

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OZARK, ALABAMA  
TUESDAY, April 7, 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 Tuesday **April 7, 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, Heather Cohen, Joey McNabb, Chief Michael Bryan, and Joe Adams.

Councilmember Macario 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 **March 17, 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 **March 17, 2026** which motion was seconded by Councilmember Cummings. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

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

Councilmember Perault introduced a Resolution to Establish a Police Firearm Retirement Benefit Policy and moved for its adoption which was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Cummings introduced a Resolution to Surplus Property in the Police Department and moved for its adoption which was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak made a motion to approve the First and Second Reading Application 140 – Special Events Retail; Applicant: Rax Country LLC; Trade Name: Rax Country, 320 E. College St., Ozark, AL 36360. Owner: Kelli P. McQueen, 112 Woodland Circle, Troy, AL 36081., which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Cummings made a motion to approve the assigning of lease at 288 N. Union Ave. Space “C” for pending business sale which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Cummings made a motion to rescind the bid to Rodeo Mexican Restaurant for Alcohol Sales at the Civic Center which motion was seconded by Councilmember Simechak. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Macario made a motion to go into Executive Session for Public Employee Negotiation Strategy and asked that Mayor Charles Ward, City Clerk Chris Peters and Joe Adams join the meeting, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak made a motion to come out of Executive Session, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Cummings. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak made a motion to amend the agenda with the addition of Item#11 for ADECA Project 22-LW-1092 Steagall Park Tennis Courts Improvements which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Simechak made a motion authorize the Mayor to prepare a response letter to ADECA Director Kenneth W. Boswell to withdraw the funding request for Project 22-LW-1092 Steagall Park Tennis Courts Improvements which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Jackson 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 **April 7, 2026** Councilmember Cummings made a motion to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Macario. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

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Council President

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City Clerk