



Minutes of the City of Calera Council Meeting – November 5, 2018

The Council of the City of Calera met in the Council Chambers of the City Hall at 7901 Highway 31 on Tuesday, November 5, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., in a regular meeting. Mayor Graham presiding.

Mayor and Council Members Present:

Jon G. Graham, Mayor
Chris Bunn, Council Member
Philip Busby, Council Member
Ernest Montgomery, Council Member
Kay Snowden Turner, Council Member
Alan Watts, Council Member

Department Heads Present:

Reggie Darden, Building Official
Kelly Ellison, Finance Director
Sean Kendrick, Fire Chief
Sean Lemley, Police Chief
Chris Pappas, City Engineer
Doug Smedley, Sewer Operations Director
Matt Worthen, IT Services Manager

Absent:

David Bradshaw, Council Member
Seth Gandy, Park and Recreation Director
Alison Powers, Library Director

Guests:

Calvin Morgan, Arianne Turner, Markus Snowden, Jim Beckner

Mayor Graham called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Word of Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance:

Jim Beckner opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Council Member Watts made a motion to approve and dispense with the reading of the following minutes:

Regular Meeting – October 15, 2018
Work Session – October 15, 2018

Council Member Busby seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Bunn, Busby, Graham, Montgomery, Turner, Watts

NAYS: None

Motion Passed

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Kelly Ellison, Finance Director – Presented Budget Adjustments (See Attached)

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Council Member Watts discussed the following items: Questioned the removal of the temporary fencing located at 11691 Highway 25 with Reggie Darden, Building Official and questioned should we have an entrance sign for Eagle Sports Complex be installed on Highway 25.

Council Member Watts advised the Meet and Greet with the Mayor and Council Members was rescheduled for Saturday, December 1, 2018, Noon until 4:00 p.m. The Mayor and Council Members will have a booth at the Christmas Village for citizens to stop by.

Council Member Bunn welcomed Mrs. Beth Cain, Mrs. Kathleen Pohl and the 6th and 9th Grade students.

Council Member Busby discussed Public Safety in reference to the recent events involving school buses.

Council Member Turner also welcomed Mrs. Beth Cain, Mrs. Kathleen Pohl and the students. Ms. Turner requested the agenda be placed on the monitors so the citizens can follow along.

Council Member Turner requested approval for the Birmingham Metro Choir to sing at the Christmas Tree Lighting.

MAYOR REPORT:

Mayor Graham advised the entrance sign for Eagle Sports Complex is located on Highway 20.

Mayor Graham approved the Birmingham Metro Choir to sing at the Christmas Tree Lighting.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Adjustments (See Attached)

Council Member Bunn made a motion to approve the budget adjustments as presented. Council Member Montgomery seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

Motion passed

Street Light Request – Intersection of Highway 25 and County Road 310

Council Member Busby made a motion to approve the street light request as presented. Council Member Watts seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

Motion passed

PUBLIC HEARING

Resolution No. 2018-18 AVENU Insights & Analytics, LLC d/b/a RDS Tax Revenue Enhancement Agreement (See Attached)

Council Member Montgomery moved that Resolution No. R-2018-18 is adopted. Council Member Bunn seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Bunn, Busby, Montgomery, Turner, Watts

NAYS: None

Motion Passed – Adopted this November 5, 2018

Ordinance No. 2018- 10, 2019 Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday, February 22 – 24, 2019

Council Member Turner moved that unanimous consent of the Council be given for immediate action upon Ordinance No. 2018-10. Council Member Watts seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Graham, Bunn, Busby, Turner

NAYS: None

Council Member Busby moved that Ordinance No. 2018-10 be adopted. Council Member Watts seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Graham, Bunn, Busby, Turner

NAYS: None

Mayor Graham declared Ordinance No. 2018-10 adopted

GUESTS:

John Robinson discussed his interest in starting a Boys and Girls Club of America location in Calera.

Council Member Busby made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Approved this 19th day of November, 2018.

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk

Mayor Graham introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-18

TAX REVENUE ENHANCEMENT AGREEMENT

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CALERA, ALABAMA**

WHEREAS, the Council hereby agrees to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract with AVENU Insights & Analytics, LLC d/b/a RDS (Revenue Discovery Systems). Said contract attached to minutes.

Council Member Montgomery moved that Resolution No. R-2018-18 be adopted. Council Member Bunn seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Graham, Bunn, Busby, Turner

NAYS: None

Mayor Graham declared Resolution No. R-2018-18 adopted.

Adopted this the 5th of November, 2018.

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk

Mayor Graham introduced the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALERA, ALABAMA, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN “COVERED ITEMS” FROM THE MUNICIPAL SALES AND USE TAX DURING THE LISTED WEEKEND IN FEBRUARY, 2019, AS AUTHORIZED BY ACT 2012-256, GENERALLY REFERRED TO AS THE STATE SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS SALES TAX HOLIDAY LEGISLATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CALERA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In conformity with the provisions Act 2012-256 enacted by the Alabama Legislature during the 2012 Regular Session, providing for a State Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday, the City of Calera, Alabama, exempts “covered items” from municipal sales and use tax during the same period, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, February 22, 2019 and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday (February 24, 2019).

Section 2. This ordinance shall be subject to all terms, conditions, definitions, time periods, and rules as provided by Act 2012-256, except that the time period shall only be as specified in Section 1 above **and not for all years thereafter**.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this ordinance under the seal of the City of Calera, Alabama, and to forward said certified copy to the Alabama Department of Revenue to be recorded and posted on the Department website.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective on November 5, 2018.

Council Member Turner moved that unanimous consent of the Council be given for the immediate action upon said Ordinance. Council Member Watts seconded said motion and upon vote the results were:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Graham, Bunn, Busby, Turner

NAYS: None

The Mayor declared said motion carried and unanimous consent given.

Council Member Busby moved that Ordinance No. 2018-10 be adopted, which motion was seconded by Council Member Watts and upon vote the results were as follows:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Graham, Bunn, Busby, Turner

NAYS: None

Adopted this 5th day of November, 2018.

Mayor declared Ordinance No. 2018-10 adopted.

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk

Jon G. Graham, Mayor