MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA, HELD NOVEMBER 4, 2025

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

<u>Present:</u> Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short, Councilmembers Lincoln Moody, Sam Watts, Jennifer W. Smith, and Willie Moore III, Mayor Josh Gates, City Clerk/Administrator Kathy Chambless, and City Attorney Russ Robertson

Absent:

Invocation:

Building Inspector Adam Bolton

Pledge of Allegiance:

Fire Chief Chris Uptain

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moody that the minutes of the regular meeting held October 21, 2025, be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Watts, seconded by Councilmember Moody that the minutes of the organizational meeting held November 3, 2025, be approved.

Vote

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Absent
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider amendments to the agenda. There were no amendments.

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 96

WHEREAS, over the past few years, a 1994 Ford Dump Truck (1FDXF70J0SYA65060) from the Sanitation Department has become obsolete due to the purchase of newer items and age; and

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

1994 Ford Dump Truck

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.

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Consider adoption of Budget Amendment #2025/2026-03 for the cost of hiring a Community and Economic Development Director.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Watts, seconded by Councilmember Moody to adopt Budget Amendment #2025/2026-03 for the cost of hiring a Community and Economic Development Director.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider adoption of Budget Amendment #2025/2026-04 by unanimous consent to provide funding for a 1-ton flatbed truck for Park Maintenance and a used dump truck for Sanitation.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore that the rules be suspended and unanimous consent be given for immediate consideration of and action on said budget amendment.

Vote

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Watts, seconded by Councilmember Moody to adopt Budget Amendment #2025/2026-04 to provide funding for a 1-ton flatbed truck for Park Maintenance and a used dump truck for Sanitation.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

Consider adoption of a resolution to ratify the appointment of depositories of funds.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt a resolution to ratify the appointment of depositories of funds.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Lincoln Moody		Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts		Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith		Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III		Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short		Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 97

A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPOSITORIES OF FUNDS OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA, that the depositories of funds of the City of Jasper, Alabama be ratified by the current City Council, these depositories being Synovus Bank, Pinnacle Bank, Regions Bank, Bank of Walker County, Wells Fargo, and Truist Bank, and that all Councilmembers, Mayor, and City Clerk/Treasurer are authorized to sign checks on the above stated financial institutions.

ADOPTED this the 4th day of November 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Jenny Brown Short, Presiding Officer

Lincoln Moody, Councilmember

Sam Watts, Councilmember

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

Willie Moore III, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

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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 Watts, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt a resolution to set cost for nuisance abatement

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Lincoln Moody		Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts		Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith		Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III		Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short		Yes

RESOLUTION NO.: 2025 - 98

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 11/4/25" attached and made a part of this resolution; and

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 11/4/25" 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.

ADOPTED this the 4th day of November 2025.

enny Brown Short, Presiding Officer

Lincoln Moody, Councilmember

Sam Watts, Councilmember

Jennifer W. Smith, Councilmember

Willie Moore III, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

COST HEARING REPORT 11/4/2025

2711 Corona Ave (Angelita Jackson), District 5

\$ 150.00 Removal of Overgrown Grass and Weeds

<u>25.00</u> Administrative Fees

\$175.00 Total

Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance rezoning a 1.3 acre+- parcel of land located at 1500 Hwy 69 S, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-04-17-4-000-015.000) from the B-1 (Neighborhood Center) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential. (District 4) After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Watts to adopt an ordinance rezoning a 1.3 acre+- parcel of land located at 1500 Hwy 69 S, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-04-17-4-000-015.000) from the B-1 (Neighborhood Center) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential.

Vote

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA Ordinance No. 2025 - 25 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-1 (Neighborhood Center District) to B-T (Transition Business District) Zoning District.

Section 2. Said parcel is described as follows:

PO NWSE 17-14-7 COM NW COR E ON N LINE 186.66 TO BEG CONT E ON N LINE 93.33 S 585 TO NW ROW BANKHEAD HWY SW ON ROW 100 N 621 TO POB, City of Jasper.

Describes a parcel of land located at 1500 Hwy 69 South. Parcel #64-17-04-17-4-000-015.000.

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

ADOPTED this the 4th day of November 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Hon. Yenny Brown Short

Presiding Officer

APPROVED/VETO

Hon. Josh Gates

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance rezoning a 1.17 acre+- parcel of land located at 4402 Cain Rd, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-012.000) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential. (District 1) After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Watts, seconded by Councilmember Moody to adopt an ordinance rezoning a 1.17 acre+- parcel of land located at 4402 Cain Rd, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-012.000) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential.

Vote

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA Ordinance No. 2025 - 26 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-4 (I-22 Business Corridor District) to B-T (Transition Business District)
Zoning District.

Section 2. Said parcel is described as follows:

PT NW NW BEG 220 W OF NE COR S 145 W 360 N 145 E TO POB 26-14-7.

Describes a parcel of land located at 4402 Cain Rd. Parcel #64-17-07-26-0-001-012.000.

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

ADOPTED this the 4th day of November 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Hon Jenny Brown Short

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

Hon. Josh Gates

Mayor

Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance rezoning a .62 acre+- parcel of land located at 4406 Cain Rd, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-016.000) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential. (District 1) After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adopt an ordinance rezoning a .62 acre+- parcel of land located at 4406 Cain Rd, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-016.000) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

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

Ordinance No. 2025 - 27

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-4 (I-22 Business Corridor District) to B-T (Transition Business District)
Zoning District.

