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COUNTY OF BALDWIN                )(

The City Council met in a Work Session  
at 4:30 p.m., Fairhope Municipal Complex Council Chamber,  
161 North Section Street, Fairhope, Alabama 36532,  
on Monday, 12 August 2024.

Present were Council President Corey Martin, Councilmembers: Jack Burrell, Jimmy Conyers, Jay Robinson, and Kevin Boone, Mayor Sherry Sullivan, City Attorney Marcus E. McDowell, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks.

Council President Martin called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- The first item on the Agenda was the Baldwin Family Village update by Kate Carver the Executive Director, Dumas Wesley Community Center. The Baldwin Family Village provides 12 months of housing stability and wrap-around services for up to 100 single women and women with children annually. BFV seeks to break the cycle of homelessness and help women and children re-establish and maintain self-sufficiency by focusing on accountability, case management, life skills, and behavior modification. To-date, the BFV has served 95 individuals and has successfully graduated 56 of these women and children into independent housing. Ms. Carver said to save the date, September 16, 2024,
- Human Resources Director Hannah Noonan addressed the City Council and began the Discussion of Proposed Sick Leave Donation Policy. She explained the policy and the change in the Personnel Handbook.
- Electric Superintendent Ben Patterson and AMI Coordinator David Garrick addressed the City Council on the AMI Meter Policy. Mr. Garrick explained what the Advanced Metering Infrastructure was and how it will benefit the Electric Department and the Community. He said it will alert a power outage, where the fault is located, and when the power is back on. Mr. Garrick said there is also an explanation of AMI on our website.
- City Treasurer Kim Creech addressed the City Council regarding the 2024 – 2025 Budget Discussion on Revenues. She said that Sanitation revenue is not keeping up with costs. Councilmember Burrell questioned costs versus growth. Ms. Creech said we have increased salaries to keep competitive with others. She suggested \$2.00 and \$4.00 more per can; said we are trying to find the right balance. Public Works Director George Ladd explained what other Cities charge and the number of routes each week for sanitation. Councilmember Boone mentioned this was discussed previously. Mr. Ladd said when Baldwin County gets the “MRF” built, two cans will be used: one for garbage and one for recycling.

Ms. Creech went over proposed Capital Projects without rollover projects. Mayor Sullivan thanked Treasurer Department Staff and the Leadership group for their work on this budget.

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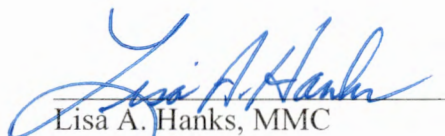
- Water and Wastewater Director Daryl Morefield addressed the City Council and gave an update on Well #4 on Dairy Road. He said crews are working on it right now. Council President Martin said we need to Declare an Emergency for Water Conservation Plan. Assistant Water Director Joe Webber addressed the City Council and said the usage today is 9.4 million gallons. Councilmember Burrell questioned what Phase we are looking at; Phase III. He said, would our Ordinance need to be tweaked? City Attorney Marcus McDowell explained an Emergency Declaration. Councilmember Boone asked what the estimated arrival for new pump was. Mr. Webber said he did not know but this is not an overnight fix. He said the temporary pump will help now, but the new pump will take possibly six to eight weeks to repair. He said in October we will begin Well #14 will help and hopefully online in the Spring. Councilmember Boone said if this is a 10 year limit, we need to look forward to replace. Mr. Webber mentioned the temporary pump is submersible. The consensus of the City Council was to add the resolution to the agenda.
- Gas Superintendent Wes Boyett addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 20 and No. 21; and answered any questions if needed.
- Building Official Erik Cortinas addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Item No. 24; and answered any questions if needed.
- City Engineer Richard Johnson addressed Agenda Items No. 13 and No. 15; and answered any questions if needed.
- Public Works Director addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 16 and No. 19; and answered any questions if needed.
- Water and Wastewater Superintendent Daryl Morefield addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Item No. 18; and answered any questions if needed.
- Recreation Director Pat White addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 14, No. 25, and No. 26; and answered any questions if needed.
- Grant Coordinator Nicole Love addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Item No. 17; and answered any questions if needed.
- Mayor Sherry Sullivan addressed the City Council regarding Agenda Items No. 8, No. 9, No. 22, No. 23, and No. 17; and answered any questions if needed.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:54 p.m.



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Corey Martin, Council President



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Lisa A. Hanks, MMC  
City Clerk.