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**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA CITY HALL
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA
OCTOBER 20, 2009**

REGULAR WORK SESSION MEETING

PRESENT:

Earl V. Johnson, Mayor
Will Sconiers, Councilmember
Kenneth C. Mount, Councilmember
Hazel Griffin, Councilmember
Jason Jewell, Councilmember
Terry Powell, Councilmember
Mark Christensen, City Attorney

ABSENT:

None

The City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama met in room 340 at city hall for a work session at 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of planning and finalizing the agenda. Dr. Herb Riedel, President of Lurleen B. Wallace Community College, talked to the council about a conceptual design plan for the college's campus.

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None

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order and welcomed all. Councilmember Griffin led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Johnson presented the minutes from the October 6, 2009, regular meeting. Councilmember Griffin moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Sconiers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MAYOR RECOGNIZES JERRI STROUD, DIRECTOR OF THE ANDALUSIA HIGH SCHOOL AMBASSADOR PROGRAM:

Mayor Johnson recognized Jerri Stroud, Director of the Andalusia High School Ambassador Program, to introduce the 2009 – 2010 Andalusia High School Ambassadors. Mrs. Stroud called each student's name and presented them to the council. Mayor Johnson thanked Mrs. Stroud and each ambassador for their service to the city.

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 18, ESTABLISHING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND AN INVESTMENT POLICY:

Mayor Johnson presented 2009 – 18, establishing accounting policies and procedures and an investment policy to the council.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 18

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND
PROCEDURES AND INVESTMENT POLICIES**

WHEREAS, the City of Andalusia desires to establish a manual for accounting policies and procedures and an investment policy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA that the attached Accounting Policies and Procedures and Investment Policy of the City of Andalusia be implemented.

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ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 20th day of October, 2009.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

Councilmember Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2009 – 18.
Councilmember Jewell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 19, DECLARING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2009 – 19, declaring equipment surplus.

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CITY EQUIPMENT SURPLUS

RESOLUTION 2009 - 19

WHEREAS, the City of Andalusia, Alabama has inventoried its physical assets and found the following miscellaneous Leisure Services equipment to be unneeded for public municipal purposes:

**Motrim Side Mount Attachment
Serial#06980004**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, that said equipment listed above is no longer needed for public municipal purposes, and that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of said surplus property.

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THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

Councilmember Sconiers moved to approve Resolution No. 2009 – 19.
Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 20, AUTHORIZING THE
MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH
FINANCING A LAW ENFORCEMENT FACILITY:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2009 – 20, authorizing the mayor and city clerk to execute documents associated with financing a law enforcement facility.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 20

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO SIGN
ALL FORMS AND DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO SECURE CONSTRUCTION
FINANCING FOR A POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING FACILITY**

WHEREAS, the City of Andalusia has been awarded a grant and low interest loan from the United States Department of Justice for the purpose of constructing a law enforcement training facility; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice requires that a loan be secured to finance the construction of the facility.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA that the mayor and city clerk be authorized to sign, attest and seal all documents and forms necessary to apply for and secure a construction loan for \$1,000,000 for a law enforcement training facility in the city of Andalusia.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 20th day of October, 2009.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

Councilmember Jewell moved to approve Resolution No. 2009 – 20.
Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 21, REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE KIRKPATRICK PARK PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER:

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2009 – 21, rejecting all bids for the Kirkpatrick Park Project.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2009 – 21

A RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE KIRKPATRICK PARK PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Andalusia plans to construct the Kirkpatrick Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Andalusia; Andalusia, Alabama did legally advertise the bid opening date of Wednesday, September 30, 2009, in accordance with Alabama State Law, and on that date opened all bids in public and read them aloud; and

WHEREAS, the bids received were over the amount budgeted for the project.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, that all bids be rejected and that the Mayor be authorized to negotiate with the lowest responsible bidder.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 20th day of October, 2009.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

By: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer

Councilmember Sconiers moved to approve Resolution No. 2009 – 21.
Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPOINTS BOARD MEMBERS:

Mayor Johnson announced that there were applications for openings on the Downtown Redevelopment Authority, the Industrial Development Board and the Community Enhancement Committee. Councilmember Jewell nominated Robert Bond O’Neal and Michael L. Jones, Jr. to the Downtown Redevelopment Authority. Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Councilmember Powell nominated Ward Taylor and Bill Rabren to the Industrial Development Board. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Councilmember Mount nominated Sylvia Johnson, Kelley Faulkner and Norma Riley to the Community Enhancement Board. Councilmember Sconiers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES APPROPRIATION FROM CONTINGENCY TO SPONSOR COTERIE CLUB’S ANNUAL RUN FOR KIDS:

Mayor Johnson presented a request for support for the Coterie Club’s annual Run for Kids. Councilmember Sconiers moved that the event provided a benefit to the public and to appropriate \$500 from contingency to sponsor it. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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COUNCIL APPROVES APPROPRIATION TO THE ANDALUSIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO SPONSOR A NEW MAP:

Mayor Johnson announced that the Andalusia Chamber of Commerce was updating its map of Andalusia. Councilmember Griffin moved to appropriate \$795 from contingency to sponsor the new map. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES APPROPRIATION TO LURLEEN WALLACE COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO PARTNER IN DEVELOPING A CONCEPTUAL CAMPUS MASTER PLAN FOR THE COLLEGE:

Mayor Johnson presented a proposal from Lurleen B. Wallace Community College to partner in developing a conceptual campus master plan for the college and asked Dr. Herb Riedel, President of Lurleen B. Wallace Community College, to address the council about the project. Dr. Riedel explained the need for a plan to properly develop the campus. Councilmember Sconiers moved to appropriate \$7,500 from contingency to complete the plan. Councilmember Jewell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COUNCIL APPROVES PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING PRO BONO WEEK:

Mayor Johnson presented a proclamation proclaiming October 25th – 31st, 2009, to be Pro Bono Week in Andalusia and asked John Peek, President of the Covington County Bar Association, to give further explanation to the council. Mr. Peek explained the necessity to provide legal services to those without the means to obtain it otherwise and the efforts of the local bar to provide it. Councilmember Powell moved to approve the proclamation. Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Mayor Johnson urged motorists and pedestrians to use caution in the downtown square.
2. Mayor Johnson announced that the 2010 Census would be taking place in early 2010 and encouraged everyone to participate.
3. Mayor Johnson announced that there was an opening on the Andalusia Public Library Board and one opening on the South Alabama Regional Airport Authority.
4. Mayor Johnson announced that the next council meeting would mark the first anniversary of the current administration and that he would observe the occasion by addressing the public and council on the status of the city and current projects. He

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added that the council would host a reception following the meeting and invited everyone to attend.

5. Mayor Johnson announced that the Annual Employee Safety and United Fund Picnic would be on Thursday, November 5, 2009, at Lake Armstrong.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Mayor Johnson called the meeting adjourned.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

BY: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John M. Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer