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**STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA  
MAY 15, 2007**

**REGULAR WORK SESSION MEETING**

**PRESENT:**

Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor  
Bridges D. Anderson, Councilman  
Michael L. Jones, Jr., Councilman  
Andy Alexander, Councilman  
Don Cotton, Councilman  
Terry Powell, Councilman  
Tom Albritton, City Attorney

**ABSENT:**

None

The City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama met in room 340, at 4:00 PM, at city hall for a work session for the purpose of planning and finalizing the agenda.

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**PRESENT:**

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Michael L. Jones, Jr., Councilman  
Andy Alexander, Councilman  
Don Cotton, Councilman  
Terry Powell, Councilman  
Tom Albritton, City Attorney

**ABSENT:**

None

Mayor Andrews presided and called the meeting to order after which Councilman Anderson led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**MAYOR PRESENTS AWARDS TO WINNERS OF CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN  
SLOGAN CONTEST:**

Mayor Andrews presented awards to runners up Kelsey Ramirez, and Ronnie Anderson and contest winner Whitney Lanier for their entries in the contest to name the clean up campaign. Miss Lanier's slogan was, "Keep that trash bag handy for a prettier Andy!"

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**MAYOR CONGRATULATES THE ANDALUSIA HIGH SCHOOL GOLF TEAM:**

Mayor Andrews congratulated the Andalusia High School Golf Team for winning second place in the state golf championship.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor Andrews presented the minutes from the May 1, 2007, regular meeting to the council for its consideration. Councilman Powell moved to approve the minutes with a correction on page three. Councilman Jones seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES PAYMENT OF INVOICE NO. FOUR TO DMD ENGINEERS FOR INDUSTRIAL ACCESS ROAD:**

Mayor Andrews presented Invoice No. Four from DMD Engineers for \$10,860 for work on the Andalusia Industrial Park Access Road. Councilman Powell moved to appropriate \$10,860 from contingency to cover the invoice. Councilman Jones seconded the motion. Mayor Andrews called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:	No:	Abstained:
Mayor Andrews		Councilman Cotton
Councilman Anderson		
Councilman Jones		
Councilman Alexander		
Councilman Powell		

**COUNCIL APPROVES HUMAN RESOURCES REQUEST NO. HR2007-004 AFFECTING CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT:**

Mayor Andrews presented Human Resources Amendment Request No. HR2007 – 004, which would affect changes in the Administration Department. Councilman Cotton moved to approve HR2007 – 004. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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**COUNCIL APPROVES LOUNGE RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE PIT STOP:**

Mayor Andrews presented the council with an application for a Lounge Retail Liquor License – Class I, for Loyal Eugene Jones and Vickie Jackson Jones for the Pit Stop at 1100 West Bypass. Councilman Jones moved to approve the application. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion. Mayor Andrews called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:	No:	Abstained:
Mayor Andrews		Councilman Powell
Councilman Anderson		
Councilman Jones		
Councilman Alexander		
Councilman Cotton		

**COUNCIL APPROVES DMD ENGINEERS PROPOSAL TO PREPARE LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR AMEIDOOOR AND TRIPLE H AT ANDALUSIA INDUSTRIAL PARK:**

Mayor Andrews presented a proposal to the council from DMD Engineers for a legal description for two lots at the Andalusia Industrial Park. He added that the Industrial Development Board of the City of Andalusia had agreed to pay for one-half of the \$1,500 cost for the preparation of the legal descriptions. Councilman Anderson moved to appropriate \$750 from contingency to complete the descriptions. Councilman Alexander seconded the motion. Mayor Andrews called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:	No:	Abstained:
Mayor Andrews		Councilman Cotton
Councilman Anderson		
Councilman Jones		
Councilman Alexander		
Councilman Powell		

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**MAYOR ANDREWS PRESENTS ORDINANCE 2007-04, ESTABLISHING CITY OF ANDALUSIA ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES:**

Mayor Andrews presented Ordinance 2007 – 04, establishing City of Andalusia elected officials' salaries.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2007 - 04**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, as follows:

Section I. That the salary of the Mayor of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, shall be and the same is hereby fixed at a biweekly amount of \$1,730.77 to be paid every pay period as a part of the regular City payroll.

Section II. That each member of the Council shall be compensated at a biweekly amount of \$250.00 to be paid every pay period as a part of the regular City payroll.

Section III. That the elected officials may participate in the group life and health insurance program at their discretion. However, they must reimburse the City of Andalusia for premiums. Such reimbursement may be paid monthly in advance or be deducted from their salary through payroll deductions.

Section IV. Upon presentation of proof of receiving the designation of "Basic Certified Municipal Official," the elected official's salary shall be increased by \$150 per month beginning with the next pay period after the official's being awarded the designation. Furthermore, upon presentation of proof of receiving the designation of "Advanced Certified Municipal Official," the elected official's salary shall be increased by another \$150 per month beginning with the next pay period after the official's being awarded the designation.

