

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF ETOWAH

CITY OF RAINBOW CITY- COUNCIL MEETING-FEBRUARY 10, 2025

The City Council of the City of Rainbow City, Alabama, met in regular session at City Hall at 5:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Anita Bedwell. Mayor Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Taylor and upon roll call by City Clerk, Beth Lee, the following members answered present: Anita Bedwell, Randy Vice, Jameson Jenkins, Clark Hopper, and Mayor Taylor. Jeff Prince-Absent. The same constituting a quorum of the City Council, the following business was transacted.

1. Mayor Taylor presented the minutes of the regular Council meeting of January 27, 2025 and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Jameson Jenkins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Randy Vice seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
2. Mayor Taylor presented the following personnel change:
 - Accept the resignation of Jennifer Weathington, Recreation Dept. effective Thursday, February 27, 2025. Post for a full-time Recreation employee for ten (10) days to end on Friday, February 21, 2025.Anita Bedwell made a motion to accept the personnel change. Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
4. Randy Vice made a motion to authorize Mayor Taylor to sign the Turf Tank 3-year agreement for \$5,000.00 each year. Clark Hopper seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
5. Jameson Jenkins made a motion to accept the official quote from Great Southern Recreation for the Splash Pad (2,500-3,000 sq. ft.) at the new Recreation Center on Lumley Road. The quote was for \$264,574.60. This is a Sourcewell Contract (buying cooperative) 010521-WTR. Clark Hopper seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
6. Clark Hopper made a motion to accept the official quote from Great Southern Recreation for the Playground at the new Recreation Center on Lumley Road. The quote was for \$424,540.55. This is an Omnia Partners cooperative Contract No. R220203. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
7. Mayor Taylor presented Resolution No. 25-04 – Economic Development Agreement for SMD Steel LLC. Rainbow City will agree to grant up to 400 loads of site prep material from the City’s chert pit during construction of the Company’s new facility. SMD Steel will have a capital investment of \$8,000,000-\$9,000,000. Mayor Taylor stated this was a time for a public hearing. This public hearing was advertised under the 772 rule and was advertised in The Messenger. No one was present to speak against this economic proposal. Sukhi Kohli, Managing Partner and Drake Ridgeway, Operations Manager, spoke in favor of the proposed economic development agreement. Randy Vice made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 25-04. Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
8. Mayor Taylor presented a budget revision – Library – Increase to reflect a \$5,000.00 Community Service Grant awarded by Rep. Mack Butler and \$1,000.00 donated by the Rainbow City Coin Club.
 - Audio/Visual – (Acct. 01-460-127) - \$1,000.00
 - Equipment & Tools – (Acct. 01-460-180) - \$1,500.00
 - Supplies – General – (Acct. 01-460-300) - \$1,000.00
 - Repairs & Maintenance – (Acct. 01-460-265) - \$2,000.00
 - Summer Reading/Community Outreach – (Acct. 01-460-285) - \$500.00Anita Bedwell made a motion to accept the budget revision. Jameson Jenkins seconded

the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

9. Mayor Taylor presented a budget revision – Police – Reimbursement (\$6,000.00) from Underground Railroad for digital investigations computer and \$8,426.00 collected from calendar sales, copies of reports, wrecker verifications, and sex offender registrations.
- Capital Outlay – (Acct. 01-430-400) - \$6,000.00
 - Miscellaneous – (Acct. 01-430-230) - \$8,426.15

Jameson Jenkins made a motion to accept the budget revision. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

10. Mayor Taylor presented a sponsorship request – United Way Success by 6, 20th Annual Girlfriend Gala for a table of 8-9 to be held Friday, February 28, 2025 at 210 at the Tracks from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Jameson Jenkins made a motion to be a Silver Sister sponsor for \$1,500.00. Clark Hopper seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

11. Mayor Taylor presented monthly reports from the following departments: Animal Control, Building, Community Center, Court, Fire, Library and Police.

Announcements

- Friday, February 21, 2025 – Ribbon Cutting S5 Elite Performance & Physical Therapy, 260 Wiggins Street at 11:00 a.m.
- Friday, February 21-23, 2025 – Weather Preparedness Weekend
- Monday, March 10, 2025 – No Council Meeting – National League of Cities
- Saturday, April 5, 2025 – Lions Club Pancake Day - \$7.00/ea.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Jameson Jenkins made a motion to adjourn. Time Adjourned: 5:29 p.m.

Beth Lee, City Clerk

Mayor Taylor, Mayor