



## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers

Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM

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### AGENDA

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#### Call to Order, Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

**Adjustment and Approval of the Agenda** — *Items will only be added or removed with the approval of the Mayor and City Council.*

#### Special Presentations

1. **Students of the Month:** Mayor & City Council will recognize the December 2023 students of the month from Bessemer City area schools: Bessemer City Primary School, Bessemer City Central Elementary School, Tryon Elementary, Bessemer City Middle School, and Bessemer City High School.

**Consent Agenda** — *The items of the Consent Agenda are adopted on a single motion and vote, unless the Mayor and City Council wish to withdraw an item for separate vote and/or discussion.*

2. **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Regular Meeting Minutes of the November 13, 2023 meeting.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** City Council will consider adopting the Work Session Meeting minutes of the November 28th, 2023 meeting.

#### Business Items

4. **Acceptance of Official Canvass** - City Council will consider accepting the official canvass of the Tuesday, November 7th, 2023 election:  
  
Becky Smith -270  
Michael Brooks -363  
Allen Hook - 501  
Brenda Boyd -273
5. **Public Hearing for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** - City Council will hold a public hearing to hear public comment about the closeout out of the 2014 (14-D-3029) and 2016 (16-D-3029) CDBG-Neighborhood Revitalization projects. Amanda Whitaker, Director of Funding Services will address Council during the public hearing.

6. **Resolution - Approving Minutes of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):** City Council will consider adopting a resolution that certifies the meeting minutes of the CDBG public hearing.
7. **Public Hearing: Amend Land Development Code (LDC) & Abolish Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments:** City Council will hold a public hearing to hear public comment regarding the abolishment of Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments.
8. **Public Hearing: Amend Land Development Code (LDC) & Establish Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments:** City Council will hold a public hearing to hear public comment regarding the establishment of Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments.
9. **Ordinance to Amend the Land Development Code (LDC) & Establish Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments:** City Council consider adopting an ordinance to amend sections 6.2 and 6.3 of the LDC to increase the number of Planning Board members from 5 to 7. Additionally, City Council will review the submitted applications and consider appointing members to serve on this Board
10. **Public Hearing: Abolish Downtown Development Board:** City Council will hold a public hearing to hear public comment regarding the abolishment of the Downtown Development Board.
11. **Public Hearing: Establish Downtown Development Board:** City Council will hold a public hearing to hear public comment regarding the establishment of the Downtown Development Board.
12. **Resolution - Bessemer City Downtown Development Board - Bylaw Changes and Board Appointment:** City Council will consider adopting a resolution that increases board membership numbers from 5 to 9. Additionally, City Council will review applications and consider appointing members to serve on this Board.
13. **Board Appointment:** Mayor and City Council will consider appointing Robert Johnson to serve on the ABC Board to complete the term of Michael Brooks. This term will expire on June 30, 2025. Per the November 2023 election, Michael Brooks has been elected to serve on the City Council. Thus, he has resigned from the ABC Board.

### **City Manager's Report**

**Council General Discussion** — *This is an opportunity for the Mayor and City Council to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back, or place a matter on a future agenda.*

### **Adjournment Sine Die of the 2021-2023 Council Session**