Section 2. Said parcel is described as follows:

P/O NW NW 26-14-7 BEG 600 W OF NE COR TH W 210 S 210 E 210 N 210 TO POB.

Describes a parcel of land located at 4406 Cain Rd. Parcel #64-17-07-26-0-001-016.000.

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

ADOPTED this the 4th day of November 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Hoh. Jenny Brown Short

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

Hon. Josh Gates

Mayor

Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance rezoning a .75 acre+- parcel of land located at 2205 Lakewood Dr, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-012.001) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential. (District 1) After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Smith to adopt an ordinance rezoning a .75 acre+- parcel of land located at 2205 Lakewood Dr, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-012.001) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

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

Ordinance No. 2025 - 28

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-4 (I-22 Business Corridor District) to B-T (Transition Business District)
Zoning District.

Section 2. Said parcel is described as follows:

P/O NW NW 26-14-7 NE COR W 220 S 145 E 220 N TO POB.

Describes a parcel of land located at 2205 Lakewood Dr. Parcel #64-17-07-26-0-001-012.001.

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

ADOPTED this the 4th day of November 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Han. Jenny Brown Short

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

Hon. Josh Gates

Mayor

Conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance rezoning a 2.0 acre+- parcel of land located at 3103 Lakewood Dr, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-031.000) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential. (District 1) After a public hearing during which no comments were made, a motion was considered.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Watts, seconded by Councilmember Moody to adopt an ordinance rezoning a 2.0 acre+- parcel of land located at 3103 Lakewood Dr, Jasper, AL (Parcel # 64-17-07-26-0-001-031.000) from the B-4 (I-22 Business Corridor) Zoning District to the B-T (Transition Business) Zoning District to allow for single family residential.

Vote

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

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

Ordinance No. 2025 - 29

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-4 (I-22 Business Corridor District) to B-T (Transition Business District)
Zoning District.

Section 2. Said parcel is described as follows:

PO SWNE 26/14/7 BEG 450 W OF NE COR TH NW ALG RD 100 SW 110 W 50(S) S 210 E 35(S) SW 265(S) SE 50 NE 310(S) E 105(S) S 90(S) E 30 NE 235(S) NW 105(S) TO BEG.

Describes a parcel of land located at 3103 Lakewood Dr. Parcel #64-17-07-26-0-001-031.000.

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

ADOPTED this the 4th day of November 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Hon. Jenny Brown Short

Rresiding Officer

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

Hon. Josh Gates

Mayor

Consider adoption of an ordinance to amend the ordinance regulating unsafe structures and dangerous buildings.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Moody, seconded by Councilmember Watts to adopt an ordinance to amend the ordinance regulating unsafe structures and dangerous buildings.

<u>Vote</u>

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-30

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE REGULATING UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND DANGEROUS BUILDINGS WITHIN THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper, Alabama, has previously adopted Article XIII of Chapter 5 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jasper, Alabama, which regulates and addresses "Unsafe Structures and Dangerous Buildings" within the City of Jasper, Alabama, and declares the same to be public nuisances which may be abated by the City of Jasper; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the City Council of the City of Jasper that buildings which are legally occupied as the primary residence of persons within the City of Jasper should not be subject to a declaration of public nuisance nor to the abatement procedure;

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED, as follows:

Section 1. Amendment of Section 5-130.3, Code of Ordinances of the City of Jasper, Alabama

Section 5-130.3 of the <u>Code of Ordinances of the City of Jasper, Alabama</u>, is hereby AMENDED to provide as follows:

- (a) For purposes of this article, the term "building" is deemed to include all structures, appurtenances, improvements and items on the property, whether or not attached to or part of the main structure, including, but not limited to, houses, mobile or manufactured homes, trailers, garages, sheds, carports, other accessory structures, and pools, as well as any items located therein or on the subject property, including junk, rubbish, trash, litter, grass and weeds as defined by the city's grass and weed abatement ordinance, invasive species, junked or inoperative motor vehicles, and/or any other matter deemed a nuisance under existing law.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), <u>supra</u>, the term "building" shall <u>not</u> include a structure which
 - (i) is legally occupied by an owner or tenant; and
 - (ii) has active water and electric service.

Section 2. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately after its passage and publication as required by the laws of the State of Alabama.

DONE and ORDAINED, this the 4th day of November, 2025.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF JASPER, ALABAMA

Hon. Jenny Brown Short

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless

City Clerk

APPROVED/VETO

Hon. Josh Gates

Mayor

<u>Comments</u>: Mayor Gates thanked the sponsors for yesterday's inaugural ceremony and for everyone who attended. He also thanked those that helped organize the event.

Councilmember Smith echoed Mayor Gates' comments, thanked city employees for always responding to her questions, and welcomed Councilmember Watts and Councilmember Moody to the Council bench.

Presiding Officer Short also thanked the sponsors and attendees at the inaugural ceremony.

Councilmember Moore also thanked the sponsors and attendees at the inaugural ceremony.

Consider adjournment of the meeting.

Motion

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Moore to adjourn the meeting.

Vote

Councilmember Lincoln Moody	Yes
Councilmember Sam Watts	Yes
Councilmember Jennifer W. Smith	Yes
Councilmember Willie Moore III	Yes
Presiding Officer Jenny Brown Short	Yes

10:20 a.m. - Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless, City Clerk/Administrator

APPROVED:
Jenny Brown Short, Presiding Officer

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