

Bessemer, Alabama

September 12, 2017

The Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama met in special session in the Council's Chamber of the City Hall in said City on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. Central Time. The purpose of the special called meeting was to discuss matters relating to equalized paving plan for all council districts. The meeting was called to order by Council President Jesse Matthews who was Chairman of the meeting. Wanda Taylor was the City Clerk of the meeting. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: Councilors Cleophus King, Ron Marshall, Chester Porter, Donna Thigpen, David Vance, Cynthia Donald and Jesse Matthews. Absent: None. The City Clerk Wanda Taylor stated that a quorum was present and the meeting was opened for the transaction of business.

The following public notice was posted for this meeting:

## **NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

### **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BESSEMER, ALABAMA**

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The City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama, hereby gives notice that it will hold a special call meeting of the Council, as follows:

- TIME:** 12:00 p.m., or immediately following the conclusion of the Council Planning Session (which begins on the same date at 9:00 a.m.), whichever occurs last
- DATE:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017
- PLACE:** Bessemer City Hall  
Council Chambers  
1700 Third Avenue North  
Bessemer, Alabama 35020
- AGENDA:** The City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama will hold a special call meeting of the Council to discuss, deliberate and vote upon matters relating to:
1. An Equalized Paving Plan for all council districts; resolutions approving funding and authorizing the preparation and letting of bid proposals for the Equalized Paving Plan;
  2. A resolution authorizing the preparation and letting of bid proposals for the paving of streets in the City of Bessemer; and

20. 18<sup>th</sup> Way (20<sup>th</sup> Ave -22<sup>nd</sup> Ave), and
  21. Dartmouth Court (9<sup>th</sup> St -11<sup>th</sup> St)
- all streets being recompiled into a final paving list named B-1192 Bessemer Paving 2016-2017 Street Paving List Estimate dated September 12, 2017 and attached hereto as Exhibit “C”; and

WHEREAS, 27<sup>th</sup> Street (Exeter Ave – Fairfax Ave) Item No. 17 was added to the street paving list by Councilor Donald due to the fact that she agreed to use her BP Capital Improvement Fund Account to pay for the paving of 27<sup>th</sup> Street (Exeter Ave – Fairfax Ave) Item No. 17 on Exhibit “C”; and

WHEREAS, Dartmouth Court (9<sup>th</sup> St -11<sup>th</sup> St) Item No. 21 was added to the street paving list by Councilor King due to the fact that Councilors Porter, Thigpen, Marshall, Matthews and King agreed to use their BP Capital Improvement Fund Accounts, in equal amounts, to the extent that the cost of Dartmouth Court (9<sup>th</sup> St -11<sup>th</sup> St) causes Items No. 16, 18, 19, 20 & 21 to exceed the sum of \$170,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama, in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama regarding competitive bidding, desire that the City Engineer and the City Attorney develop minimum bid specifications for the paving of all of said streets described in Exhibits “B” and “C”, that the same be advertised and distributed to qualified interested bidders and a recommendation be made by the Mayor to the City Council regarding the submitted bids.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Bessemer, Alabama, at a special called meeting duly assembled, with a quorum being present as follows:

1. That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Engineer and the City Attorney to prepare, advertise and distribute bid specifications to qualified, interested bidders for the paving of the streets set forth in Exhibits “B” and “C”.
2. That all bids received from qualified, interested bidders be analyzed by the Mayor and returned to the City Council of the City of Bessemer for award and approval.
3. That the cost of paving 27<sup>th</sup> Street (Exeter Ave – Fairfax Ave) shall be paid from Councilor Donald’s BP Capital Improvement Fund Account.
4. That to the extent that the cost of paving Dartmouth Court (9<sup>th</sup> St- 11<sup>th</sup> St) causes Items No. 16, 18, 19, 20 & 21 to exceed the sum of \$170,000.00, said excess cost shall be paid from Councilors Porter, Thigpen, Marshall, Matthews and King’s respective BP Capital Improvement Fund Accounts in equal shares.
5. That this Resolution shall become effective upon its due adoption.

ADOPTED this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

Councilor Matthews announced citizen’s participation and the following citizens appeared before the council:

Ms. Carol Calhoun 2030 18<sup>th</sup> Street North stated that the streets haven’t been paved in the Pipeshop Community since the county paved them several years ago. Ms. Calhoun stated that she appreciates the care and concern that Mayor Gulley and the council is giving the Pipeshop Community.

Mr. Wendell Stevenson 4049 Lakewood Drive, stated that roads in the Lakewood Estate Community are in terrible condition. Mr. Stevenson stated that on the next paving project he would like for the council to consider his community.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Wanda D. Taylor  
City Clerk