

**CITY OF TALLADEGA  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
June 8, 2026 – 5:30pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 8, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Talladega City Hall Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Steve Dickerson, Council Member Vickey Hall, Councilman Hugh Sims, Council Member Betty Spratlin, Councilman Charles Keith, and City Manager Danny Warwick.

Invocation by Pastor Carl Armstrong, Stemley Baptist Church.

Motion by Councilman Sims with a second by Councilman Keith to approve the agenda. AYES: All.

The public hearing was opened regarding public nuisance abatement pursuant to Ordinance No. 1955 on one property. No citizens spoke in favor of or opposition to the proposed abatement. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second by Councilman Keith to approve invoices and expenditures. AYES: All.

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures from 5/20/2026-6/1/2026</b>	<b>597,222.31</b>
General Fund	542,756.50
Corrections Fund	43,117.49
Municipal Airport	2,638.80
Capital Projects Trust Fund	8,709.52

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Councilman Sims to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 28, 2026. AYES: All.

Representatives of Talladega Main Street presented a concept known as “Talladega Wheels,” a proposed public art and tourism initiative featuring decorative displays of vehicle wheels and related automotive exhibits located throughout the city. Ms. Martha Jordan and Katie Campbell stated the project’s goals are to increase tourism, encourage foot traffic in the downtown area, support local businesses, and enhance community engagement. Potential locations discussed included Davey Allison Memorial Park and other public areas. The presenters advised that they were seeking the City’s support to continue planning efforts and requested consideration of appointing a City Council liaison to work with the project committee. No funding request was made at this time. Council members expressed support for further exploration of the concept and discussed examples of similar public art projects in other communities. No action was taken.

Mr. Kip Chappell addressed the Council regarding the development of pickleball facilities in Talladega. Mr. Chappell discussed his experience developing pickleball programs and facilities in Oxford and explained the growing popularity of the sport among all age groups. Discussion included potential conversion of existing tennis courts, possible tournament opportunities, economic benefits, and recreational advantages for the community. Council members expressed support for pursuing additional information regarding pickleball facilities. City Manager Warwick advised that the Parks and Recreation Department has already been evaluating options and has obtained preliminary cost estimates for converting existing courts. Council consensus was for staff to continue discussions with Mr. Chappell and report back to the Council.

Motion by Councilman Sims with a second by Council President Dickerson to approve the Parade Permit Request from the Westside/Drewry Alumni Association for its 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion Celebration on July 4, 2026. AYES: All.

Motion by Council President Dickerson with a second by Councilman Keith to approve the Parade Permit Request for the 2027 Martin Luther King Jr. Parade on January 16, 2027. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Sims with a second by Council Member Hall to appoint Keenan Wynn to the Talladega Municipal Airport Board. AYES: All.



Department regarding the proposal. City Attorney O'Brien advised that the matter would require adoption by ordinance. Council President Dickerson expressed support for a curfew ordinance and increased parental involvement. City Manager Warwick advised that a proposed ordinance could be presented for Council consideration at the next regular meeting.

Council President Dickerson congratulated the Fire Department and Chief Tyson for positive feedback received from citizens regarding a recent emergency response. He stated that although concerns had been expressed regarding ambulance response times, citizens had specifically praised the Fire Department for arriving promptly and rendering aid. He stated that he had requested information from the City Manager regarding service response times and related matters so that the Council could remain informed.

Council President Dickerson reported that reward funds had been offered by community organizations and individuals for information leading to an arrest in connection to a recent homicide investigation in Ward 1. He expressed hope that the additional reward money would encourage individuals with information to come forward and assist law enforcement.

Council President Dickerson thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for remaining involved in the community.

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council Member Hall to adjourn the meeting.  
AYES: All.

#### AUTHENTICATION

I, Joanna Medlen, City Clerk of the City of Talladega, Alabama, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the City Council of Talladega, Alabama, which met in a regular session on Monday, June 8, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.

  
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Joanna Medlen, City Clerk