

MINUTES OF THE SELMA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED
MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2003

The Selma City Council met in special called session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Thursday, January 30, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present: President George P. Evans and Council members Glenn Sexton, Rita S. Franklin, Jean T. Martin, Nancy G. Sewell, Samuel Randolph, Benny L. Tucker, Bennie Ruth Crenshaw, and Councilman James Durry. Others present were Mayor James Perkins, Jr., City Attorney Jimmy Nunn, Interim City Clerk/Treasurer Sequita R. Oliver, and the Mayor's Administrative Assistant Sherri James. Councilman Benny L. Tucker gave the invocation.

After roll call, President Evans declared a quorum present and the meeting was opened for the transaction of business as set forth on the agenda for the special call meeting. A motion was made Councilwoman Sewell and seconded by Councilman Tucker to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of Council.

I. ORDINANCE -WARRANT

W. Stanley Gregory from Bradley, Avant, Rose & White Attorney at Law, presented Council with an ordinance to provide for the issuance of \$3,915,000 principal amount of general obligation warrants. A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Sewell to adopt the ordinance as presented. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried with majority vote of Council. And the motion carried with majority vote of Council. There were (7) seven affirmative vote and (2) negative votes. Councilman Sexton stated that he felt the \$800K lighting project could have been funded by Alabama Power, which might have generated some savings; therefore, he cast the negative vote. Councilwoman Franklin cast the other negative vote. Mayor Perkins stated that the interest rate for the warrant would be 3.6%, which is an outstanding rate, and the debt service would be cheaper over the existing years.

II. RESOLUTION 1993 & 1994 WARRANTS

W. Stanley Gregory from Bradley, Avant, Rose & White Attorneys at Law, presented Council with a resolution stating the Mayor and the City Clerk are each here by authorized and directed to take or cause to be taken, in the name and on behalf of the Council, all of the actions required by the provisions of the 1993 Authorizing Ordinance and 1994 Authorizing Ordinance to be taken in order to effect the redemption on August 1, 2003, of the Called 1993 Warrants and the Called 1994 Warrants, respectively. A motion was made by Councilwoman Sewell and seconded by Councilwoman Crenshaw to adopt the resolution as written. A roll call vote was taken the motion passed with a majority vote of Council. There were (7) seven affirmative votes and (2) two negative votes. Councilman Sexton and Councilwoman Franklin cast the negative votes.

III. SELMA CITY SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTMENT

Attorney Nunn presented Council with a list of the School Board members and their appointment terms along with a copy of the Selma Accord. After a lengthy discussion from all council members concerning the appointment of new members, the consensus was to table the discussion until the next scheduled work session, which will give each council member the opportunity to review and study the Selma Accord.

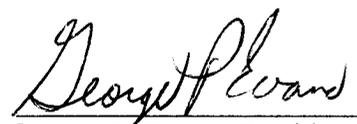
IV. RULES & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilwoman Sewell stated that the committee met for a brief time; however, no rules or regulations had been decided. Councilwoman Sewell stated she was in possession of a copy of the book titled, "Local Government Dollar & Sense," which could be used as a reference. She also stated that it would be advantageous if each member of Council had a copy of the book so they might study and offer advice on setting financial policies. President Evans stated that council members are to notify Ms. Dianna Johnson, Council Secretary if they desire a copy of the book. President Evans asked that further information be provided at the next meeting.

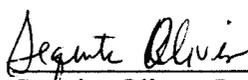
V. APPLICATION FOR JOB VACANCIES

President Evans provided Council with a list of the applicant names for the job vacancies. President Evans asked Council to list the top five or more applicants for the position for Finance Director, City Clerk, and City Treasurer for interviewing purpose. After some discussion concerning the number of name a motion was made by Councilwoman Crenshaw and seconded by Councilwoman Sewell to limit the names to (5) five. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of Council. Mayor Perkins yielded to Valeria Jones, Personnel Director, who suggested that the Council review all names listed. Mayor Perkins asked Council to define the procedures in which the Finance Director position would be filled. Mayor Perkins acknowledged, by law the Council has the appointment for the City Clerk and City Treasurer. Mayor Perkins also stated the law grants him the appointment for Finance Director. After some discussion about the position of Finance Director, President Evans asked Mayor Perkins to allow the procedures to proceed. President Evans also stated upon completion of this process it is possible each Council member would be in agreement of names listed. After some discussion, Mayor Perkins suggested that he and the Personnel Director, Valeria Jones, be eliminated from this process due to the potential for future administrative conflicts. Councilwoman Crenshaw asked President Evans to research the dollar amount for the three vacancies and determine if financing for these vacancies were included in the budget. President Evans stated that he would research the financing of the positions. He also asked Council members to provide Ms. Johnson, Council Secretary, with their list of names at the close of business Friday, January 31, 2003. Councilwoman Crenshaw, Administrative Committee chairperson, is to meet with her committee on Monday, February 3, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. to review the names and report to Council on the next work session on Thursday, February 6, 2003 at 4:00 p.m.

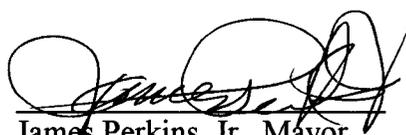
There being no other business to come before the Council, on motion made and duly seconded, the Council voted by unanimous consent to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.


George P. Evans, President

ATTEST:


Sequita Oliver, Interim City Clerk

APPROVED:


James Perkins, Jr., Mayor