Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the
City of Guntersville, Alabama
Monday, July 6th 2026 at 12:00 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 July 6th 11:30 a.m. to discuss matters to come before the Council. 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, Jason Jones and Rudy Cornelius. Pete Sparks was absent. Betty Jones acted as City Clerk for the meeting. Councilman Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance. 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 June 15th 2026 meeting have been distributed to the members of the Council. There being no corrections or additions to the minutes, there was a motion to approve made by Councilman Myers, seconded by Councilman Watkins, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Personnel Report: Mayor Dollar called upon in Renea Rowan to read the Personnel Report:
Sanitation Department: Jamie Bishop selected applicant Steven Floyd to fill the open position of Laborer. Mr. Floyd accepted our job offer and he began his full-time employment on 6/22/26.
Street/Maintenance: Charlie Minor selected applicant Christopher Bonds to fill the open position of Laborer. Mr. Bonds accepted our job offer and he began his full-time employment on 6/22/26.
Police Department: An interviewing committee selected applicant Jordan Yancy to fill the open position of Police Officer. He accepted the City's offer and is scheduled to begin his full-time employment on 7/20/26. Mr. Yancy is APOST certified. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Myers, seconded by Councilman Watkins and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Approval to Apply for Innovate Alabama Grant
Mayor Dollar entertained a motion for approval to apply for an Innovate Alabama Grant for $450,000.00. This grant would allow the City to install smart poles at the beach area, Williamson Park and up fit the poles Downtown. Mayor Dollar explained the amount we receive would determine the amount of projects the City will be able to accommodate. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Manley, seconded by Councilman Watkins and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Annexation Request by Seibold Creek LLC

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion for action on **Ordinance No. 1168** introduced at last meeting on a request by Seibold Creek LLC to Annex Property Located at 22701 Highway 431 S to be zoned as BG-1A. Mayor Dollar read a portion of the description of the property containing approximately 100 acres with the remainder to be incorporated as if set out in full. A motion to approve was by Councilman Manley, seconded by Councilman Myers and passed by the following roll call vote:

1.	Sanchez Watkins	Yes	5.	Joe Cagle	Yes
2.	Richard Manley	Yes	6.	Rudy Cornelius	Yes
3.	John Myers	Yes	7.	Pete Sparks	Absent
4.	Jason Jones	Yes	8.	Leigh Dollar	Abstain

Annexation Request by D3R Enterprises LLC

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion for action on **Ordinance No. 1169** introduced at last meeting on a request by D3R Enterprises LLC to Annex Property Located at 4015, 4017 and 4035 Alabama Highway 69 to be Zoned as RS-2 . Mayor Dollar read a partial description of the property containing three parcels with the remainder to be incorporated as if set out in full. A motion to approve was Councilman Watkins, seconded by Councilman Cagle and passed by the following roll call vote:

1.	Sanchez Watkins	Yes	5.	Joe Cagle	Yes
2.	Richard Manley	Yes	6.	Rudy Cornelius	Abstain
3.	John Myers	Yes	7.	Pete Sparks	Absent
4.	Jason Jones	Yes	8.	Leigh Dollar	Yes

Set Public Hearing for Bella Terra Italian Restaurant
Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to set a public hearing for a restaurant liquor license for Bella Terra Italian Rest Restaurant LLC DBA Bella Terra Italian Restaurant, 1906 Gunter Ave, Guntersville. A motion to approve was Councilman Cornelius, seconded by Councilman Manley and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Set Public Hearing for Good Day Indoor Golf Club LLC
Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to set a Public Hearing for Good Day Indoor Golf Club LLC DBA Good Day Indoor Golf Club, 364 Blount Avenue, Guntersville (located in the basement of Fants). A motion to approve was by Councilman Myers, seconded by Councilman Cagle and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Councilman Jones
Mayor Dollar called on Councilman Jason Jones who officially resigned as Councilman. Mr. Jones expressed gratitude for the Council, the city staff and employees and his constituents in District 4 and stated this was due to an unexpected career change and relocation. Mr. Jones was grateful for the support he received during his time to serve.

Mayor Dollar declared the seat vacant in District 4 and announced that the Council had 60 days to fill the vacancy.

Announcements:

- Back to school bash will be held July 18 at the Recreation Center from 10:00 am-2:00 pm
- The City prevailed in the Kennamer lawsuit that went to 11th Circuit Court
- The City hosted a great 4th of July Celebration this weekend

Public Comments:

- Charlie Minor of 231 Pleasant Grove Road spoke saying that he felt he was forced to speak after allegations on a Face Book post about a former employee and he wished to state the facts.
- Donna Helms of 2172 Kilpatrick, Cullman spoke regarding her husband John Helms, a former employee, whom she stated he was bullied and harassed.
- Chris Hamman of 226 Greenwood, Boaz stated all the employees were here on their lunch break to support Charlie Minor and that they are treated well and felt valued

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, the meeting on motion made by Councilman Manley and seconded by Councilman Myers, stood adjourned until July 20th 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at Guntersville Town Hall

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 20th DAY OF JULY 2026.

CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

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LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK