

**MINUTES OF THE
SELMA CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 8, 2010
5:00 P.M.**

Call to Order

Invocation: Reverend James Peoples, Pastor
St. Matthews Baptist Church

Pledge of Allegiance

The Selma City Council met in a regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Members were present during roll call: Council President Dr. Cecil Williamson and Council Members Councilwoman Susan Keith, Councilwoman Dr. Monica Newton, Councilman Samuel Randolph, Councilman Benny L. Tucker, Councilwoman Bennie R. Crenshaw and Councilman Corey Bowie. Others present were Mayor George Evans, City Clerk Ivy S. Harrison, City Attorney Jimmy Nunn, City Treasurer Cynthia Mitchell, and the Mayor's Executive Assistant Ms. Brenda Smothers. Councilwoman Angela Benjamin was absent during roll call, but arrived at 5:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Williamson asked for the approval of the agenda items. A motion was made by Councilman Bowie, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to approve the agenda items as written. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

After approval of the agenda, President Williamson asked for the approval of the minutes of May 25, 2010 regular meeting minutes. A motion was made by Councilman Tucker, and seconded by Councilwoman Newton, to approve the minutes of May 25, 2010. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present.**

CITIZENS' REQUEST

Mrs. Kathi Needham
Re: "No Smoking" Signs

Reverend Franklin Fortier
Re: Southern Christian Leadership Conference (S.C.L.C.) Initiatives

Ms. Sherrette Spicer
Re: Community Review Board

Mr. John Jowers
Re: City Council Actions

Mr. Rufus Ford
Re: Highland Avenue Business Association

Mrs. Katie Clark
Re: State of the City

A. **Proclamation.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that he has a Proclamation that each of them should have within their packets, and that he would like to, at this time, acknowledge:

Proclamation - "Dr. Gertie Thompson Lowe Day". Mayor Evans stated Dr. Gertie Thompson Lowe is presently the President of the Alabama Baptist Women's State Auxiliary, and she will be coming to Selma, and retiring as the President. Mayor Evans further stated we want to acknowledge her presence in our City, along with the Alabama Baptist Women's State Auxiliary, and present the Proclamation to her when she comes back on June 17th. Mayor Evans read said Proclamation in its entirety, and asked the Council and Citizens of Selma to join him in recognizing and honoring *June 17, 2010* to be "***Dr. Gertie Thompson Lowe Day***". Mayor Evans and the Selma City Council proclaim *June 17, 2010* to be "***Dr. Gertie Thompson Lowe Day***" in the City of Selma, Alabama, and encouraged all Citizens to recognize and celebrate the lifetime achievements and contributions of ***Dr. Gertie Thompson Lowe***, upon her Retirement as President of the Alabama Baptist Women's State Auxiliary, and offer our best wishes in all of her future endeavors.

B. **Monthly Financial Report - May, 2010.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have before them a copy of the Monthly Financial Report for the Month of May, 2010. Mayor Evans further stated as can be seen, our sales tax collection has declined, and we are less by \$112,447.58 in sales tax receipts as of May, 2010, and out of the eight (8) months that we have been operating, there have only been two (2) months that we have received above and beyond the amount that we normally receive; for six (6) months we have taken a loss. Mayor Evans stated from this standpoint he would like to remind everybody that this idea of a recession is real; we have lost a few businesses, but we have gained one or two businesses "here and there", but certainly we are not out of the "dark" in terms of coming out ahead with these tough times. Mayor Evans further stated currently we are \$200,000.00 less at this point in our Fiscal Year, than we were last year at this time.

C. **Police Department Reports - May, 2010.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have before them a copy of the Police Department Report, for May, 2010, which gives all of the incident report totals by percentages for each Ward, along with a copy of the Loud Noise Statistics. Mayor Evans further stated these reports were prepared by Chief Riley and his Staff, for the month of May, 2010, which the Council received during last night's Work Session, and that Chief Riley is present tonight if the Council has any questions of him. Mayor Evans stated the report reflects the "numbers" in terms of the Wards, based on the incidents that occurred. Mayor Evans stated that there were 32 Loud Noise Incident Reports, with 212 Traffic Citations issued, which is better. Mayor Evans stated that he thinks that the Police Officers are really trying to do a good job, and until proven otherwise he is going to stand on that, and work with that for the purpose of moving our City forward.

D. **Code Enforcement Reports - May, 2010.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should each have before them a copy of all of the identified properties in the City, for the Month of May, 2010. Mayor Evans further stated that they should also have within their packets information on several pieces of properties that are scheduled to be demolished within our Community. Mayor Evans stated funds in the Bond, for which he again thanks the Citizens for voting for, allows \$50,000.00 to each Ward to be appropriated, and used to demolish structures that have been identified as condemned.

E. **Update on "Moment of Remembrance" Observance.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that he wanted to report that we had the "Moment of Remembrance" on Memorial Day, at Memorial Stadium at 11:00 a.m., and here on the steps of City Hall at 3:00 p.m. Mayor Evans further stated that we had a very good turn-out, and that he wanted to thank every one for being a part of it. Mayor Evans stated that was a "Moment" where we *Honored and Remembered Our Lost Veterans, Heroes and "Sheroes"*, who passed away while serving our Country. Mayor Evans further stated we had the "*One Moment of Remembrance in Silence*" on Memorial Day, and we will be doing it every year hereafter, and that we are trying to make sure that it becomes a Statewide Proposal.

F. **Update on Summer Youth Employment Program.** Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have a copy of the Summer Youth Employment Program Update within their packets, and that we have approximately 80 Youths who started to work with us on last Tuesday, June 1st. Mayor Evans further stated that Ms. Valeria Jones is present, in the event the Council has questions of her. Mayor Evans stated he wanted to thank all of the Businesses who contributed to the Summer Youth Employment Program, along with the Council Members who gave, as well.

G. **Appointment of Cemetery Superintendent.** Mayor Evans asked Mr. Michael Pettaway, an Employee of the City's Cemetery Department, to come forward. Mayor Evans further stated to Council that he is appointing Mr. Michael Pettaway to serve as the City of Selma's Cemetery Department, Superintendent. Mayor Evans stated Mr. Pettaway, Age 47, is married to Azize Mason Pettaway, and they have two children. Mayor Evans further stated to Council that they should have some information within their packets, as it relates to Mr. Pettaway's background and experience with the City of Selma, who has been employed since December 1, 1981, with 27 ½ years of service to the City of Selma. Mayor Evans further stated that Mr. Pettaway was hired as a full-time Laborer, and has received several promotions within the Department; namely, Tractor Driver I, Tractor Driver II, and on June 21, 1995, he became the Cemetery Supervisor.

H. Resolution #R226-09/10 - Authorization to Enter Into Agreement with Davis Architects, Incorporated for Engineering and Inspection Services Related to the Riverfront Amphitheater Bond Project. Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have within their packets information as it relates to Resolution #R226-09/10, Authorization to Enter Into Agreement with Davis Architects, Incorporated for Engineering and Inspection Services Related to the Riverfront Amphitheater Bond Project, which was discussed at great length during last night's Work Session. Mayor Evans stated to Council that he would like to move forward with this Project, and asked Ms. Charlotte Griffeth to come forward to address the Council in the event there are questions. Councilwoman Crenshaw stated, for the record, in the Bond we had allowed \$600,000.00 for this Project, and now we are going to find monies to complete a Project that we have already put in said amount of funds in the Bond for. Councilwoman Crenshaw further stated, for the record, that she thinks if we can find that amount of money to complete a Project that you initially started with a certain amount of money, she thinks that we can possibly do something else with the money that we are now finding to complete a project. Councilwoman Crenshaw also stated, for the record, that she is thinking about a lot of things along those lines; a community outreach program for young folk or a building for the Sabrah House maybe. Councilwoman Crenshaw stated, for the record, that she does not find it feasible to now just go and find grants specifically for the Project that you have already allocated a certain amount of money for; "so, I just want to state that for the record when I do not vote for this Resolution. I just want it stated now, the reason why I will not vote for it." President Williamson stated to Mayor Evans that it was his understanding that each phase of this Project will be brought before the Council before any money is spent on said Project, and he, along with Ms. Griffeth, concurred with President Williamson that his understanding is correct. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilwoman Newton, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve Resolution #R226-09/10, Authorization to Enter Into Agreement with Davis Architects, Incorporated for Engineering and Inspection Services Related to the Riverfront Amphitheater Bond Project, in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00 for the Architect's Basic Services, and an additional \$74,240.00 to cover the cost of Consultants and Model Builder for the Riverfront Park, via the 2009 Bond Referendum. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council. There were seven affirmative votes and one nay vote. Councilwoman Crenshaw cast a nay vote.

