The Saraland City Council met in special session on July 24, 2023, at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 7:42 p.m. by Council President McDonald. Roll call was as follows:

Present: Council President Joe McDonald

Councilmember Newton Cromer Councilmember Wayne Biggs Councilmember Natalie Moye Councilmember Veronica Hudson

Melissa Hunter represented City Attorney, Andy Rutens in his absence.

Councilmember Biggs opened the meeting with prayer.

Council President McDonald advised the purpose of this meeting was to approve a truck lease.

Other municipal business may be considered at this time.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson to authorize the mayor to enter into a lease with Waste Pro for a waste truck as needed. Motion carried.

Motion was made Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson to adopt a resolution to authorize the mayor to sign an agreement with Saraland Water and Sewer to allow the usage of City property for relocation of a sewer lift station. Motion carried.

## **RESOLUTION 2293**

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT DEEDS FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION AND ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE RIGHT OF ENTRY TO BEGIN WORK ON THE CELESTE ROAD EXPANSION PROJECT

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the City Council that the expansion of Celeste Road will facilitate economic development in the City of Saraland, Alabama and will alleviate future traffic congestion caused by the City's anticipated population growth; and

WHEREAS, the road expansion project requires the City of Saraland, Alabama to purchase certain tracts of land running along Celeste Road; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of the City of Saraland to authorize the Mayor to accept deeds to the right-of-way tracts necessary for the Celeste Road Expansion Project No. NS-14605, and for the Mayor to enter into agreements for the right-of-entry to begin work on the road expansion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Saraland, Alabama that the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept Deeds for the acquisition of right-of-way tracts for Celeste Road Expansion Project No. NS-14605, and that the Mayor is further authorized to secure and execute agreements for the right-of-entry to begin work on road improvement to be constructed under the project, as set out in the instruments attached hereto for the following tracts of real property:

- 1. Fee Simple Deed to Right-of-Way Tract 4 for the purchase price of \$45,000.00;
- 2. Fee Simple Deed to Right-of-Way Tract 19 for the purchase price of \$22,650.00.

Said documents are by reference made a part of this Resolution as if fully set forth herein, and copies will be on file in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Saraland.

## BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That Mark Jones of Gulf Coast Right of Way Services, the City Engineer, the City's legal counsel, or the Mayor of the City of Saraland, Alabama are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and to execute for and in the name of the City of Saraland whatever supporting documents, affidavits, closing statements, or other forms necessary to complete the right-of-way acquisitions, execute the right of entry agreements, and pay the Grantors the approved purchase price for the tract described herein and to pay all approved closing costs. All approved and funded by the State of Alabama Department of Transportation.

Adopted and approved this 13th day of July, 2023.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Biggs to adjourn at 7:51 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 27th day of July, 2023.

Joe McDonald, Council President

Christine Purvis, Executive Assistant