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**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA
APRIL 22, 2008**

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
Ben Bowden, City Attorney

ABSENT:

None

The City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama met in room 340 at city hall for a work session for the purpose of planning and finalizing the agenda. Rick Clifton was present to explain proposed amendments to a lease agreement with the South Alabama Regional Airport. Others were in attendance to support various items on the agenda.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

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ABSENT:

None

Mayor Andrews called the meeting to order and welcomed all. Councilman Powell led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Andrews presented the minutes from the April 1, 2008, regular meeting to the council for its consideration. Councilman Jones moved to approve the minutes. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES PETITION, DECLARATION AND RESOLUTION
2008 – 06, CLOSING UNDEVELOPED PORTION OF JACKSON AVENUE:**

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**A RESOLUTION TO VACATE AN UNDEVELOPED PORTION OF JACKSON
AVENUE**

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-06

WHEREAS, the sole owners of lands adjoined and abutting that certain undeveloped portion of Jackson Avenue, 35 feet in width, which lies between and separates Parcel No. 23-13-04-19-4-001-005-000 and Parcel No. 23-13-4-19-1-008-005-000 for a distance of 150 feet in Andalusia, Alabama, according to the map and plat of said addition recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Covington County, Alabama, in Plat Book 2, page 82, desire to vacate said undeveloped portion of Jackson Avenue, pursuant to Section 19-4N-16E of Code of Alabama, (1975, as amended); and

WHEREAS, said undeveloped portion of Jackson Avenue to be vacated is within the limits of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, and

WHEREAS, said undeveloped portion of Jackson Avenue has never been opened or used by any other property owners for access, and

WHEREAS, the vacation of portion of said Jackson Avenue shall not deprive any other property owner of any rights of ingress and regress.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, that the vacation of said portion of Jackson Avenue referred to should be and the same is hereby vacated and this governing body is now assenting to the vacation of said Jackson Avenue as described above and the owners of the property abutting said portion of Jackson Avenue are hereby authorized to file and record with their declaration of vacation, a certified copy of this resolution.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor execute this resolution for and on behalf of the City of Andalusia, Alabama.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of April, 2008.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: /s/ Jerry B. Andrews

Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ John M. Thompson

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

COUNCIL APPOINTS VOTING DELEGATES FOR ALABAMA MUNICIPAL INSURANCE CORPORATION ANNUAL MEETING:

Mayor Andrews announced the voting delegates and alternates needed to be designated for the Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation's annual meeting. Councilman Jones moved to appoint Mayor Andrews and Councilman Alexander as voting delegate and alternate voting delegate. Councilman Cotton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES PAYMENT OF DMD ENGINEERS INVOICE NO. 3 FOR THE INDUSTRIAL PARK ACCESS ROAD, PHASE II:

Mayor Andrews presented DMD Engineers Invoice No. 3 for Phase II of the Industrial Park Access Road. Councilman Powell moved to appropriate \$8,010 from contingency to cover the invoice. Councilman Jones seconded the motion. Mayor Andrews called for a vote which produced the following results:

Yes:

Mayor Andrews
Councilman Anderson
Councilman Jones
Councilman Alexander
Councilman Powell

No:

None

Abstained:

Councilman Cotton

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COUNCIL APPOINTS MARK INGRAM, STEVE BOZEMAN AND EMMA LOCKE TO RECREATION BOARD:

Mayor Andrews presented applications for three vacancies on the Recreation Board. Councilman Powell nominated Mark Ingram, Steve Bozeman and Emma Locke to fill the current openings. Councilman Cotton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES PAYMENT OF MARCH 2008 STREETLIGHT REPAIR BILLS FROM THE UTILITY BOARD:

Mayor Andrews presented bills for streetlight repair from the Utility Board for March, 2008. Councilman Alexander moved to appropriate \$1,598.97 from contingency to cover the invoices. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion. Mayor Andrews called for a vote which produced the following results:

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

COUNCIL APPROVES REQUEST FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR MOUNTING RACKS FOR ELECTRONIC CITATION EQUIPMENT:

Mayor Andrews presented a request from the Police Department for mounting equipment for computers in patrol cars that would allow for improved technology in the issuance of citations. Councilman Jones moved to appropriate \$1,072 from contingency to purchase the equipment. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES SPECIAL EVENTS RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE LURLEEN B. WALLACE JUNIOR COLLEGE FOUNDATION:

Mayor Andrews presented an application for a special events retail liquor license for the Lurleen Wallace Junior College Foundation. Councilman Jones moved to approve the license. Councilman Alexander 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		

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COUNCIL APPROVES APPLICATION FOR A RESTAURANT RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ELVIRA VALENCIA FOR AGAVE MEXICAN RESTAURANT AND BAR:

Mayor Andrews presented an application for a restaurant retail liquor license for Elvira Valencia for El Agave Mexican Restaurant and Bar. Councilman Anderson moved to approve the license. Councilman Alexander 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 APPLICATION FOR A RESTAURANT RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ALABAMA SPORTS GROUP, LLC

Mayor Andrews presented an application for a restaurant retail liquor license for Alabama Sports Group for Beef O’Brady’s. Councilman Alexander moved to approve the application. Councilman Jones 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 AUTHORIZES MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO SIGN AND PROCESS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO AN ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS GRANT FOR POLICE EQUIPMENT:

Mayor Andrews presented acceptance documents related to an Alabama Department of Community Affairs grant for \$25,000 for police equipment. Councilman Cotton moved to authorize the mayor and city clerk to sign and process all documents related to the grant. Councilman Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH ALABAMA REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY:

Mayor Andrews presented an amendment to a lease agreement with the

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Andalusia - Opp Airport Authority, now known as the South Alabama Regional Airport Authority. Councilman Jones moved to approve the amendment and to authorize the mayor and city clerk to sign the lease documents. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES HR2008 – 006, USA GYM ENROLLMENT BENEFIT:

Mayor Andrews presented HR2008-006, creating the additional benefit of discounted membership in USA Gym for city and utility board employees. Councilman Powell moved to approve HR2008-006. Councilman Cotton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Mayor Andrews announced one vacancy on the Housing Authority and two on the Tourism and Relocation Committee.
2. Mayor Andrews announced that due to time constraints the council would discuss the contract with the Utility Board at the next meeting.
3. Councilman Alexander presented the mayor with a check from the Utility Board in the amount of \$43,758.97 due the City of Andalusia. Mayor Andrews accepted the check as partial payment of what the Board owes the city.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

BY: _____
Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk/Treasurer