I. Resolution #R231-09/10 - Resolution Awarding Contract for the Demolition of Condemned Houses to Tyus Trucking and Construction Company. Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have within their packets information as it relates to Resolution #R231-09/10, Resolution Awarding Contract for the Demolition of Condemned Houses to Tyus Trucking and Construction Company. Mayor Evans further stated on a Bid Proposal on Fifteen (15) Condemned houses, sealed bids were open on May 27, 2010, and he would like to ask Council's approval of the same, for the purpose of moving forward. A motion was made by Councilwoman Crenshaw, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve Resolution #R231-09/10, Resolution Awarding Contract for the Demolition of Condemned Houses to Tyus Trucking and Construction Company, for the Contractor's Cost in the amount of \$24,800.00, for Fifteen (15) condemned houses. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.

J. Resolution #R235-09/10 - Resolution Awarding Contract for Memorial Stadium and Bloch Park to M. Gay Contractors, Incorporated. Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have within their packets information as it relates to Resolution #R235-09/10, Resolution Awarding Contract for Memorial Stadium and Bloch Park to M. Gay Contractors, Incorporated, for the Memorial Stadium and Bloch Park Field Lighting Replacement. Mayor Evans further stated, as was discussed during the Work Session last night, this Company is a reputable company, and that he checked all of their credentials and references, and he would like to move forward with this Project. Mayor Evans stated that said Contract amount came up under what was appropriated in the Bond, which is a "plus". During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Bowie, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve Resolution #R235-09/10, Resolution Awarding Contract for the Memorial Stadium and Bloch Park Field Lighting Replacement, in the amount of \$399,000.00 to M. Gay Contractions, Incorporated. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.

K. Resolution #R236-09/10 - Authorization to Utilize Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood to Perform Right-of-Way Services for the Riverfront Property Acquisition. Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should have within their packets Resolution #R236-09/10, Authorization to Utilize Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood to Perform Right-of-Way Services for the Riverfront Property Acquisition. Mayor Evans further stated as was discussed last night during the Work Session, there is some property that does not belong to the City, which is needed for the Riverfront Property Project. Mayor Evans asked Council's consideration and approval of the same. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilwoman Newton, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve Resolution #R236-09/10, Authorization to Utilize Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood, a Consultant Firm from the A.L.D.O.T. "On Call" List, to Perform Right-of-Way Services necessary to complete the appraisal needed for negotiation and acquisition of said Riverfront Property. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.

L. Update on Songs of Selma Park Heroes and "Sheroes" Exhibit. Mayor Evans stated to Council that some months ago he gave them a copy of the potential landmark in terms of creating a type of environment there on the River, where we can recognize Citizens who have done outstanding things in

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our City, or around the world. Mayor Evans further stated that there is a lot of work to be done still, but that this is a "Work-in-Progress" Project.

M. Update on Boards and Commissions' Appointments. Mayor Evans stated to Council that they should each have a copy of the Boards and Commissions' Appointments, within their packets. Mayor Evans further stated as was previously discussed, there are two (2) vacancies that are left and have to be filled by a Council Member, on the Tourism Board. President Williamson asked the Council if there were any "Volunteers" who were interested in serving on said Board? Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Benjamin both volunteered to serve and represent the City of Selma on the Tourism Board. A motion was made by Councilwoman Keith, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve the Appointments of Councilwoman Newton and Councilwoman Benjamin, to serve on the Tourism Board. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.

