# MINUTES FROM A WORK SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA, HELD November 15, 2021

The City Council of Muscle Shoals, Alabama met at the Muscle	Shoals City Hall
auditorium of said City at 5:00 p.m. on the 15th day of November, 2021.	The following members
were found to be present or absent, as indicated:	

PRESENT: CHRIS HALL, GINA CLARK, WILLIS THOMPSON,

KEN SOCKWELL, DAVID MOORE

ABSENT: NONE

Ken Sockwell, Council President, presided at the meeting. Mayor Mike Lockhart was also present. Ricky Williams, City Clerk was present and kept the minutes of the meeting.

The City Council interviewed Elaine Coan for the position of City Clerk.

Architect Brad Bernard and Fire Chief Shawn Malone reviewed building plans for the proposed Fire Station #4 on Gargis Lane and Old Highway 20.

The Council reviewed agenda items.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA a Municipal Corporation

COUNCIL/MEMBER - PLACE ONE

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE TWO

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE THREE

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FOUR

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FIVE

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

### MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA, HELD November 15, 2021

The City Council of Muscle Shoals, Alabama met at the Muscle Shoals City Hall auditorium in said City at 6:00 p.m. on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021 being the scheduled time and place for said meeting. The meeting was called to order by Ken Sockwell, Council President. On roll call the following members were found to be present or absent, as indicated:

PRESENT: CHRIS HALL, GINA CLARK, WILLIS THOMPSON,

KEN SOCKWELL, DAVID MOORE

ABSENT: NONE

Ken Sockwell, Council President, presided at the meeting and declared that a quorum was present and that the meeting was convened and opened for the purposes of transaction of business. Mayor Mike Lockhart was also present. Ricky Williams, City Clerk, was present and kept the minutes of the meeting.

The invocation was given by Ricky Williams. Mayor Mike Lockhart led in the pledge of allegiance.

Upon motion duly made by Council Member Thompson and seconded by Council Member Clark and unanimously adopted, the Council waived the reading of the minutes of the previously held regular meeting and work session of November 8, 2021 and approved the minutes as written.

Mayor Lockhart thanked the City Council and department heads for their work on the 2021-2022 General Fund budget.

President Sockwell announced that the next item of business was consideration of a revised job description for the position of Golf Course Maintenance Superintendent. Council Member Hall moved that the job description be approved as presented. Council Member Clark seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted "AYE" and "NAYS" were none.

President Sockwell announced that the job description had been approved.

President Sockwell announced that the next item of business was the appointment of a City Clerk. He noted that Elaine Coan was the sole applicant for the position and was interviewed during the work session.

President Sockwell asked the City Clerk/Treasurer to call the roll with those giving approval for her appointment as City Clerk to vote Yea and those opposed Nay:

Council Member Hall: Yea Council Member Clark: Yea Council Member Thompson: Yea Council Member Sockwell: Yea Council Member Moore: Yea

President Sockwell noted that unanimous approval had been given for the appointment of Elaine Coan as City Clerk.

President Sockwell announced that the next item of business was consideration of a resolution to amend the calculation of the monthly appropriation to the Muscle Shoals Board of Education from sales and use taxes.

Council Member Thompson introduced the following resolution and moved for its immediate consideration:

STATE OF ALABAMA COLBERT COUNTY

## **RESOLUTION NUMBER 3176 - 21**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Muscle Shoals has provided a general fund appropriation to the Muscle Shoals Board of Education to offset ongoing education costs; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1991 the City has provided this appropriation in the amount of \$105,000 per month or \$1,260,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, the City Council understanding that a level monthly payment over time loses some of its purchasing power due to the effects of inflation; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals that the City Council does hereby authorize an appropriation to the Muscle Shoals Board of Education in the amount of eight percent (8%) of the monthly receipts of sales and use taxes, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said payments are to be paid on a monthly basis by the City Treasurer commencing with the first payment following adoption of this resolution.

Council Member Clark seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, a roll call was had and the vote recorded as follows:

AYES: Council Member Hall, Council Member Clark, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Sockwell, Council Member Moore

NAYS: None

President Sockwell announced that the resolution had been approved.

President Sockwell announced that the next item of business was consideration of a resolution to amend the calculation of local alcoholic beverage taxes paid to the Muscle Shoals Board of Education.

Council Member Thompson introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

STATE OF ALABAMA COLBERT COUNTY

### RESOLUTION NUMBER - 21

WHEREAS, the City of Muscle Shoals has provided a general fund appropriation to the Muscle Shoals Board of Education to offset ongoing education costs; and

WHEREAS, the monthly appropriation is calculated based upon twenty percent (20%) of the local alcoholic beverage taxes collected; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adjust this appropriation to a percentage equivalent to the proposed appropriation of 8% of sales and use tax receipts currently under consideration by the City Council; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals that the City Council does hereby authorize an appropriation to the Muscle Shoals Board of Education in the amount of eight percent (8%) of the monthly receipts of local alcoholic beverage taxes, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said payments are to be paid on a monthly basis by the City Treasurer commencing with the first payment following adoption of this resolution.

Council Member Moore seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, a roll call was had and the vote recorded as follows:

AYES: Council Member Hall, Council Member Moore

NAYS: Council Member Clark, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Sockwell President Sockwell announced that the resolution was not approved.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made to continue the meeting until Monday, November 22, 2021 at 4:00 pm for the purpose of considering a job description and pay rate for the position of finance officer. Council Member Clark seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted Aye and the Nays were none. President Sockwell announced that the motion was approved.

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COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE ONE

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE TWO

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE THREE

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FOUR

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FIVE

ATTEST:

# MINUTES FROM A CONTINUED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA, HELD November 22, 2021

The City Council of Muscle Shoals, Alabama met at the Muscle Shoals City Hall auditorium in said City at 4:00 p.m. on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2021 being the scheduled time and place for said meeting. The meeting was called to order by Ken Sockwell, Council President. On roll call the following members were found to be present or absent, as indicated:

PRESENT: CHRIS HALL, GINA CLARK, WILLIS THOMPSON,

KEN SOCKWELL, DAVID MOORE

ABSENT: NONE

Ken Sockwell, Council President, presided at the meeting and declared that a quorum was present and that the meeting was convened and opened for the purposes of transaction of business. Mayor Mike Lockhart was also present. Ricky Williams, City Clerk, was present and kept the minutes of the meeting.

The job description for Finance Officer/Assistant City Clerk was presented for approval to the City Council with a proposed pay rate of \$29.46/hour. After some discussion, Council Member Thompson moved that the job description and pay rate be approved with the deletion of Assistant City Clerk from the job title. Council Member Hall seconded the motion and said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded:

AYE: Council Member Hall, Council Member Clark, Council Member Thompson Council Member Sockwell

NAY: Council Member Moore

President Sockwell announced that the job description and pay rate had been approved.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon the motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.

CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA a municipal corporation

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE ONE

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE TWO

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE THREE

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FOUR

**COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FIVE** 

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK