**CITY OF TALLADEGA**
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**
**October 26, 2026 – 5:30pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, October 26, 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 R. Hall, Council Member Betty C. Spratlin, Councilman Charles Keith, Mayor Ashton Hall, and City Manager Danny Warwick.

Invocation by Reverend Hugh Morris.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mark Bullock, Talladega College.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second by Councilman Keith to excuse the absence of Councilman Sims. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council Member Spratlin for the approval of the agenda. AYES: All.

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

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| **Total Invoices & Expenditures from 10/3/2026 to 10/15/2026** | **276,686.73** |
| General Fund | 241,099.25 |
| Corrections Fund | 12,574.28 |
| Municipal Airport | 348.20 |
| Capital Projects Trust Fund | 22,665.00 |

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second by Council Member Hall to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 12, 2026. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second by Council Member Spratlin to approve the Roadblock Request for the Veterans Program Hall of Heroes Induction Ceremony and Open House on November 14, 2026 from 8am to 2pm. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second by Council Member Spratlin to approve the Roadblock Request for the AIDB Annual Deafestival on October 31, 2026 from 7:30am to 2pm. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council President Dickerson to appoint Phyllis Patterson to the Talladega Library Board. AYES: All.

**Ordinance #1981** to amend Section 4 of Ordinance No. 1789 to change the polling place for voting ward 2 for municipal elections in the City of Talladega, Alabama

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council Member Spratlin for the reading of the heading only of Ordinance #1981. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF ORDINANCE NO. 1789 TO CHANGE THE POLLING PLACE FOR VOTING WARD 2 FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF TALLADEGA, ALABAMA

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council Member Hall for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1981. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Spratlin to adopt Ordinance #1981. AYES: All.

**Resolution #6911** approving the Central Alabama Community College Campus Facility Use Application for use of its facility as the Ward 2 polling site, at no charge to the City, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the application

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second by Councilman Keith to adopt Resolution #6911. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #6912** adopting the City of Talladega's Transportation Plan pursuant to the Rebuild Alabama Act

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council Member Spratlin to adopt Resolution #6912. AYES: All.

**Weed Abatement Liens**

**Resolution #6913** assessing the cost of weed abatement in the amount of $525.00 and placing a lien on property located at 740 Grant St.

**Resolution #6914** assessing the cost of weed abatement in the amount of $525.00 and placing a lien on property located at 914 Washington Ave. (1)

**Resolution #6915** assessing the cost of weed abatement in the amount of $525.00 and placing a lien on property located at 914 Washington Ave. (2)

**Resolution #6916** assessing the cost of weed abatement in the amount of $3,750.00 and placing a lien on property located at Lot on Howard St.

**Resolution #6917** assessing the cost of weed abatement in the amount of $525.00 and placing a lien on property located at 117 Brecon Access Rd.

**Resolution #6918** assessing the cost of weed abatement in the amount of $1,425.00 and placing a lien on property located at 110 Nassau St.

**Resolution #6919** assessing the cost of weed abatement in the amount of $750.00 and placing a lien on property located at 265 Grogan Rd.

Motion by Councilman Keith with a second by Council President Dickerson to adopt Resolution #6913 to #6919. AYES: All.

**Travel Requests**

**Resolution #6920** approving the travel request for Dennis McDaniel to attend the Law Enforcement Ethics and Official Misconduct training on November 13, 2026 in Pell City, Alabama

**Resolution #6921** approving the travel request for Avery Burr to attend the Law Enforcement Ethics & Official Misconduct training on November 16, 2026 in Pell City, Alabama

Motion by Council President Dickerson with a second by Council Member Spratlin to adopt Resolution #6920 and #6921. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second by Councilman Keith to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: All.

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| **Water Department Expenditures for 10/3/2026 to 10/15/2026** | **161,405.41** |
| Water/Sewer Fund | 161,405.41 |

City Manager Warwick reported that CRI had confirmed receipt of the City's financial information for final review concerning the 2022 audit. CRI was expected to confirm the presentation date by the following day. The presentation information will be provided once confirmed. Council President Dickerson requested an opportunity to meet with CRI before its presentation to the Council.

City Manager Warwick expressed condolences to the families of current and past employees who recently passed away, identifying Michael Sims, John Joseph Jefferson Hamm, and James Louis Brock. He also reported that Jacob Wells and Lester Rowls had been hired as temporary code enforcement employees and had begun working. He advised that an update concerning vehicles being addressed through code enforcement had been provided by email. City Manager Warwick reported that the parks and recreation equipment was expected to arrive by the first of December and that ground preparation was underway. Parks and Recreation Director Ammons explained that the equipment consisted of individual components, contributing to the delivery timeline. Delivery was expected during the first week of December and site preparation was underway.

Mayor Hall administered the oath of office to Phyllis Patterson to the Talladega Library Board.

Mayor Hall stated that he had been unwell at the previous Council meeting and was pleased to return. He announced that the fourth annual Mayoral Ball would be held December 19, 2026 at 8pm at Talladega Bottling Works. Information would be displayed on the monitors outside the following day,

and ticket information would be available through the City Manager's Office and Mayor's Office. He thanked employees and others who supported the event, reported that approximately $10,000 in scholarships had been rewarded, and expressed the goal of increasing scholarship assistance in the coming year. Mayor Hall announced that Talladega College would hold its Spooktacular event on Friday, October 30, 2026, from 9am to 11am. He encouraged attendance and participation with children in costume. He also expressed condolences to the McKinney family following the death of Pastor McKinney. He welcomed Jacob Wells and thanked Lester Rowls for returning to assist the City with code enforcement. He also thanked the police chief and City Manager for keeping the Council informed.

Council Member Hall expressed sympathy for the McKinney family and encouraged keeping the family in prayer.

Council Members Spratlin and Keith offered no comments.

Council President Dickerson welcomed Jacob Wells and Lester Rowls and thanked them for assisting the City. He encouraged fair and firm code enforcement and timely compliance. He also thanked Ms. Patterson for her service, those in attendance for participating and Mr. Bullock for representing Talladega College.

Council President Dickerson acknowledged the Council's reliance on the City Manager for daily operations and Finance Director Phillips for financial matters. He commended Director Pointer for responding promptly to complaints concerning beautification and other matters within his department. He reported that complaints had decreased substantially and that concerns were frequently already being addressed when brough to Director Pointer's attention. He also expressed appreciation for favorable results in other City service areas.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second by Councilman Keith 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, October 26, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.

Joanna Medlen, City Clerk