N. Update on Fire Hydrants. Mayor Evans stated to Council that it was mentioned during our last Council Meeting, to follow up on a situation whereby there was a fire on Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Street, and the Fire Department could not get any water out of two (2) of the fire hydrants, and why they were unable to do so. Mayor Evans stated he met with Mr. Robert Bridges, of the Selma Water Works & Sewer Board, along with our Fire Department. Mayor Evans further stated during that Meeting, a Plan was developed to test and service all fire hydrants within the City of Selma, starting on Broad Street, and moving westward to the City Limits, by the Selma Fire Department. Mayor Evans stated, after the completion of West Selma, the Fire Department will test and service the East Side of Town. Mayor Evans further stated it is anticipated that this Project will take approximately three (3) weeks per side of town to complete, and that said Project is set to start, as soon after the equipment needed is received.

O. Update on Fire Rescue Truck. Mayor Evans stated to Council that the construction of the Fire Rescue Truck is still in progress, and for those who are interested, follow the construction progress online at www.customtruckandbodyworks.com/in_progress_Selma.htm. Mayor Evans further stated said construction of the Fire Rescue Truck is updated on a weekly basis, until construction is complete.

P. Update on Landfill. Mayor Evans stated to Council that the Landfill item is still a work-in-progress, and that a meeting is set for this Thursday. Mayor Evans further stated that he was also able to find out that we are going to be able to accept waste from Globe Metallurgical, Incorporated, which is going to help fund monies to the Landfill.

Q. Announcements. Mayor Evans stated he would like to announce and advise the Council of the following:

(a) *City-Wide Clean-Up Day on July 10, 2010.* Mayor Evans stated prior to the "Clean-Up" on July 10th, that we will be asking Citizens to begin placing their trash out for our regular pick-up. Mayor Evans further stated it is our intent to begin cleaning our City up before the July 4th Holiday, and that there will also be two (2) more City-Wide Clean-Up Days which will be scheduled later on, for September and December, 2010. Mayor Evans asked the Citizens to please be supportive of this effort; *and*

(b) *City Hall - Closed on Monday, July 5, 2010, in Observance of Independence Day.* Mayor Evans stated that the Trash Pick-Up will follow the Holiday Schedule.

R. Update on Plans for the 4th of July Celebration. Mayor Evans stated to Council that he and Councilman Randolph have been working on plans for the City's 4th of July Celebration, as well as, the funding for said Project. Mayor Evans stated that the Project will be the City of Selma, in conjunction with the 4th of July at Taylorville, and that the amount needed to fund this Project, is approximately \$2,500.00, which can be appropriated from the Planning and Development Account. Councilwoman Crenshaw stated that she wanted to talk with Dr. Taylor, but that the event last year was terrible because of the parking on Residents' lawns; parking was extremely tight and "jammed" on the Highway. Councilwoman Crenshaw further stated that she plans to talk with Dr. Taylor, to see if he would not mind us coming to Memorial Stadium, with his Co-Sponsorship. President Williamson asked Mayor Evans if he would work with Dr. Taylor concerning this, and Mayor Evans stated that he will speak to Dr. Taylor as it relates to this. Mayor Evans further stated that the City will be providing Flags, Fans and Patriotic Music, and that he will follow-up with Dr. Taylor to see if he wants to change the venue, and bring back an update to the Council. A motion was made by Councilwoman Newton, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to move forward with the plans for the 4th of July Celebration for the City, and approve the appropriation of the \$2,500.00 from the Office of Planning and Development Account, and include P.S.A.'s for the benefit of the public. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council Members present.

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A. Alcoholic Beverage License - Darrell Steward d/b/a River Pub at Diegos - 8-B Mulberry Road. Attorney Nunn stated to Council that they should have before them an Alcoholic Beverage License Application asking for a Lounge Retail Liquor - Class I License, located at 8-B Mulberry Road; namely, River Pub at Diegos. Attorney Nunn further stated said Alcoholic Beverage License Application was placed on 1st Reading during the last Council Meeting, and is up tonight for Council's consideration of the same. A motion was made by Councilman Bowie, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve said Alcoholic Beverage License Application of River Pub at Diegos. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a majority vote of the Council Members. There were five affirmative votes and two abstentions. President Williamson and Councilwoman Newton abstained from voting.**

B. Resolution #R232-09/10 - Resolution to Place Lien on Property for Abating Weeds. Attorney Nunn stated to Council that what they have before them is Resolution #R232-09/10, Resolution to Place Lien on Property for Abating Weeds, which is the last Step in which the Lien is placed on the property and it is forwarded to the City's Tax and License Department for collection. Attorney Nunn further stated that there are Six (6) properties listed in said Resolution #R232-09/10, and he is asking Council's consideration of the same. A motion was made by Councilwoman Newton, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to approve Resolution #R232-09/10, Resolution to Place Lien on Property for Abating Weeds. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.**

C. Resolution #R233-09/10 - Resolution Declaring Public Nuisance and Immediate Abatement. Attorney Nunn stated to Council that what they have before them is Resolution #R233-09/10, Resolution Declaring Public Nuisance and Immediate Abatement, which includes 23 or 24 properties on the attached list. Attorney Nunn stated this is the beginning stage of declaring the properties a public nuisance by the Council, and authorizes certified letters to be forwarded to the property owners via the City Clerk's office, requiring them to abate the weeds and grass on the said properties. A motion was made by Councilman Tucker, and seconded by Councilman Randolph, to approve Resolution #R233-09/10, Resolution Declaring Public Nuisance and Immediate Abatement of Attached Properties. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.**

D. Resolution #R234-09/10 - Authority to Abate and Remove Weeds Declared a Public Nuisance. Attorney Nunn stated to Council that what they have before them is Resolution #R234-09/10, Authority to Abate and Remove Weeds Declared a Public Nuisance, which is the step that comes after the notices have been sent to the property owners, via the City Clerk's office, whereby the property owner has failed to abate the weeds and/or grass declared a public nuisance. Attorney Nunn stated Resolution #R234-09/10 gives the authority to Code Enforcement and the Public Works Department to proceed in abating the nuisance. A motion was made by Councilman Bowie, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to approve Resolution #R234-09/10, Authority to Abate and Remove Weeds Declared a Public Nuisance. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.**

E. Resolution #R237-09/10 - Condemned Property. Attorney Nunn stated to Council that what they have before them is Resolution #R237-09/10, Condemned Property. Attorney Nunn further stated Resolution #R237-09/10 deals with dilapidated houses; properties that have been classified as "dangerous buildings" and/or a "nuisance" under the Code of Ordinances of the City of Selma. Attorney Nunn stated this is the initial stage, which gives the Code Enforcement Office and the City Clerk's office, the authority to proceed with forwarding notices, via certified mail, notifying each property owner and further advising that said property owner has forty-five (45) days in which to rectify the condition of said property. A motion was made by Councilwoman Newton, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to approve Resolution #R237-09/10, Condemned Property. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.**

F. Resolution #R238-09/10 - 2010 Sales Tax Holiday. Attorney Nunn stated to Council that what they have before them is Resolution #R238-09/10, 2010 Sales Tax Holiday, whereby we have been recognizing every year, since 2006. Attorney Nunn further stated the Sales Tax Holiday will begin in at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, August 6, 2010, and end at 12:00 Midnight on Sunday, August 8, 2010. Attorney Nunn stated said Resolution #R238-09/10, 2010 Sales Tax Holiday, is being presented to the Council for their consideration to participate in this year's Sales Tax Holiday Exemption, during the first weekend in August, 2010. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Randolph, and seconded by Councilwoman Keith, to approve Resolution #R238-09/10, 2010 Sales Tax Holiday. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.**

G. Petition to Vacate Streets and Alleys. Attorney Nunn stated to Council this item was discussed during last night's Work Session, and that said Petition to Vacate Streets and Alleys represents all of the streets and alleys within the United Methodist Children's Home area. Attorney Nunn further stated as can be seen, there is a Drawing within the Petition. Attorney Nunn stated Notices will be forwarded to all of the adjoining landowners, after filing of said Petition. Attorney Nunn further stated during the Work Session on last night, the Council agreed to set the Public Hearing for Tuesday, July 27th, at 5:00 p.m., and the Publication for said Petition on June 20th, June 27th, July 4th, and July 11th.

