

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Commission of the City of Auburndale held October 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Room of City Hall, after having been properly advertised, with the following members present: Mayor Dorothea Taylor Bogert, Vice Mayor Alex Cam, Commissioners: Jordan Helms and Bill Sterling. Commissioner Keith Cowie was absent. Also, present were: City Manager Jeffrey Tillman, City Attorney Frederick J. Murphy Jr., City Clerk Brandon Henry, and Police Chief Terry Storie.

Mayor Dorothea Taylor Bogert declared a quorum present, and the Meeting was opened with prayer by Fire Department Chaplain Rick Mendoza, and a salute to the flag.

Motion by Vice Mayor Cam, seconded by Commissioner Helms, to approve Minutes of the City Commission Meeting of September 18, 2025. Upon vote, all ayes.

City Manager Jeffrey Tillman announced that this week was the first Autumn Acoustics event. It is a reimagining of CityFest - he further explained the event series. Bloodhound Bash is Thursday, October 16th.

Mayor Taylor Bogert asked if there was public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no public comment.

Mayor Taylor Bogert presented a proclamation recognizing National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. City Attorney Frederick J. Murphy Jr. read the proclamation. A representative of the Breast Cancer Foundation of Central Florida accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Taylor Bogert presented a proclamation recognizing Fire Prevention Week. City Attorney Frederick J. Murphy Jr. read the proclamation. Fire Chief Brian Bradway accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Taylor Bogert read a Commendation for Chloe Walker, for being crowned the 2025-2026 National United Junior Miss.

1. RESOLUTION #2025-08 RENAMING BERKLEY ROAD WATER TREATMENT PLANT – JOHN DICKSON WATER TREATMENT PLANT

City Manager Tillman read Resolution No. 2025-08, a resolution renaming Berkley Road Water Treatment Plant to John Dickson Water Treatment Plant. He recognized Public Utilities/Public Works Director John Dickson for his almost 39-years of dedicated service to the City of Auburndale.

Motion by Vice Mayor Cam, seconded by Commissioner Sterling, to approve Resolution No. 2025-08 renaming the Berkley Road Water Treatment Plant to the John Dickson Water Treatment Plant. Upon vote, all ayes.

John Dickson expressed his gratitude and reflected on his years of service.

The City Commission expressed their gratitude to Mr. Dickson for his service.

2. CONSIDER DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT – 92 RECKER ECP, LLC.

Community Development Director Julie Womble said in 2022, the City initiated a comprehensive review of the Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility Service Area, completed by Chastain-Skillman, which identified certain improvements required to serve and allow development in the area. 92 Recker ECP, LLC. plans to develop +/- 1.924 acres of property into a medical office, restaurant and a service garage on the southwest corner of US Highway 92 and Recker Highway. The Utility Study shows that development and construction on the property cannot discharge into the Regional Wastewater system until the Southern Force Main Re-route Utility Improvements have been completed, permitted, and operational along with the planning and design phase of the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant expansion, as identified in the Utility Study.

The proposed Developer’s Agreement is between 92 Recker ECP, LLC. and the City of Auburndale. The Agreement acknowledges that the City makes no representation or warranty as to when it will commence or complete the Utility Improvements. The proposed agreement allows the City to complete the review of all development plans and construction plan documents.

The City and 92 Recker ECP, LLC. desire to enter into the Agreement to establish the respective rights and obligations between 92 Recker ECP, LLC. and the City, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the proposed Utility Infrastructure and Developer’s Agreement. The improvements listed in the Development Agreement plan for current and future development.

Staff recommends approval of the proposed Developer’s Agreement with 92 Recker ECP, LLC.

City Manager Tillman said the proposed Developer’s Agreement was prepared by 92 Recker ECP, LLC. and reviewed by the Community Development Director, Public Utilities Director, City Manager’s Office, and the City Attorney. Staff recommends approval of the proposed Developer’s Agreement with 92 Recker ECP, LLC.

Mayor Taylor Bogert asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion by Commissioner Helms, seconded by Commissioner Sterling, to approve the proposed Developer’s Agreement with 92 Recker ECP, LLC. Upon vote, all ayes.

3. APPOINTMENTS TO THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION BOARDS

City Manager Tillman said staff recommends the following reappointments to the Police and Fire Pension Boards.

Police Pension Board

- Richard Mauer Police Officer (Re-appointment) September 2029
- Bracken Smith Resident (Re-appointment) September 2029

Fire Pension Board

- Robert Barrington Firefighter (Re-appointment) September 2029
- Burris Warner Resident (Re-appointment) September 2029
- Matt McCard Firefighter (Re-appointment) September 2029

Staff recommends approval.

Mayor Taylor Bogert asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion by Commissioner Sterling, seconded by Commissioner Helms, to approve the reappointments to the Police and Fire Pension Boards. Upon vote, all ayes.

4. APPROVE 2026 CITY COMMISSION MEETING AND HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Manager Tillman presented the 2026 City Commission Meeting and Holiday Schedule. Staff recommends approval.

Mayor Taylor Bogert asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Cam, seconded by Commissioner Helms, to approve the 2026 City Commission Meeting and Holiday Schedule. Upon vote, all ayes.

5. STREET CLOSURE REQUEST – BLOODHOUND BASH / FALL-O-WEEN FESTIVAL

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City Manager Tillman said the City has received a request to temporarily close a street in the downtown area to accommodate the very successful combined Auburndale High School (AHS) Bloodhound Bash and Auburndale Chamber of Commerce Fall-O-Ween Festival on Thursday, October 16, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This event was well attended last year and had good participation from the local merchants.

To make the event safer and more pedestrian friendly, the City, Auburndale High School, and Chamber are requesting to permit temporary closure of W. Park Street from Main Street to Pilaklakaha Avenue from 3:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. This allows detouring of traffic from the area during setup and cleanup of the event.

The closing will allow the main activity related to the event to be held in a "safe zone" in the downtown area and closed to vehicle traffic. Staff has no objections to the request and recommends approval. City Manager Tillman explained the layout of the event.

Mayor Taylor Bogert asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion by Commissioner Helms, seconded by Commissioner Sterling, to approve the street closure request for the Bloodhound Bash/Fall-O-Ween Festival. Upon vote, all ayes.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:31:27 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes are true and correct.



Brandon Henry, City Clerk