Section V. This Ordinance shall become effective on the first Monday in October, 2008 and shall continue in force and effect until repealed or amended by action of the Andalusia City Council.

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that Ordinance 1997 – 07, previously establishing elected official’s salaries, be repealed in its entirety when this ordinance takes effect.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

ATTEST:

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Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor

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John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

**COUNCIL APPROVES APPROPRIATION FROM CONTINGENCY FOR PURCHASE OF AN ANIMAL CONTROL VEHICLE:**

Mayor Andrews presented a request from Andalusia Police Chief Wilbur Williams to purchase an animal control vehicle. Councilman Jones moved to appropriate \$5,500 from contingency to purchase the vehicle. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2007-10, GRANTING A LEASE TO THE ANDALUSIA BALLET:**

Mayor Andrews presented Resolution No. 2007 – 10, agreeing to lease the Andalusia Ballet a space near a proposed cultural arts center.

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**RESOLUTION REGARDING ANDALUSIA BALLET**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007 - 10**

**WHEREAS**, the ANDALUSIA BALLET ASSOCIATION, INC. is a non-profit organization established for the purposes of providing instruction in dance and performance opportunities to young dancers in our area; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is investigating conversion of the former Church Street School building into a cultural arts center; and

**WHEREAS**, ANDALUSIA BALLET ASSOCIATION, INC. desires to build new studios and has asked that it be afforded a site on the City’s Church Street School Campus; and

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**WHEREAS**, establishment of the ANDALUSIA BALLET ASSOCIATION, INC. on the Church Street School Campus would further the City's plan for the area;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, that the City of Andalusia, conditioned upon ANDALUSIA BALLET ASSOCIATION, INC. being found financially able to make their planned improvements, take the following actions concerning the Church Street Campus:

- Lease an area to the ANDALUSIA BALLET ASSOCIATION, INC. for the sum of \$1.00 per year for 99 years for construction of its studio, subject to the reversion of title to the City upon the property ceasing to be used for said purpose.
- Expand the existing Church Street Campus parking lot in close proximity to the proposed new studio and add a new exit from the existing parking lot to facilitate traffic flow.
- Make a space available on both Church Street and Walker Ave for signage showing the location of the studio.
- Make utilities available to the new Studio building.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Mayor be authorized to sign all documents to ensure the execution of the purpose and intent this resolution and to accomplish this project.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer**

Councilman Jones moved to adopt Resolution No. 2007 – 10. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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**COUNCIL ADOPTS ORDINANCE NO. 2007-005, AMENDING THE LODGINGS TAX ORDINANCE:**

Mayor Andrews introduced Ordinance 2007 – 05, increasing the lodgings in the City of Andalusia.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2007 - 05**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1990 – 3, ESTABLISHING THE LODGINGS TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, as follows:

That No. 1, under Section III, of Ordinance No. 1990 – 3 be amended to read as follows:

The business of renting or furnishing any room or rooms or lodgings to transients in any hotel, motel, inn, tourist camp, tourist cabin or any other place in which rooms or lodgings are regularly furnished to transients for a consideration, said tax to be in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the charge for such room, rooms or lodgings, including the charge for use or rental of personal property and services furnished in such rooms of which two percent (2%) will be earmarked for the Tourism Committee of the City of Andalusia; provided, that charges for property sold or services furnished which are required to be included in the computation of the tax levied in Article 1, Chapter 23, of Title 40 of the Code of Alabama of 1975, said article being commonly referred to as the State Sales Tax Statutes, shall not be included in computing the tax levied in this article.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that in all other respects Ordinance 1990 – 3, shall remain in full force and effect as adopted.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

ATTEST:

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Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor

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John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

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Councilman Cotton moved to suspend the rules so that the council could give immediate consideration to the ordinance. Councilman Alexander seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Councilman Cotton moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2007 – 05. Councilman Alexander seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES APPROPRIATION FROM CONTINGENCY FOR PURCHASE OF COMPUTER FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

Mayor Andrews presented a request from the Police Department for a computer to handle new software recently awarded to the department through a Homeland Security Grant. Councilman Alexander moved to appropriate \$2,800 from contingency to purchase the computer. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Mayor Andrews informed the council that the City of Andalusia had prevailed in a case before the Supreme Court of Alabama where an appeal of a lower court's decision in the city's favor was upheld.

2. Mayor Andrews announced that there would be a Memorial Day Ceremony on Saturday, May 26, 2007, at 10:00 AM, and encouraged everyone to attend.

3. Mayor Andrews announced that the city recently successfully auctioned off several surplus vehicles on GovDeals.com.

4. Mayor Andrews announced the next Tourism and Relocation Committee Music Around Town event. He said that it would be a gospel music program featuring local talent and that Leisure Services would be serving refreshments including homemade ice cream. It will take place on the square on Thursday, May 17, 2007, at 7:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business Mayor Andrews called the meeting adjourned.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**John M. Thompson, City Clerk/Treasurer**