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H. **Nix Holtsford Fees.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that they should have before them an invoice/statement from Nix Holtsford, as it relates to Attorney's Fees in the amount of \$293.75, which was presented during the Work Session on last evening. Attorney Nunn asked Council's consideration and approval of the same. A motion was made by Councilwoman Keith, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, to approve the Attorney's Fees in the amount of \$293.75, to the Firm of Nix Holtsford. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.

I. **Special Election Cost.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that they should have within their packets the Special Election Cost and the Special Election Calendar, and that the same was discussed on last night during the Work Session. Attorney Nunn further stated it has been estimated that the cost for the Special Election will be approximately \$15,000.00. Attorney Nunn stated that we spoke with both the League of Municipalities, as well as, the Election Systems of Alabama, and it was the consensus of both parties that we not have the Special Election on the date of the General Election in November, due to the confusion that it would cost. Attorney Nunn further stated that he had spoken with Mrs. Ivy Harrison, our City Clerk, who stated she had initially been advised that the Publication Costs would run approximately \$9,000.00, but that she has spoken with the Selma Times-Journal very recently, and been informed that that amount is still being considered and would very likely be lower than the amount initially quoted; that of, \$9,000.00. Mayor Evans also stated that Mrs. Harrison did confirm that the initial quoted amount of \$9,000.00 is being reconsidered, through a conversation with Mr. Palmer and with President Williamson, that there will be a reduction in the amount of \$9,000.00, and would follow-up with Mrs. Harrison on tomorrow. Attorney Nunn stated we pushed the Special Election back to September 28, 2010, and in the event of a Run-Off, that Special Run-Off Election would have to be scheduled the Tuesday after the General Election. Attorney Nunn further stated if said Special Election Calendar meets with Council's approval, he would like to start the Process on tomorrow for a "Draft" to the Justice Department, seeking approval for this Special Election on September 28, 2010. President Williamson stated to Attorney Nunn that September 28th will be fine to have the Special Election. Attorney Nunn stated he will start preparing the documents, and will bring before the Council during the next Council Meeting.

J. **Ordinance #O111-09/10, Ordinance Allowing for Automated Photographic Equipment.** Attorney Nunn stated to Council if they recall during last evening's Work Session, we passed out to Council the City of Montgomery's Automated Traffic Light Control Enforcement Ordinance, and we stated we would have one drafted on tonight. Attorney Nunn further stated the Legislation that went before the Legislature is similar to the one that the City of Montgomery uses, and we have "Drafted" an Ordinance to that effect, which we are not asking the Council to take any action tonight, but to review. Attorney Nunn stated he would like a meeting to be set for he, along with Mayor Evans, the Police Department, and Magistrate's Office, so that we can review this "Draft" Ordinance, to make sure that we can come into compliance with it, because there are a few things that have to be done as it relates to said Ordinance before we can start enforcing it.

K. **Ordinance #O110-09/10, An Ordinance Relative to Appropriate Dress for Persons in Certain Attire; Appropriate Dress for Persons in Certain Places, Public Exposure in Certain Attire Prohibited (Sagging Pants).** Attorney Nunn stated to Council that they should have within their packets a "draft" of Ordinance #O110-09/10, An Ordinance Relative to Appropriate Dress in Certain Public Places, Public Exposure in Certain Attire Prohibited (Sagging Pants), which was requested by a Citizen. Attorney Nunn further stated the City of Demopolis does have an Ordinance such as this, and also the City of Marion, and that the City of Demopolis drafted theirs similar to the City of Marion's. Attorney Nunn stated this is a only a "draft" to be reviewed by the Council, and that he is not asking for the Council to take any action during our Council Meeting tonight; it is just for review, to make sure that this is what the Council wants, and how they want to proceed with it.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

I. **NOISE ORDINANCE**

President Williamson stated he is very pleased to see that 47 Loud Noise Citations were issued last month for Noise, and that he thinks that is the most we have had issued in 1 month.

II. **LITTER**

Councilwoman Keith stated that we want to have by October 1st, our municipal buildings recycling aluminum cans, card board and paper, and that Holly's Recycling will come and pick up. Councilwoman Keith further stated that there is a "draft" recycling resolution that she would like to pass around to Mayor Evans and the Council Members, for their review.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

III. INFRASTRUCTURE

Councilwoman Keith stated that she is anxious to move forward with this item. Mayor Evans addressed the Council and stated that he, along with Ms. Charlotte Griffeth, of the Office of Planning and Development are working on this, and will be bringing an update for the Council.

IV. CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMITTEE TOWN HALL MEETING - MAIN TOPIC - YOUTH VIOLENCE

Councilwoman Benjamin stated that she would like for the Council, all Eight Wards, to consider focusing on Youth Violence, and have "Study Circles" within their Wards for 5 weeks on "Youth Violence". Councilwoman Benjamin stated that the Trainer for this will be Ms. Callie Nelson of the Dallas County Extension Agency, and that she does a really good job on training the facilitators. Councilwoman Benjamin further stated that she would like for Mayor Evans to consider being a part of this as well. Councilwoman Benjamin stated that the Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for June 15th at 6:00 p.m., and that Councilman Randolph and Councilman Tucker will be there, along with Ms. Nelson, to facilitate.

V. WARD 4 STREETS, GUTTERS AND CURBS REPORT

Councilwoman Benjamin stated that she is following up on Thomas Drive, the large hole on Lawrence Street, and a "begin" date for Franklin Street. Councilwoman Benjamin further stated she would like to announce that the burned and abandoned house that she had brought before the Council during last Council meeting, is on the Condemned Property List of Properties to be demolished, which the Council approved during tonight's Council Meeting. Mayor Evans addressed the Council and stated that he has met with Mr. Tommy Smith, Public Works Director, as it relates to this item, and that he has gone out and revisited the property on Thomas Drive, and that it is a work-in-progress as of now. Mayor Evans stated that we are awaiting the plans to come back as it relates to the property on Franklin Street, and that it is also a work-in-progress. Mayor Evans further stated that he is still working with the Realtor as it relates to the hole on Lawrence Street; that it is private property and not City property.

VI. COUNCIL AND MAYOR PARTICIPATION IN CITY OF SELMA YOUTH CONFERENCE

Councilwoman Benjamin stated that our 2nd Annual Youth Conference this year is coming up, and asked for a "Show of Hands" of Council Members, to see who would be able to come, and they are: President Williamson, Councilwoman Keith, Councilwoman Newton, and Councilman Randolph.

VII. P.A.L. CENTER CLEAN-UP

Councilwoman Benjamin stated that there will be a P.A.L. Center Clean-Up on this Saturday, and asked for Council Members who will be able to participate. Councilwoman Benjamin stated that Mayor Evans and almost all of the Council Members will be participating with this effort, and she is excited about it, and looks forward to seeing them on Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m.

VIII. SMOKE OUT CRIME AND VIOLENCE RALLY

Councilman Randolph stated that there will be a Smoke-Out Violence Rally, sponsored by the Selma City Council and the Pride of Alabama Elks Lodge #1170, on this Saturday, June 12th, from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., at the Corner of Church Street and L. L. Anderson Avenue. Councilman Randolph further stated that there will be free Medical Screening, Food, Games and Fun, and that Music and Singing will be provided by our area Male Gospel Chorus. Councilman Randolph stated he would like to invite everyone in the City to come out to the "Smoke Out Crime and Violence Rally", sponsored by the Pride of Alabama Elks Lodge #1170 and the Selma City Council. Councilman Randolph further stated that the Alabama Elks Lodge had a vision of "stepping up to the plate" and doing something about crime in our City, and it is their plan to go to each of the Wards in our City, and make people aware of crime and violence. Councilman Randolph stated that the Alabama Elks Lodge wants to do this Project all summer long, and that they are paying for all of the food. Councilman Randolph further stated that he is aware that the Council plans to meet over at the P.A.L. Center for the Clean-Up at 9:00 a.m., but that he expects to see all of the Council at the "Smoke Out Crime and Violence Rally" at 2:00 p.m. Councilman Randolph asked the Council to let him know if they would like to have a Rally within their Ward, and that they will go from there. Councilman Randolph stated that the Elks is going out all out for this, and he wants to thank the Alabama Elks Lodge for doing this, and personally thank Exalt Ruler Norbert Neely for allowing us to do this Rally.

IX. SPEED BREAKERS ON PLANT STREET

Councilman Tucker stated to President Williamson that he would like to place this item into the hands of the Committee for review.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

X. MILITARY

This item is continued.

XI. CITIZENS' REQUESTS

President Williamson stated when Citizens make requests to the Council, they are making those requests for some type of action on the part of the Council. President Williamson further stated that he wants to make sure that when Citizens come before the Council and make a request, that they are careful about the requests coming from the Citizens in an effort to give them an answer, or at least refer the issue to a Committee for review and a recommendation.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Monica Newton, Chairman

Councilwoman Newton made a report.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE - Councilman Corey Bowie, Chairman

Councilman Bowie made a report and stated, per President Williamson and Councilman Tucker, it was requested that the Administrative Committee review the Public Buildings' Permit Cost. Councilman Bowie further stated that he would like to thank Mr. Finis Harris, City Building Inspector, for gathering the information needed as it relates to building permits. During discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Bowie, and seconded by Councilman Tucker, that the City will not waive any Building Permit Costs except for mitigating circumstances which will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Council and the Building Inspector. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Council.** Councilman Bowie stated that Churches will continue to be exempt from business Permit waiver costs.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - Councilman Samuel Randolph, Chairman

No Report.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Bennie Crenshaw, Chairperson

Councilwoman Crenshaw stated that she chooses to resign as "Chairperson" of the Community Development Committee, and would like to remain on the Committee as a Member. Councilwoman Crenshaw further stated that she would like to take on some of the workload within the Community Development's Office, but that she is already "stretched to the bone" with so many things that she does; so, she is going to acquiesce, in hopes that somebody else can pick it up and start to work with the Community Development Staff. President Williamson stated to Councilwoman Crenshaw if she would remain on the Committee, that would be helpful, and she stated she would.

PUBLIC WORKS/GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE - Councilwoman Susan Keith, Chairperson

No Report.

DISCRETIONARY COMMITTEE - President Cecil Williamson, Chairperson

President Williamson stated that we have \$100.00 in a Discretionary Fund request from P.A.L.S., to assist with Saturday's Clean-Up Day.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES - Councilwoman Angela Benjamin, Chairperson

Councilwoman Benjamin made a report earlier; "Business Items, Item IV".

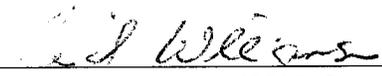
SELMA-DALLAS YOUTH AMBASSADORS - Councilman Corey Bowie, Chairperson

No Report.

CLOSING REMARKS BY EACH COUNCIL MEMBER.

ADJOURNMENT

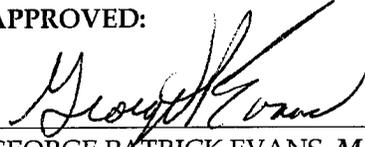
There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Councilwoman Crenshaw, and seconded by Councilwoman Benjamin, to adjourn, and by unanimous consent of the Council, this meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



DR. CECIL WILLIAMSON, *Council President*

ATTEST:


IVYS. HARRISON, *City Clerk*

APPROVED:


GEORGE PATRICK EVANS, *Mayor*