

## **CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS**

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Date: February 2, 2026 – 5:38 p.m.**

**Location: Muscle Shoals City Hall Auditorium**

#### **1. Call to Order**

Council President Donnie Linley called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

#### **2. Roll Call**

Present: Chris Hall, Gina Clark, Willis Thompson, Ken Sockwell, Donnie Linley

Absent: None

#### **3. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance**

Invocation was given by James Vance. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Donnie Linley.

#### **4. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of minutes from the January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting and Work Session.

Motion to approve: Ken Sockwell

Second: Willis Thompson

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **5. Mayor's Comments**

The Mayor congratulated the Muscle Shoals cheerleaders; reported that students involved in a recent accident were safe; thanked Police and Fire Departments for assistance during the winter weather event; recognized Fire Department response to recent fires; thanked city personnel for snow and ice removal efforts; and announced the Annual Safety Meeting scheduled for February 4, 2026.

#### **6. Comments of the Public**

No comments recorded

#### **7. Reports of Officers**

#### **8. Hearings on Petitions, Applications, Appeals, and Communications**

None presented

#### 9. Financial Reports

None presented

#### 10. Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

Resolution 3412-26 – Brian Barton appointed to the Civil Service Board for a term expiring June 2028

##### Roll Call Vote:

- Chris Hall – Donnie Allen
- Gina Clark – Donnie Allen
- Willis Thompson – Brian Barton
- Ken Sockwell – Brian Barton
- Donnie Linley – Brian Barton

Council President Linley announced that **Brian Barton** received a majority of votes cast and was appointed.

Resolution 3413-26 – Repair of 60-Inch Stormwater Drainage Pipe (John R. Street). Motion by Willis Thompson; Second by Chris Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 3414-26 – Designation of Authorized Signatories for City Accounts. Motion by Chris Hall; Second by Gina Clark. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 3415-26 – Award of Bid 001-26 (Nathan Estates Retention Pond) to Affordable Tree Service in the amount of \$106,873.82. Motion by Chris Hall; Second by Willis Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 3416-26 – Rejection of Bid 002-26 and Authorization to Negotiate with Pierce & Allred Construction. Motion by Ken Sockwell; Second by Chris Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 3417-26 – Donation of Surplus Fire Department Equipment. Motion by Ken Sockwell; Second by Willis Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.

##### Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held on February 16, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. (Work Session at 5:00 p.m.).

Adjourn-motion made by: Willis Thompson

Attest

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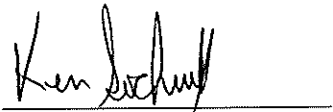
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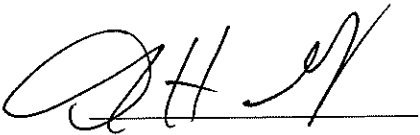
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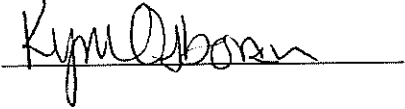


Council Member - Place Four



Council Member - Place Five

ATTEST:



**WORK SESSION MINUTES**

**Date: February 2, 2026**

**Time: 5:00 p.m.**

**Location: Muscle Shoals City Hall Auditorium**

Present: Chris Hall, Gina Clark, Willis Thompson, Ken Sockwell, Donnie Linley

Absent: None

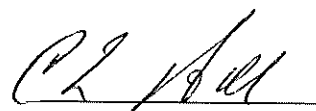
Discussion Items

1. Civil Service Board interviews were conducted with applicants for appointment.
2. Discussion regarding EMT Advanced training program. The Fire Chief presented information regarding participation in an EMT Advanced training program beginning in March. The program would assist in preparing for ALS non-transport services. No action was taken.
3. Discussion regarding potential municipal hemp licensing. Council discussed potential adoption of state hemp licensing regulations, possible creation of a separate municipal license, and potential municipal revenue. Additional research was requested. No action was taken.

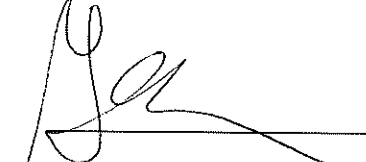
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Council Member - Place Five

ATTEST:

Kym Osborn

