

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA  
December 19, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in a Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19, 2023. Mayor David Mitchell called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk, Charlene Tucker, to call roll after the invocation and pledge.

**Present:**

Council Member Karen Lilly  
Council Member Vickie Mizzell  
Council Member Ashley Phillips  
Mayor David Mitchell

**Absent:**

Council Member Ricky Ruston  
Council Member Kim King

The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

**Consent Agenda**

**A. Approval of Minutes 12-5-23 Regular Council Meeting**

There being no changes or amendments to the minutes, the Mayor declared the minutes approved.

**Department Head Reports**

**Police** – Jeff Bowers reported the following:

- Currently one on the job injury.
- We are currently on course with our 2024 budget.
- All positions are filled.
- All vehicles are in good working order.
- All equipment is in good working order.
- Training is complete for 2023 CPD completed 990 hours of training.
- Candy Cane buddies have been handed out. We served 94 kids, 80 families and handed out 20 full meals. Special thanks to everyone who participated and thank you to Just a Tish, Rux Carter Insurance, The Provincial Pub, Hometown Blends & Sweet Tweets Bird Supply for helping make this years' program a success!
- Please remember to lock your vehicle and slow down in residential areas.

**Administration** – Charlene Tucker reported the following:

- No reports of safety issues.
- YTD revenues and expenses are on track.
- Fully staffed with three full time and one part time employee.
- No repairs are needed at City Hall this time.

- Training is up to date.
- 2024 Business License renewals were be mailed out the first week of December and renewals have started coming in.

**Court** – Terri Reynolds reported the following:

- Next court will be January 9, 2024.
- Driving School will be December 20, 2023.

**Public Works** – Allen Reynolds reported the following:

- No on the job injuries.
- At this time our current budget is on track.
- 2 positions open.
- All metal is complete on the new Public Works Building. We are waiting on an exhaust fan and a metal door.
- Getting ready to bid out electrical & grating work for the new building.
- Waiting on information to reapply for Rebuilding Alabama Grant.
- Due to holidays garbage pick schedule will be as follows:
  - Tuesday 12-26-23 will be picked up on Wednesday 12-27-23
  - Tuesday 01-02-24 will be picked up on Wednesday 01-03-24

### **Board Reports**

The Planning Commission met and approved two applications for re-zoning. These were both applied for by the City to correct zoning. 944 Highway 30 is no re-zoning and the Planning Commission has applied for it to be rezoned to R-1. 318 Highway 47 South is currently RSD and the Planning Commission has applied for it to be rezoned to R-1. The public hearing is at the next Planning Commission meeting in January and if they pass, there will be a public hearing and Council vote in February.

### **Public Hearing – Re-Zoning of Property at 455 Highway 70 from M-1 to M-2 and from R-2 to M-2**

Council Member Mizzell made a motion to suspend the regular council meeting to go into a public hearing, which was seconded by Council Member Lilly. There was a roll call vote of all members present and all voted yes to go into a public hearing.

The Mayor called the public hearing to order for anyone speaking for or against the rezoning of Tax Parcel # 21 8 27 1 001 015.000 from M-1 to M-2 and Tax Parcel # 21 7 26 2 001 058.010 from R-2 to M-2. This property is located at 455 Highway 70.

There was no one who wanted to speak in favor of the rezoning and there was no one who wanted to speak against the rezoning.

Council Member Phillips made a motion to adjourn the public hearing, which was seconded by Council Member Mizzell. There was a unanimous vote to adjourn the public hearing and go back to the regular council meeting.

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

**ORDINANCE NO. 12-23-01**  
**AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY FROM M-1 TO M-2**

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana has adopted a comprehensive zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, certain property located at 455 Highway 70, Columbiana, AL is currently owned by Star Columbiana LLC; and

WHEREAS, after holding a public hearing on the matter, the Columbiana Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended that, at the request of the property owner, this parcel be rezoned from M-1 to M-2, subject to certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Columbiana City Council has held a public hearing on the Columbiana Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation and carefully considered the said recommendation and the comments thereon;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That the zoning district boundaries be amended so as to rezone the following property from M-1 to M-2, and that such rezoning be reflected on the Zoning Map of the City of Columbiana:

*Tax Parcel # 21 8 27 1 001 015.000*

Provided, however, that such rezoning is subject to the following condition: Compliance with the rules, regulations, policies, and procedures of the City of Columbiana, and

Section. 2. That the city clerk be directed to publish or post this ordinance as required by law.

Council Member Phillips moved and Council Member Lilly seconded the motion that said ordinance be given vote, and said ordinance passed by vote of all members of the Council present, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council Member Lilly	<u>  X  </u>	<u>     </u>	Council Member King	<u>absent</u>	<u>     </u>
Council Member Mizzell	<u>  X  </u>	<u>     </u>	Council Member Phillips	<u>  X  </u>	<u>     </u>
Council Member Ruston	<u>absent</u>	<u>     </u>	Mayor Mitchell	<u>  X  </u>	<u>     </u>

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

**ORDINANCE NO. 12-23-02**  
**AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY FROM R-2 TO M-2**

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana has adopted a comprehensive zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, certain property located at 455 Highway 70, Columbiana, AL is currently owned by Star

Columbiana LLC; and

WHEREAS, after holding a public hearing on the matter, the Columbiana Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended that, at the request of the property owner, this parcel be rezoned from R-2 to M-2, subject to certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Columbiana City Council has held a public hearing on the Columbiana Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation and carefully considered the said recommendation and the comments thereon;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That the zoning district boundaries be amended so as to rezone the following property from R-2 to M-2, and that such rezoning be reflected on the Zoning Map of the City of Columbiana:

*Tax Parcel # 21 7 26 2 001 058.010*

Provided, however, that such rezoning is subject to the following condition: Compliance with the rules, regulations, policies, and procedures of the City of Columbiana, and

Section. 2. That the city clerk be directed to publish or post this ordinance as required by law.

Council Member Mizzell moved and Council Member Phillips seconded the motion that said ordinance be given vote, and said ordinance passed by vote of all members of the Council present, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council Member Lilly	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member King	<u>absent</u>	___
Council Member Mizzell	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member Phillips	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Ruston	<u>absent</u>	___	Mayor Mitchell	<u>X</u>	___

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

**RESOLUTION 12-23-03  
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
LOWER BROTHERS FOR PICKLEBALL COURTS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City of Columbiana as follows:

1. That the City enters into a contract with Lower Brothers for surface, nets and posts for new pickleball courts and to repair cracks in existing tennis courts, which contract is before this Council;
2. The contract is for \$62,000.00;
3. This contract is part of the FY24 Shelby County Parks and Recreation Grant awarded to the City; and
4. That the contract be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by its Mayor.

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

Council Member Phillips moved and Council Member Lilly seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council present, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council Member Lilly	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member King	<u>absent</u>	___
Council Member Mizzell	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member Phillips	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Ruston	<u>absent</u>	___	Mayor Mitchell	<u>X</u>	___

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

**RESOLUTION 12-23-04**  
**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH**  
**TITAN ELECTRIC FOR PICKLEBALL COURTS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City of Columbiana as follows:

1. That the City enters into a contract with Titan Electric for demo and removal of existing pole and installation of new LED timed lighting at new pickleball/tennis courts, which contract is before this Council;
2. The contract is for \$42,898.00;
3. This contract is part of the FY24 Shelby County Parks and Recreation Grant awarded to the City; and
4. That the contract be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by its Mayor.

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

Council Member Phillips moved and Council Member Mizzell seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council present, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council Member Lilly	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member King	<u>absent</u>	___
Council Member Mizzell	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member Phillips	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Ruston	<u>absent</u>	___	Mayor Mitchell	<u>X</u>	___

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

**RESOLUTION 12-23-05**  
**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH**  
**SHELBY COUNTY PARK AND RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY**  
**FOR PICKLEBALL COURTS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City of Columbiana as follows:

1. That the City enters into a contract with Shelby County Park & Recreational Authority for demo of backstop wall and chain link fence removal and reset at new pickleball/tennis courts, which contract is before this Council;
2. The contract is for \$2850.00;
3. This contract is part of the FY24 Shelby County Parks and Recreation Grant awarded to the City; and
4. That the contract be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by its Mayor.

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

Council Member Phillips moved and Council Member Mizzell seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council present, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council Member Lilly	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member King	<u>absent</u>	___
Council Member Mizzell	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member Phillips	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Ruston	<u>absent</u>	___	Mayor Mitchell	<u>X</u>	___

**Discussion – Other City Business**

The January 2, 2024 Council Meeting has been moved to January 4, 2024 due to the holiday.

**Mayor's Report**

- Merry Christmas

**Announcements**

- December 22: Christmas in Columbiana – Reindeer Games on Main Street, Santa and the Polar Express will be at Old Mill Square from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.

- December 23: Santa will ride on the firetruck, weather permitting. No route or times have been confirmed at this time.
- December 29: Not Quite New Year's Bash – Ruston Entertainment will provide music and the "countdown" will start a little before 9:00 pm. Confetti canons will fire at 9:00 pm.

### Public Comments

None

There being no further business, Council Member Mizzell moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council Member Lilly. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Mitchell declared the meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.



Charlene Tucker, City Clerk



David Mitchell, Mayor

