

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OZARK, ALABAMA  
TUESDAY, January 7, 2025**

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 Tuesday, January 7, 2025. Upon roll call the following members were present:

Present: Mark Blankenship, Mayor  
Brenda Simechak, Council President, Place No. 4  
Les Perault, Councilmember, Place No. 2  
Winston T. Jackson, Councilmember, Place No. 3  
Stanley Enfinger, Councilmember, Place No. 5

Absent: Leah Harlow, Councilmember, Place No. 1

Also present: Chris Peters, who acted as clerk of the meeting, Director Charles Ward, Joseph McNabb, Heather Cohen, Ozzie Maianeto, Holle Smith and Joe Adams.

Councilmember Perault gave the prayer followed by Mayor Blankenship leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Council having read the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on December 17, 2024 President Simechak asked the wishes of the Council. Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 17, 2024 which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Simechak advised the Council that it was time to set the Agenda. Councilmember Jackson made a motion to set the Agenda with the addition of Item#11 a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Economic Development and Purchase Property, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault introduced an Ordinance to Rezone 4651 S US Hwy 231 from R-4 to TH-20 and moved for its approval, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the Residential Incentive Economic Grant for Bob Harry, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to approve the First and Second Reading Application 160 – Special Retail – More Than 30 Days: Applicant: Harlow Inc.; Trade Name: Live At Harlows, 320 E. College St., Ozark, AL 36360. Owner: Jason S. Harlow 401 Agnes Lane, Ozark, AL 36360, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The vote was recorded as to wit: Ayes, Councilmember Perault, Councilmember Enfinger; Nays, Councilmember Jackson. The Motion passed.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to approve the Use Agreement for Harlow Inc. for Civic Center Alcohol Sales, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The vote was recorded as to wit: Ayes, Councilmember Perault, Councilmember Enfinger; Nays, Councilmember Jackson. The Motion passed.

Councilmember Jackson introduced a Resolution to Declaring Surplus Real Property (Parcel no. 26 06 08 33 2 019 001.001) and moved for its adoption, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger introduced a Resolution to Declaring Surplus Real Property (Parcel no. 26 06 08 33 2 015 001.001) and moved for its adoption, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Economic Development & Purchase Property, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to come out of Executive Session to discuss Economic Development & Purchase Property, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to amend the agenda with the addition of Item #12 to authorize Mayor Blankenship to secure an appraisal on two properties which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve Mayor Blankenship to secure an appraisal on a property on US Highway 231 North and a property on East Roy Parker Rd which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Simechak advised the Council that a Court Report and Financial Report were in their packets for review.

With there being no further business to come before this Regular Council Meeting of January 7, 2025 Councilmember Jackson made a motion to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

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Council President

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City Clerk