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**STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA CITY HALL  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2010**

**REGULAR WORK SESSION MEETING**

**PRESENT:**

Earl V. Johnson, Mayor  
Will Sconiers, Councilmember  
Kenneth C. Mount, Councilmember  
Hazel Griffin, Councilmember  
Jason Jewell, Councilmember  
Terry Powell, Mayor Pro Tempore  
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.

Meryane Murphy, Mike Hamrick and David Williams attended the work session and talked to the council about the Church Street Arts Center and the Andalusia High School Band's Annual A – Town Invitational Competition.

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**PRESENT:**

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**ABSENT:**

None

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor Johnson presented the minutes from the August 17, 2010, regular meeting and the August 31, 2010, special meeting. Councilmember Mount moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 32, AUTHORIZING BIDDING OF THE CHURCH STREET CULTURAL ARTS CENTER PROJECT:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2010 – 32, authorizing bidding of the Church Street Cultural Arts Center Project.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 32**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CHURCH STREET ARTS CENTER  
PROJECT**

**WHEREAS** , the City Council of the City of Andalusia has designated the rehabilitation of the Old Church Street Elementary School into a center for cultural arts a priority; and

**WHEREAS**, the Andalusia Ballet Association and the City of Andalusia have agreed in principle to share the expenses associated with the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the project is ready to be advertized for competitive bidding.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA** that the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to advertize for bids for the Church Street Cultural Arts Center Project.

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**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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

Councilmember Griffin moved to approve Resolution No. 2010 – 32.  
Councilmember Jewell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 33, AUTHORIZING THE  
ACQUISITION OF THE SCHERF HOME AND ADJACENT PROPERTY:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2010 – 33, authorizing the acquisition of the Scherf Home and adjacent property.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 33**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THE HISTORIC  
SCHERF PROPERTY IN ANDALSUIA**

**WHEREAS** , the City Council of the City of Andalusia has determined that the former home of John G. Scherf is of great historic significance to the citizens of the City of Andalusia; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Andalusia has spent millions of dollars improving the appearance of the City of Andalusia with restoration and renovation projects such as the Court Square, Andalusia City Hall and Veteran’s Memorial Park, sidewalk and street projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Andalusia has developed an aggressive campaign to improve the quality of life for all of the citizens of the City of Andalusia by investing millions of dollars in various projects to improve sports, recreation and cultural facilities and to develop Andalusia’s economy; and

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Andalusia desires to preserve its rich heritage and recognize the contributions of one of its most influential former leaders, John G. Scherf, who is commonly referred to as the “Founder of Modern Andalusia;” and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Andalusia desires to acquire the John G. Scherf Home and surrounding grounds to preserve it for the use and enjoyment of all of the citizens of the City of Andalusia from this time forward; and

**WHEREAS** the mayor and city clerk have struck an agreement with the current owner of the Scherf Home and an adjoining lot, the terms of which call for a down payment to be made on or before October 1, 2010, and the remaining portion to be settled over a five year period.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA** that the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to secure acquisition financing for the Scherf Home and adjoining lot, not to exceed \$700,000, for one year, and sign all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the mayor and city clerk be authorized to develop and organize a foundation or trust for the purpose of absorbing the financial burden and perpetual care and maintenance of the Scherf Home and that the mayor and city clerk be authorized to develop a policy for public use and enjoyment of the home and grounds.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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

Councilmember Powell moved to approve Resolution No. 2010 – 33.  
Councilmember Mount seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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**COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 34, DECLARING  
PROPERTIES A PUBLIC NUISANCE IN THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA:**

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2010 – 34, declaring properties a public nuisance in the City of Andalusia.

**CITY OF ANDALUSIA  
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 34**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama that we, after having examined the report of the City Building Inspector, do hereby find that the property in question specifically described below and denominated as parcel numbers by the Revenue Commission of Covington County is hazardous to the health, safety, welfare, and morals of the citizens of Andalusia and thereby constitute a public nuisance pursuant to the Alabama Act No. 94-540 as adopted by the City Council of the City of Andalusia:

- 1) 306 North Cotton Street – Parcel #13041844010100000
- 2) 404 Pearl Street – Parcel #13042022010140000
- 3) 638 West Watson Street – Parcel #13041920030220030
- 4) 701 Dunson Street – Parcel #14062410010060000
- 5) 101 Doyle Street – Parcel #13041740010160000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council hereby authorizes the Building Inspector and the City Attorney to proceed with the abatement of these nuisances as authorized under State of Alabama Act. No. 94-540 as adopted by the City of Andalusia.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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

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Councilmember Jewell moved to approve Resolution No. 2010 – 34.  
Councilmember Griffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL APPROVES REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE ANDALUSIA  
HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS:**

Mayor Johnson presented a request from the Andalusia High School Bank Boosters for a contribution of \$7,500 for assistance with the A – Town Marching Band Competition on October 2, 2010.

Councilmember Sconiers moved to appropriate \$7,500 from contingency to support the event and noted that this event would provide a public benefit. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Earl V. Johnson, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**John Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer**