

The Saraland City Council met in regular session on May 14, 2020 at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 6:44 p.m. by Council President McDonald. Roll call was as follows:

Present: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Newton Cromer
Councilmember Paul Stanley
Absent: Councilmember Veronica Hudson

Attorney, Andy Rutens was present.

Councilmember Cromer opened the meeting with prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve the minutes of the meetings of April 23, 2020. Motion carried.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Jamie Warren with Saraland Cares presented Chief James West and Chief Jeff Ludlam with \$25.00 gift certificates for each of the Public Safety employees in appreciation for their service.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to authorize expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00 to repair the Skidmore Park press box. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to approve the following invoices.

General Fund

1. Neel-Schaffer – General Consulting Services – April 2020	\$4,237.50
2. R. Jeffrey Perloff, P.C. – April 2020 Statement	\$3,672.00
3. Motivation Media Inc. – 2020 Census Video	\$3,200.00
4. Civil Southeast, LLC – Skidmore Park Playground Invoice #2	\$1,000.00
5. Geotechnical Engineering Testing, Inc. – Splash Pad – Phase II	\$497.85

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve the following invoices.

2018 General Obligation Warrant

1. James H. Adams & Son Construction – Est. #2 Ft. Kali Oka Rd. \$170,434,.65
2. Neel-Schaffer – Construction Inspection – Ft. Kali Oka Rd. \$8,788.83

Motion carried.

ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES & OTHER BUSINESS

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to adopt a resolution for the Mayor to execute the ATRIP II Funding agreement with Alabama Department of Transportation. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2137

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO
EXECUTE PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING, RIGHT-OF-WAY
AND CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR
ALABAMA TRANSPORTATION REHABILITATION AND
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM II PROJECT
FOR WIDENING OF STATE ROAD 158**

WHEREAS, State Road 158 in Saraland, Alabama is currently two (2) lanes for a large portion of the road that is east of Interstate 65; and

WHEREAS, the two (2) lane section of road includes access roads to the Saraland High School, as well as numerous local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the four (4) laning of the entirety of State Road 158 to U.S. Highway 43 would serve as a benefit to stimulate the revitalization of the U.S. Highway 43 corridor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saraland applied for and received acceptance to the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program II Project, which will provide state funding to four (4) lane a portion of State Road 158 east of I-65; and

WHEREAS, in order to complete the agreement and obtain the state funding to assist in the widening of State Road 158, the City needs to execute a preliminary engineering right-of-way and construction agreement for the widening project from two (2) to four (4) lanes on State Road 158, which has been assigned the ALDOT Project Number of ATRP2-49-20-20-442.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Saraland, Alabama that the Honorable Mayor Howard Rubenstein is authorized to execute and bind the City as it concerns the preliminary engineering, right-of-way and construction agreement for an Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program II Project, specifically the

widening of a portion of State Road 158 east of Interstate 65 from two (2) lanes to four (4) lanes, otherwise referenced as Project Number ATRP2-49-20-20-442.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 14th day of May, 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to adopt a resolution declaring various pieces of Court office/computer equipment as surplus. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2138

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Saraland, as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Saraland, Alabama, has certain items of personal property that is comprised of old, outdated and unused office and computer equipment which are no longer needed for public or municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-43-56 of the Alabama Code of 1975 authorizes the municipal governing body to dispose of unneeded personal property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Saraland, Alabama, as follows:

- 1- Large 3 Shelf TV/Tech Cart Stand w- wheels
- 5- Buddy Products Black Metal Double File Drawer, app. 20 5/8" W x 8 1/4" H x 16 1/2" D
- 2- Buddy Products Black Metal Single File Drawer, app. 10 1/2" W x 8 1/4" H x 16 1/2" D
- 1- Grey Metal Double File Drawer app. 18 1/2" W x 16" D x 7 1/4" H
- 1- Brown Metal Double File Drawer app. 20 3/8" W x 8 1/4" H x 16" D
- 1- Sylvania 13" TV Model #6413TE, security cam picture burned on screen- unknown if it works
- 2- Pcs of Glass 23" W x 41 1/2" H x 1/8" Thick
- 1- Beige Tripp Lite Power Protection Surge Protector- Stock # BC3442 S/N: F02132845- outdated- unknown if it works
- 1- 1991 IBM Info Window Monitor with keyboard- P/N 16F1200/39F7573 S/N: 88-KD442- outdated- unknown if it works
- 1- 1988 IBM Monitor with Keyboard- P/N: 83X7939 S/N: 353X-88- outdated- unknown if it works
- 1- Box 9 1/2" x 11' Perforated Computer Paper
- 1- Box Miscellaneous Cords, computer mice
- 1- Fellowes Clip Board Document Holder/Stand app. 9 3/4" W x 12" H
- 1- 3 M Privacy Screen AF100L app. 10" H x 12 7/8" W – for screen app. 14" diagonal- outdated and not used
- 3- Rolodex Brand Black desk accessory stands app. 14 1/2" W x 12" D x 4 3/8" H (2 are missing 1 wingnut each)

- 1- 3 M Model WR-512 Desk Keyboard Mount kit - app. 26 ¾" W x 11" D- outdated, damaged, and not used
- 5- Box pkgs. Metal Lateral File Drawer Dividers
- 1- Samsung Black VCR Model # SLV960A Serial #61AX101034L/GV1 m/c: L756- unknown if it works- tape stuck inside
- 1- Grey Metal Keyed Lock Box- app. 8 ¾" W x 9 ¼" D x 8" H- don't have key
- 1- L A Raceway "Feature Winner" Trophy
- 1- Blue Card Board File Box app. 6 ¾" W x 11 ¾" D x 5 ¼" H
- 1- Black Notebook Document Holder with attachment- app. 9 7/8" W x 12 ¾" D x ½" H
- 1- 1998 Premier Brand Paper Cutter- app. 16 ¾" W x 17" D (not including Handle end) x 1 ½" H- unknown if it works
- 1- Framed Wall Art- app. 20 ¾" H x 17 ¾" W x 1" D
- 6- Misc. Framed Wall Art- app. 29 1/2" x 23 ½" x 1 " D
- 3- Black Metal Wide Mouth Buckets with Handles- app. 12 1/2" W x 7" H x 12 ½" D @ Top and 7 1/2" D @ bottom
- 1- Mead-Hatcher Tan Metal File Sorter Box- app. 6 ¼" W x 14 ¾" D x 3 ½" H—holds 6" W x 9" H items
- 1- Mc Bee Brand Tan Metal File Sorter Box- app. 7 ½" W x 3 ¾" H x 14 5/8" D
- 2- Boxes Perforated 2 pt. (white/canary) NCR forms- each form 8 ½" W x 3 5/8" H Loose- 8 ½" x 11" Colored paper, assorted colors- app. 3000 sheets
- 2 Full, 1 partial—pkg- Partial Pay Ledger Cards 5 ¾" W x 8 ½" L
- 5- Used Expandable File Holders- app. 12" W x 10" H

Section 1: That the aforementioned old, outdated and unused office and computer equipment is personal property owned by the City of Saraland, Alabama that is not needed for public or municipal purposes.

Section 2: That the surplus property indicated above owned by the City of Saraland be auctioned or donated to charitable organizations.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 14th day of May, 2020.

Councilmember Cromer introduced an ordinance declaring the 2020 "Back-to-School" Sales Tax Holiday on July 17, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday.

ORDINANCE 1165

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SARALAND, ALABAMA, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN "COVERED ITEMS" FROM THE MUNICIPAL SALES AND USE TAX DURING THE THIRD FULL WEEKEND OF JULY, 2020, AS AUTHORIZED BY ACT 2017-120, GENERALLY REFERRED TO AS THE STATE SALES TAX HOLIDAY LEGISLATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF SARALAND, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

To amend Sections 40-23-211 and 40-23-213 of the Code of Alabama 1975, relating to the tax exemption on covered items during the school items annual sales tax holiday.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. In conformity with the provisions Act 2017-120 enacted by the Alabama Legislature during the 2006 Regular Session, providing for a State Sales Tax Holiday, the City of Saraland, Alabama, exempts "covered items" from municipal sales and use tax during the same period, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on July 17, 2020 and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday, July 19, 2020.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be subject to all terms, conditions, definitions, time periods, and rules as provided by Act 2017-120.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this ordinance under the seal of the City of Saraland, Alabama, and to forward said certified copy to the Alabama Department of Revenue to be recorded and posted on the Department website.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective on July 1, 2020.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 14th day of May, 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance declaring the 2020 "Back-to-School" Sales Tax Holiday on July 17, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Newton Cromer
Councilmember Veronica Hudson
Councilmember Paul Stanley

Motion carried.

Unanimous consent being given to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance, motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to adopt the ordinance declaring the 2020 "Back-to-School" Sales Tax Holiday on July 17, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs

Councilmember Newton Cromer
Councilmember Veronica Hudson
Councilmember Paul Stanley

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to adopt a resolution allowing the Saraland Fire Department to apply for a 2019 AFG-S FEMA Grant for Personal Protective Equipment in the amount of \$157,440.00. This is a 95%-5% grant requiring a cash match of \$7,872.00. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2139

RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE 2019 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY'S ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM-SUPPLIMENTAL

Resolution authorizing the Saraland Fire Rescue Department to submit a grant application to the DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY for the purpose of purchasing Personal Protective Equipment in the amount of \$157,440.00. This is a 95% -5% grant requiring a cash match of \$7,872.00.

RESOLVED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this 14th day of May 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to authorize payments for the Cleveland House project and request reimbursement from the CDBG grant. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to authorize emergency repairs for the replacement of the fifteen (15) ton A/C condenser at the Saraland Public Library in the amount of \$7,186.00. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to adopt a resolution for funding from Mobile County pursuant to the 2020 Pay-As-You-Go Road Program. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2140

**A RESOLUTION FOR FUNDING FROM MOBILE COUNTY
PURSUANT TO THE 2020 PAY-AS-YOU-GO ROAD PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Mobile County Commission has requested from member municipalities a list of projects for consideration for funding under the Mobile County 2020 Pay-As-You-Go Road Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saraland is currently involved with bridge and road widening projects in and around Interstate 65 at Exit 15, otherwise known as Celeste Road; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saraland is preparing to expand the projects in and around Celeste Road to include the five-laning of Celeste Road just west of I-65 to Forest Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the road project will affect thousands of residents of Mobile County who regularly use Celeste Road to go to work, transact business and travel to and from Saraland, Alabama, and who regularly use Celeste Road to travel to Citronelle, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the Celeste Road widening project will be undertaken and maintained by the City of Saraland, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the City Council of the City of Saraland that the use of 2020 Pay-As-You-Go Road Program funds is appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Saraland, Alabama as follows:


An official request is made to the Mobile County Commission that the City project to widen Celeste Road just west of I-65 to Forest Avenue be the recipient of 2020 Pay-As-You-Go funding.

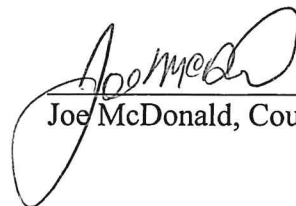
RESOLVED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this 14th day of May 2020.

Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Biggs to adjourn at 6:58 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 28th day of May, 2020.


Judi Smith, City Clerk


Joe McDonald, Council President