



**Vestavia Hills
City Council Minutes
February 16, 2026
5:30 PM**

1. Call to Order

The City Council of Vestavia Hills met in regular session on this date at 5:30pm, following publication and posting pursuant to Alabama law. A number of staff and members of the general public also attended virtually, via Zoom.com, following publication pursuant to Alabama law. The Mayor Pro-Tem called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll with the following:

2. Roll Call

Roll call was as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Rusty Weaver, City Councilors Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, and Mike Vercher

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Ashley Curry

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: Jeff Downes, City Manager; Patrick H. Boone, City Attorney; Cinnamon McCulley, Asst. City Manager; Umang Patel, City Clerk; Michael Keller, Police Captain; Jamie Lee, Director of Parks and Leisure Services; Lori Beth Kearley, Public Works Director; Zachary Clifton, Finance Director

3. Invocation — Tom Bryson, Vestavia Hills Chaplain

4. Pledge Of Allegiance

5. Approval Of The Agenda

Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver stated that items 14 and 15, an annexation for 3583 Valley Circle, needed to be removed from the agenda.

MOTION: Motion to amend the agenda. Motion By: Kimberly Cook. Seconded By: Mike Vercher.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

MOTION: Motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion By: Kimberly Cook. Seconded By: Ali Pilcher.

Roll Call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.
No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

6. Announcements, Candidates and Guest Recognition

Mrs. Cook welcomed Vestavia Hills Library Board member Kathleen Duquette and Vestavia Hills Library Foundation president Ann Hamiter.

Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver welcomed Vestavia Hills Chamber of Commerce Board members Katherine McRee and Bob Barker.

7. City Manager's Report

Mr. Downes reported that the City is in its 11th year in the current building and that routine maintenance is now necessary, including addressing settling pavers at the main entrance to City Hall. He reminded the council of the annual strategic planning work session scheduled for Monday, February 23, and Tuesday, February 24, starting at 7:30 a.m. each day and concluding around 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday. He emphasized the importance of strategic planning for staff to receive direction from the elected body on priorities.

8. Councilors' Reports

Mrs. Cook attended the kickoff meeting for the feasibility study of a library and community building in Liberty Park. She stated that a variety of community groups were represented and that staff, including Cinnamon McCully, reviewed baseline information and prior strategic planning work.

She also reported receiving calls from residents about mattresses and dead deer carcasses on I-459, and additional maintenance issues on ALDOT right-of-way at I-65. Public Services Director Lori Beth Kearley is coordinating with ALDOT to address these concerns as the City desires clean, well maintained interstate corridors that intersect our borders.

Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver reported that the February Planning and Zoning meeting reviewed two rezoning requests: a commercial project off Sicard Hollow and a project at Bellwood and Autumn Lane in Cahaba Heights. An earlier proposal was withdrawn over density concerns, but a new developer submitted a lower-density plan aligned with prior guidance. The Board unanimously recommended approval of both rezonings for council consideration.

9. Approval Of Minutes – February 2, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

The Mayor Pro-Tem announced that the February 2, 2026, regular meeting minutes are being presented for approval. He opened the floor for a motion.

MOTION: Motion By: Kimberly Cook. Seconded By: Mike Vercher.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

10. Proclamation for Arbor Week, February 15-21, 2026

Mr. Vercher presented a Proclamation designating February 15 - 21, 2026, as "Arbor Week." Mr. Downes read the Proclamation aloud, and Mr. Vercher presented it to Katie

Wiswall, Urban & Community Forestry Partnership Coordinator. Ms. Wiswall presented "Tree City USA" materials to the council.

11. Financial Reports - Zachary Clifton, Finance Director

Finance Director Zachary Clifton presented the November 2025 financial statements. He read and explained the balances.

Old Business (Public Hearing)

12. Public Hearing - Resolution Number 5617 - Annexation - 90-Day - 2811 Acton Place; Lots 1&2, Acton's Addition to Altadena Valley, First Sector; Amanda Key, Owner

MOTION: Motion to approve Resolution 5617 as presented. Motion by: Kimberly Cook. Seconded by: Mike Vercher.

Mrs. Cook summarized the Annexation Review Committee's process and the reason for both a 90-day resolution and an overnight ordinance. This property meets annexation criteria, with an assessed value of \$416,200. At the committee hearing, petitioners asked about the City widening a narrow road, and staff said this is unlikely because the street is multi-jurisdictional. The family has two children planning to enroll in city schools.

The Mayor Pro-Tem opened the floor for a public hearing. There being no one present to address the Council on this issue, the Mayor Pro-Tem closed the public hearing and called for the question.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

13. Public Hearing - Ordinance Number 3314 - Annexation - Overnight - 2811 Acton Place; Lots 1&2, Acton's Addition to Altadena Valley, First Sector; Amanda Key, Owner

MOTION: Motion to approve Ordinance 3314 as presented. Motion By: Kimberly Cook. Seconded By: Mike Vercher.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

14. Public Hearing - Resolution Number 5619 - Annexation - 90-Day - 3583 Valley Cir. - Lot 19 Blk 1 Dolly Ridge Ests 2 Add; Youseph Anwar, Owner

Removed from the agenda.

15. Public Hearing - Ordinance Number 3315 - Annexation - Overnight - 3583 Valley Cir. - Lot 19 Blk 1 Dolly Ridge Ests 2 Add; Youseph Anwar, Owner

Removed from the agenda.

**16. Public Hearing - Resolution Number 5620 - Annexation – 90-Day - 2941
Old Rocky Ridge Road; Patrick & Suzanne Echols, Owners**

MOTION: Motion to approve Resolution 5620 as presented. Motion by: Kimberly Cook. Seconded by: Mike Vercher.

Mrs. Cook reported that the property, owned by Patrick and Suzanne Eccles, meets City annexation criteria with an assessed value of \$298,800. Staff noted only a minor concern about a driveway pipe and no major issues.

The Mayor Pro-Tem opened the floor for a public hearing. There being no one present to address the Council on this issue, the Mayor Pro-Tem closed the public hearing and called for the question.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

**17. Public Hearing - Ordinance Number 3316 - Annexation - Overnight - 2941
Old Rocky Ridge Road; Lot 17; Patrick & Suzanne Echols, Owners**

MOTION: Motion to approve Ordinance 3316 as presented. Motion By: Kimberly Cook. Seconded By: Mike Vercher.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

**18. Public Hearing - Resolution Number 5621 - Annexation – 90-Day - 2656
Alta Vista; Lot 22 Altadena Valley Country Club Sector 66/39; Hardie &
Katherine Kimbrough, Owner**

MOTION: Motion to approve Resolution 5621 as presented. Motion By: Kimberly Cook. Seconded By: Mike Vercher.

Mrs. Cook reported the property, owned by Hardy and Katherine Kimbrough, meets City annexation criteria with an assessed value of \$347,100, and staff notes no concerns.

The Mayor Pro-Tem opened the floor for a public hearing. There being no one present to address the Council on this issue, the Mayor Pro-Tem closed the public hearing and called for the question.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

**19. Public Hearing - Ordinance Number 3317 - Annexation - Overnight - 2656
Alta Vista; Lot 22 Altadena Valley Country Club Sector 66/39; Hardie &
Katherine Kimbrough, Owner**

MOTION: Approve Ordinance 3317 as presented. Motion By: Kimberly Cook. Seconded By: Ali Pilcher.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike

Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

New Business

20. Public Hearing - Resolution Number 5624 - Approving a special event license for All Shook Up Bar and Beverage Catering LLC d/b/a All Nashville Roadshow; Brent Kennamer, Executive

MOTION: Approve Resolution 5624 as presented. Motion by: Mike Vercher. Seconded by: Ali Pilcher.

Mrs. Cook reported Mr. Downes explained the event logistics, including a 500-ticket limit, use of off-duty and regular police to provide security.

The Mayor Pro-Tem opened the floor for a public hearing. There being no one present to address the Council on this issue, the Mayor Pro-Tem closed the public hearing and called for the question.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

21. Resolution Number 5625 - A Resolution appointing a voting delegate for the Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Business Meeting on April 30, 2026

MOTION: Approve Resolution 5625. Motion by: Ali Pilcher. Seconded by: Kimberly Cook.

Mr. Downes explained that the resolution authorizes the Mayor to vote on the city's behalf at the Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Business Meeting.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike Vercher.

No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

22. Public Hearing - Ordinance Number 3318 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to Execute a License Agreement with the Vestavia Hills Board of Education Allowing the Use of Parking Spaces Located on Lime Rock Road.

MOTION: Motion to approve Ordinance 3318 as presented. Motion by: Ali Pilcher. Seconded by: Kimberly Cook.

Mr. Downes explained the school has long used the city right-of-way spaces and now seeks a formal license to clarify use, programming, and liability.

The Mayor Pro-Tem opened the floor for a public hearing. There being no one present to address the Council on this issue, the Mayor Pro-Tem closed the public hearing and called for the question.

VOTE: Roll call vote as follows: Yes: Rusty Weaver, Kimberly Cook, Ali Pilcher, Mike

Vercher.
No: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

New Business Requesting Unanimous Consent (Public Hearing)

First Reading (No Action To Be Taken At This Meeting)

23. Citizens Comments

None

24. Time Of Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Cook made a motion to adjourn. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 5:55.



Rusty Weaver, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTESTED BY:



Umang Patel, City Clerk