Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the
City of Guntersville, Alabama
Monday, September 21st 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 September 21st at 4:30 p.m. to discuss matters to come before the Council. Afterwards in a regular meeting in Town Hall at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Dollar presided as Chairman. The following members of the Council were present: Sanchez Watkins, Richard Manley, John Myers, Anna Frederick and Joe Cagle. Rudy Cornelius and Pete Sparks were 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 September 8th 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 Councilwoman Frederick, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Personnel Report
Mayor Dollar announced that there was no Personnel Report for the meeting.

Whole Backstage Tourism Funding Request
Mayor Dollar presented a Tourism Funding Request from the Whole Backstage in the amount of $56,250.00, consisting of $35,000.00 for new curtains and $21,520.00 for HVAC. Councilwoman Frederick stated that the curtains had lost their fire-retardant safety and needed replacement. Councilman Myers commented that the curtains would be professionally installed. Mayor Dollar commented that the City owns the building and that the Whole Backstage did a tremendous job on the 100th celebration of the building. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Watkins, seconded by Councilman Manley, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

A & D LLC Sales Tax/Business License
Mayor Dollar called on Cheryl Smythe and Anthony Looney to report on A & D LLC sales tax and business license matters. Mrs. Smythe called on City Clerk Betty Jones to report. The Clerk reported that the August payment for July taxes had been returned, but that Mr. Looney had paid a cashier's check to cover the payment. Mrs. Smythe reported that the cleanup would continue and that operating without a business license still needed to be addressed.
Mayor Dollar stated that the Council wished to always be fair to small businesses and never wanted to shut anyone down. Councilman Manley asked Mr. Looney if he had a plan. Mr. Looney replied that he planned to have the cleanup completed within three months and planned to purchase his business license the following day. Mr. Looney understood that he was to appear in Court on Wednesday to speak with the Judge regarding operating without a business license.
Councilman Manley stated that, due to the steps taken by Mr. Looney, he wished to withdraw his motion from the previous meeting. Councilman Myers seconded the motion, and it passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present, with Councilman Watkins abstaining.

Domestic Violence Proclamation
Mayor Dollar read a Domestic Violence Proclamation and presented it to Kelly Irby.

Announcements
• State of the City will be held tomorrow at 8:00 a.m. at the LBW Pavilion.
• MVA Concerts in the Park begin this Thursday.
• Kelly Irby shared an announcement regarding the Cast Iron Cookoff fundraiser being hosted in Boaz by the domestic violence group.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, the meeting, on motion made by Councilman Watkins and seconded by Councilwoman Frederick, stood adjourned until October 5th 2026 at 12:00 p.m. at Guntersville Town Hall

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 5th DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.

CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

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LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK