

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OZARK, ALABAMA
MONDAY, August 17, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Ozark, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Complex at 5:30 P.M. on Monday **August 17, 2026**. Upon roll call the following members were present:

Present: Charles Ward, Mayor
Winston T. Jackson, Council President, Place No. 3
Bryan Macario, Councilmember, Place No. 1
Les Perault, Councilmember, Place No. 2
Brenda Simechak, Councilmember, Place No. 4
Caitlyn Cummings, Councilmember, Place No. 5

Absent:

Also present: Chris Peters, who acted as clerk of the meeting, Joseph McNabb, Heather Cohen and Joe Adams.

Councilmember Cummings gave the prayer followed by Mayor Ward leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Council having read the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on **August 4, 2026** President Jackson asked the wishes of the Council. Councilmember Simechak made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on **August 4, 2026** which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Jackson advised the Council that it was time to set the Agenda. Councilmember Simechak made a motion to set the Agenda as presented, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Cummings made a motion to approve the FY27 Budget with an increase to the line item for Ozark City Schools in the amount of \$884,000 to be paid out of reserve account, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Macario introduced a Resolution for the funding of a retiree bonus under Act#2026-608 in the amount of \$23,103.00 and moved for its adoption, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak introduced a Resolution to Adopt a Transportation Plan for FY 2027 and moved for its adoption, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Cummings. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to approve a contract between the City of Ozark and Ozark City Board of Education regarding Resource Officers in the schools, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Macario made a motion to approve an unbudgeted purchase for an Ambulance Bay Project for EMS, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Simechak. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Cummings made a motion to accept a Wiregrass Foundation Grant for ADA Equipment and authorized the Mayor to sign, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Simechak. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak made a motion to approve a short term lease agreement with Denese Adams and authorized the Mayor to sign, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

With there being no further business to come before this Regular Council Meeting of **August 17, 2026** Councilmember Perault made a motion to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Cummings. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President

City Clerk