**Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the**
**City of Guntersville, Alabama**
**Monday, October 19th 2026 at 5:00 p.m.**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Guntersville, Alabama met in a pre-meeting in City Hall in said city on October 19th at 4:30 p.m. Afterwards in a regular meeting in Town Hall at 12:00 p.m. Mayor Dollar presided as Chairman. The following members of the Council were present: Sanchez Watkins, Richard Manley, John Myers, Joe Cagle, Rudy Cornelius and Pete Sparks. Anna Frederick was absent. Betty Jones acted as City Clerk for the meeting. Mayor Dollar welcomed visitors and declared that a quorum was present and opened the meeting for business.

Mayor Dollar announced that copies of the minutes from the October 5th 2026 meeting had been distributed to the members of the Council. There being no corrections or additions to the minutes, a motion to approve was made by Councilman Myers, seconded by Councilman Cornelius, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**Personnel Report -** Mayor Dollar called on Renea Rowan for the Personnel Report:
**Garage:** Mrs. Rowan reported that Mayor Dollar selected Billy Joe Simpson to fill the vacancy of Fleet Supervisor in the City Garage. Mr. Simpson has been employed with the City as a Mechanic since 2022 and had been serving as Interim Supervisor for the past several months. The change was effective October 1, 2026. Mrs. Rowan further reported that Billy Joe Simpson selected Jaspen Rowell, an internal applicant, to fill the vacancy of Mechanic. Mr. Rowell accepted the job offer and began his new position on October 12, 2026, transferring from the Street/Maintenance Department.
**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Brian Walls selected Milas Jackson to fill a vacancy of Firefighter/EMT. Mr. Jackson accepted the job offer and began full-time employment on October 19, 2026. Mr. Jackson currently holds an Alabama Firefighter Certification.
**Public Works:** Charlie Minor selected Damian Pruitt to fill a vacancy of Laborer in the Street/Maintenance Department. Mr. Pruitt accepted the job offer and began full-time employment on October 19, 2026. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Cornelius, seconded by Councilman Manley, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**Resolution to Approve Yearly Bids**
Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1511** for the Yearly Bids. Mayor Dollar read the list of the two lowest bidders:

Hot Bituminous Pavement: Vulcan Materials and Grayson Carter & Sons
Plant Mix No. 424: C. A. Langford and Vulcan Materials
Crushed Limestone: Lambert Contracting and C. A. Langford
Ready Mix Concrete Class A: Kirkpatrick Concrete and Lambert Contracting
Traffic Striping: J.C. Cheek Contractors and Ozark Striping Company
Parking Lot Striping: ATL Prime Services and Southern Sealing Services

Mayor Dollar explained that the City would award the bids to the two lowest bidders so that, in the event the lowest bidder did not provide the services during the year, the City could go to the second lowest bidder. This does not guarantee any business to the second bidder and would only come into play if the first bidder did not perform. Motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Watkins, seconded by Councilman Cagle, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**Set Public Hearing for Dendy Investment Group, LLC Rezoning Request**
Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to set a Public Hearing for a request by Dendy Investment Group, LLC to rezone property located on Fossett Road from BG-2 to RS-3 to be held on December 7th 2026. Mayor Dollar reported that the Planning Commission voted not to recommend the rezoning. Motion to set the hearing was made by Councilman Myers, seconded by Councilman Cagle, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**Set Public Hearing for David T. and Natalie Jill Smith Rezoning Request**
Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to set a Public Hearing for a request by David T. and Natalie Jill Smith to rezone property located at 329 Blount Avenue from BR to BG-1A to be held on December 7th 2026. Mayor Dollar reported that the Planning Commission had recommended the rezoning. Motion to set the hearing was made by Councilman Manley, seconded by Councilman Sparks, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**First Reading of Ordinance to Annex Property at 5339 AL Hwy 79 South**
Mayor Dollar introduced an Ordinance to annex property located at 5339 AL Hwy 79 South owned by Joseph and Jaleasa Sorrels. Mayor Dollar stated that this would be the first reading and that the Ordinance would be carried over to the next Council Meeting. The property will come into the City as RS-2.

**Announcements**
- Concerts in the Park continue each Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- The WBS, Library and Museum will be sponsoring Halloween activities October 31st from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- LCCO will sponsor Halloween activities at Livingston Chapel Church October 31st at 4:30 p.m.
- Councilman Sparks announced that the Historical Society is hosting Jerry Ellis at 7:00 p.m. with a report on his book.

**Comments**
Chris Luka of 1313 O'Brig requested speed bumps on O'Brig going to Highway 69.

**There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, the meeting, on motion made by Councilman Cornelius and seconded by Councilman Manley, stood adjourned until November 2nd 2026 at 12:00 p.m. at Guntersville Town Hall**

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 2nd DAY OF NOVEMNER 2026.**

**CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA**
**A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION**

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**LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:** _____
**BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK**