

Chickasaw City Council

State of Alabama Mobile, County

The Chickasaw City Council met in regular session on February 11, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Barry Broadhead, Councilmember Jim Trout, Jim Hanson, Jennifer White, Ken Sterrett, and Jason Rawls. City Attorney Nash Campbell and City Clerk Michelle Ross were present. Councilman Trout gave the invocation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA - Councilmember Trout moved to approve the agenda for the regularly scheduled meeting on February 11, 2025. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – White, Broadhead, Trout, Sterrett, Hanson, Rawls. NAY-None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Councilmember Hanson moved to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting on January 28, 2025. Councilmember Trout seconded the motion. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – Broadhead, White, Trout, Sterrett, Hanson, Rawls. NAY - None

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR –

- Two appointments to the Historical Commission
 - a. 1st Position—Councilmember White nominated James McInnis for the first position on the Historical Commission, seconded by Councilmember Sterrett. With no other nominations for Position 1, Councilmember White moved to close the nominations.
 - b. 2nd Position—Councilmember Trout nominated Debbie Dubose for the second position on the Historical Commission, seconded by Councilmember White. With no other nominations for Position 2, Councilmember Hanson moved to close the nominations.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

Councilmember Rawls moved to adopt Resolution No. 25-11 – Approving an agreement between the City of Chickasaw and Avenu Insights & Analytics, Seconded by Councilmember White. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – Broadhead, Sterrett, Trout, White, Hanson, Rawls. NAY-None

RESOLUTION NO: 25-11

*A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHICKASAW AND
AVENU INSIGHTS & ANALYTICS LLC FOR TAX REVENUE ADMINISTRATION AND
BUSINESS LICENSE MANAGEMENT*

WHEREAS, the City of Chickasaw has a need to ensure the efficient administration and collection of tax revenue, as well as the proper management of business licenses; and

WHEREAS, Avenu Insights has provided this service to the City of Chickasaw for several years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chickasaw has reviewed the terms of the proposed agreement and has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to enter into a formal agreement with Avenu for a period of three (3) years; and

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WHEREAS, the agreement outlines the specific responsibilities of both parties regarding the administration and collection of taxes and the issuance of business licenses, including timelines, fees, and other applicable conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Chickasaw City Council, that:

1. The City of Chickasaw hereby approves the agreement between the City of Chickasaw and Avenu Insights for tax revenue administration and business license management for a term of three (3) years.
2. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City, including any necessary amendments, provided that it is substantially the same form as presented to the City Council.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF February 2025

Councilmember Hanson moved to adopt Resolution No. 25-12 – Authorized submission of the Safe Neighborhood Grant. Seconded by Councilmember Trout & Rawls. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – Broadhead, Sterrett, Trout, White, Hanson, Rawls. NAY-None

RESOLUTION NO: 25-12

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS GRANT TO ADECA FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Chickasaw has a need to enhance the Police Department's capabilities to investigate and respond to major crimes; and

WHEREAS, the Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs has funding available through the Fiscal Year 2025 Project Safe Neighborhoods grant to support this effort; and

WHEREAS, the total proposed costs of the new equipment and training are estimated to be \$24,580;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council authorize submission of the grant application to ADECA requesting \$24,580 in funds by the deadline of February 27, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized to sign the grant-related documents.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 11th day of February 2025

Councilmember White moved to adopt Resolution No. 25-13 – A Resolution accepting funds from the Mobile County Commission to help fund replacement windows in the Civic Center. Seconded by Councilmember Sterrett. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – Broadhead, Sterrett, Trout, White, Rawls, Hanson. NAY-None

RESOLUTION NO: 25-13

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE MOBILE COUNTY COMMISSION

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FOR REPLACEMENT OF WINDOWS IN THE CIVIC CENTER

WHEREAS, the Mobile County Commission has awarded the City of Chickasaw \$50,000 for the purpose of funding window replacement at the Civic Center; and

WHEREAS, the total required cost for the Civic Center Window Replacement is One Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty-One Dollars (\$153,641); and

WHEREAS, the awarded amount of \$50,000.00 will be applied toward the total cost, reducing the city's financial responsibility to One Hundred Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty-One Dollars (\$103,641.00); and

WHEREAS, this project is essential to ensuring the safety, energy efficiency, and aesthetic improvement of the Civic Center for the benefit of the community

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF CHICKASAW, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED,

1. The City of Chickasaw hereby accepts the \$50,000 grant award from the Mobile County Commission to replace windows in the Civic Center.
2. The funds awarded shall be used exclusively for the window replacement project, which is scheduled for completion in April/May 2025
3. The Mobile County Commission authorizes the appropriate City officials to take all necessary steps to apply and account for the awarded funds as outlined above, including executing any necessary documents or agreements related to this grant.
4. The City of Chickasaw commits to funding the remaining \$103,641.00 required to complete the replacement of windows in the Civic Center

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 11th day of February 2025

Councilmember Hanson moved to adopt Resolution No. 25-14 – A Resolution authorizing the agreement between the City of Chickasaw and Mobile County for Scrap Tires. Seconded by Councilmember Trout and Rawls. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – Broadhead, Sterrett, Trout, White, Hanson. NAY-None

RESOLUTION NO: 25-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHICKASAW AND MOBILE COUNTY FOR SCRAP TIRES

WHEREAS, the Mobile County Commission (the Contractor) and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (the Department) heretofore entered a Contractual Agreement (the Agreement), a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, pursuant to which the Contractor provides certain services consisting of the pick-up and appropriate disposal of scrap tires found in Mobile County, and the Department reimburses the Contractor for actual cost incurred in so doing, not to exceed \$150,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chickasaw, Alabama (the City) desires to provide like services in the City and/or its police jurisdiction; and

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WHEREAS, the Department has consented in writing, to the assignment or transfer by the Contractor of certain interests in the Agreement to the City as set out below:

NOW, THEREFORE, the premises considered, the Contractor and the City agree as follows:

1. The City will provide services as set out in the Scope of Services section of the Agreement within the City and its police jurisdiction.
2. All work performed hereunder shall begin on the date on which this document has been fully executed and shall terminate on September 30, 2027.
3. The City will maintain true and accurate records of the actual costs incurred in providing the services. Questions related to recordkeeping, and all other matters pertaining to the services and reimbursement for the same, will be promptly directed to the Contractor's designee, Chance Hall.
4. The City will submit invoices to the Contractor, in triplicate, by the 20th day of each calendar month, for actual costs incurred in providing the services. Invoices will be prepared in the manner directed by the Contractor. The accuracy thereof shall be certified in writing by the City Clerk.
5. The Contractor will include the City's costs in its invoices submitted to the Department, and will pay over to the City, within thirty (30) days of receipt thereof, the City's share of the costs reimbursed by the Department. The City acknowledges that the Contractor is permitted to submit invoices to the Department only one (1) time per calendar quarter and makes no representation as to the time in which reimbursement may be made.
6. The foregoing notwithstanding, the City will not submit and/or be reimbursed, during the term of the Agreement costs in excess of \$30,000.00.
7. The City will be solely responsible for the accuracy of the costs reflected on its invoices and solely responsible for the reimbursement, to the Department of any overbilled or inaccurate costs.
8. All provisions of the Agreement shall be binding upon the City as though fully set out herein, and the City agrees to comply with each such provision.
9. The Contractor and the City each agree that they have no financial interest in the business of the other, and shall not be liable for any debts or obligations incurred by the other, nor shall either party be deemed or constructed to be a partner, joint venture or otherwise interested in the assets of the other parties, or sums earned or derived by other, and neither shall use the name or credit of the other in making or attempting to make any purchase.
10. In the performance of their respective operation and obligations hereunder, the Contractor and the City shall not be deemed to be the agent of the other party but each shall be deemed to be an independent contractor in every respect. Each party shall take all steps, all its own expense, as the other party may from time to time request, to indicate that it is an independent contractor. The parties do not and will not assume responsibility for the means by which or manner in which the obligations of the other party hereunder are performed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor and the City have each caused this instrument to be executed, in duplicate, on the date set opposite the signature of their duly authorized representative, respectively.

Councilmember Trout moved to adopt Resolution No. 25-15 – A Resolution authorizing the use of Capital Improvement Funds to cover the remaining balance for window replacement in the Civic Center. Seconded by Councilmember White. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – Broadhead, Sterrett, Trout, White, Hanson, Rawls. NAY-None

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RESOLUTION NO: 25-15

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CITY OF CHICKASAW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS TO COVER THE REMAINING BALANCE FOR WINDOW REPLACEMENT IN THE CITY CIVIC CENTER

WHEREAS, the City of Chickasaw has received a generous donation in the amount of \$50,000 from the Mobile County Commissioner to support the replacement of windows at the City Civic Center; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for window replacement is estimated at \$153,641.00; and

WHEREAS, there is a remaining balance of \$103,641.00 is required to fund the window replacement project fully; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it necessary to allocate additional funds to ensure the completion of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Chickasaw Council approves the expenditure of funds from the Capital Improvement Account to complete the window replacement in the Civic Center

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Chickasaw Council approves the expenditure of funds from the Capital Improvements Account in the amount of \$103,641.00 to replace the windows in all three rooms of the Civic Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the disbursement of funds shall be made by the policies and procedures of the City of Chickasaw and any applicable laws and regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk will take any further action necessary to implement this resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 11th day of February 2025

REPORTS FOR OCTOBER 2024

Fire Department: – Total Calls 144 = 117 EMS, 5 Fire, 3 Hazmat, 3 False Alarms – Prichard Water is working on a fire hydrant in Baratara.

Police Department: Given by Chief Parker - Total Calls 815; 16 accidents, 26 arrests, 198 traffic citations

Animal Control Officer: 15 Dogs were picked up, and three dead animals; 3 MOTs

Building Inspector Report: Given by Maurice English—19 Total Permits—11 Building, 5 Electrical, 1 Plumbing, and 1 Utility; 3 Rental Inspections

Environmental Report: 12 Theft of service notices, 4 Warning Letters

Attorney's Report: Nothing to report. Asked for a short Executive Session based on pending litigation.

FINANCIAL REPORT - *Accounts Payable \$74,470.26* - Councilmember White moved to put the accounts payable in line for payment, seconded by Councilmember Trout. Motion carried, and so ordered. The motion for final adoption was passed by the following voice votes: AYE – White, Trout, Broadhead, Sterrett, Hanson Rawls. NAY-None.

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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chickasabogue Park – Community Celebration Opening February 23, 2025. 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- DAC Bond letter – Congratulating the City of Chickasaw for 5 years of dedication to compliance and timely submission of the City Financials.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comments

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

Attorney Nash Campbell asked for an executive session. Reason Pending Litigation The City Council will rise from the meeting to go into an executive session based on Alabama Code §36-25A-7(a)3.

Councilmember Trout moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Councilmember Hanson. Roll Call Vote: White-Yes, Trout-Yes, Sterrett-Yes, Broadhead-Yes, Hanson-Yes, Rawls-Yes.

Others exited the dais at 7:13 p.m.; the Executive Session ended at 7:27 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT—With no further business, Councilmember Trout moved to adjourn the regularly scheduled council meeting at 7:27 p.m., Seconded by Councilmember White. The motion carried, and so it was ordered.

Barry Broadhead

Barry Broadhead, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Ross

Michelle Ross, City Clerk