No.: 2025 – 11

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 MR (Municipal Reserve) to R-1 (Single Family Residence), B-T (Transition Business), B-2 (Community Service), B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor), M-2 (Heavy Industrial), M-3 (Industrial Park) or AG (Agricultural) Zoning District.

Section 2. Said parcels are described as follows:

Parcels # 64-10-09-29-0-000-010.021, 64-10-09-30-0-000-013.000, 64-10-09-32-0-001-019.000, 64-10-09-29-0-000-090.000, 64-10-09-29-0-000-080.000, 64-10-09-29-0-000-121.000, 64-10-09-29-0-000-122.000, 64-10-09-29-0-000-132.000, 64-10-09-29-0-000-130.000, 64-10-09-29-0-000-107.000, 64-10-09-32-0-001-010.005, 64-10-09-29-0-000-151.008, 64-10-08-28-0-000-098.000, 64-10-09-32-0-001-030.005, 64-10-09-32-0-001-048.001, 64-10-09-32-0-001-048.000, 64-10-09-32-0-001-053.002, 64-10-09-32-0-001-053.001, 64-10-09-32-0-001-056.000, 64-17-03-05-1-000-006.000, 64-10-08-34-0-001-022.004, 64-10-07-36-0-001-011.004, 64-11-09-31-0-001-022.000, 64-11-09-31-0-001-021.001, 64-17-02-03-2-000-020.001, 64-18-01-01-0-000-038.000, 64-18-01-01-0-000-039.000, 64-18-01-12-0-000-006.010, 64-18-01-12-0-000-006.003, 64-18-01-12-0-000-021.007, 64-18-01-12-0-000-021.003, 64-17-03-07-4-000-005.001, 64-17-03-07-4-000-005.002, 64-17-03-07-4-000-006.001, 64-17-03-07-4-000-007.001, 64-17-04-19-0-001-003.000, 64-17-04-19-0-001-015.000, 64-17-04-19-0-001-014.000, 64-17-05-22-1-000-005.001, 64-17-05-22-1-000-005.000, 64-17-05-22-1-000-010.000, 64-17-05-22-1-000-013.000, 64-17-01-12-4-000-007.003, 64-17-01-12-4-000-007.004, 64-17-01-01-3-000-003.007, 64-17-01-01-3-000-003.008, 64-17-01-01-3-000-003.005, 64-17-01-01-3-000-003.006, 64-17-01-01-3-000-003.003, 64-17-01-01-3-000-003.013

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

ADOPTED this the 19th day of August, 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF JASPER, ALABAMA

By: Willie Moore III

Hon. Willie Moore III

Presiding Officer

APPROVED/VETO

ATTEST:

By: Gary Cowen

Hon. Gary Cowen

Mayor

By: Kathy Chambless

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

Introduce an ordinance to annex a parcel of land located at 480 Moon Road. (District 4) The ordinance was introduced by the Building Inspector and will be considered at the next regular meeting.

Introduce an ordinance to amend the landfill charges. The City Attorney introduced the ordinance to be considered at a subsequent council meeting.

Introduce an ordinance to levy a local excise tax on the sale of consumable vapor products. The City Clerk introduced the ordinance to be considered at a subsequent council meeting.

Introduce an ordinance to prohibit sleeping on sidewalks, streets, alleys, and entrances and/or doorways. The City Attorney introduced the ordinance to be considered at a subsequent council meeting.

Introduce an ordinance to prohibit the use of shopping carts on city streets. The City Attorney introduced the ordinance to be considered at a subsequent council meeting.

Presiding Officer Moore announced that the next regular council meeting on September 2, 2025, will begin at 12:00 p.m.

Comments: Mayor Cowen reminded the council that the budget is being worked on for the next fiscal year and it will soon be ready for their review. He also commented that the ordinances introduced to prohibit sleeping on sidewalks, streets, and alleys and to prohibit the use of or possession of shopping carts on city streets have been discussed at the work session and come as a result of receiving numerous concerns from citizens regarding safety issues.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

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

Vote

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

10:18 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Willie Moore, III", written over a horizontal line.

Willie Moore, III, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kathy Chambliss", written over a horizontal line.

Kathy Chambliss, City Clerk/Administrator

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