



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, October 6, 2025

4:00 PM

Council Chambers

Work Session/Council Meeting

Public Hearings

[25-0517](#)

Public Hearing to Declare Weeds to be a Public Nuisance and to Order its Abatement Located at 1810 S. Cedar St., Foley, AL 36535.

President Trawick opened the Public Hearing at 4:00pm. He asked for comments from the public. Hearing no comments, he closed the Public Hearing.

Call to Order

President Trawick called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.

Roll Call

All Council Members were present. Also present: Mayor Ralph G. Hellmich, City Administrator Mike Thompson, Assistant City Clerk Christi Watkins, Darrell Russell, Michelle Deerman, Taylor Davis, Leslie Gahagan, Chief Kevin Carnley, Stephen Waters, Susan Keaty, Pam Harris, Amber Bushnell, Donna Haginas, Logan Eberly, Jeff Lee, Larry Engel, Jane Tyler, Cindy Brothers, Angela Sherman, Jamie Smith, Guy Busby, David Thompson, Miriam Boone, Tim Lower, Jonathon Cottis, Esther Milne, Terry Burkle, Ted Hughes, Lisa Yeater, Dallas Wyatt, Sherri Blackwell, Fred Burkle, Merilee Slata, Suzanne Kellams, Wayne Dyess, Cian Harrison, Miranda Bell and Judge Michael Dasinger.

Present: 5 - Wayne Trawick, Vera Quaites, Rick Blackwell, Charles Ebert III and Roderick Burkle

Moment of Reflection

Pledge of Allegiance

Swearing in Ceremony

[25-0513](#)

Oath of Office administered to Council Member Roderick Burkle

The Honorable Michael Dasinger, Judge City of Foley, AL presented the Oath of Office to Council Member Roderick Burkle.

Proclamation

[25-0546](#)

Proclamation: Recognizing Domestic Violence Awareness Month as October, 2025.

Attachments: [Domestic Violence Month](#)

Mayor Hellmich presented the proclamation recognizing Domestic Violence Month as October, 2025.

Work Session Discussion

Additions/Removals/Carry-Overs

There were no additions, removals or carry-overs to report.

Consent Agenda

[25-0516](#)

Work Session/Council Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2025

Attachments: [9-15-2025 Work Session Council Meeting Minutes Draft](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, to approve the Work Session/Council Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2025. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0544](#)

Departmental Reports

Attachments: [Subdivision Regulations](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Ordinances

[25-0521](#)

(Second Reading) An Ordinance Accepting Public Rights-of-Way and Infrastructure Improvements in Ledgewick Subdivision Phases 1, 2b, and 3 for City Maintenance.

Attachments: [Ledgewick 1, 2b & 3 Request Bond Release Letter](#)
 [ROW Update 24-2029ORD](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0523](#)

(Second Reading) An Ordinance Setting a Maximum Axle Limit for Park Avenue Between South Hickory Street and South Pine Street.

There were no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0527](#)

(Second Reading) An Ordinance Declaring Certain Real Property Surplus and No Longer Needed for Municipal Purposes and Authorizing the Sale of the Same

Attachments: [City of Foley - Purchase Agreement Marinetrans now Baldwin Industrial](#)
[Development Agreement - Marinetrans now Baldwin Industrial](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0530](#)

(Second Reading) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FOLEY ZONING CODE TO REGULATE MINING AND QUARRYING OPERATIONS

Attachments: [ZO Amendment Backup.pdf](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0531](#)

(Second Reading) An Ordinance Declaring Certain Real Property Surplus and No Longer Needed for Municipal Purposes and Authorizing the Sale of the Same

Attachments: [Development Agreement - City of Foley & Brabner \(1\)](#)
[City of Foley - Purchase Agreement Brabner & Hollon, Inc. \(1\)](#)
[Ex B to Development Agreement Brabner Mr. Denison Crocker request](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0532](#)

(Second Reading) An Ordinance Declaring Certain Real Property Surplus and No Longer Needed for Municipal Purposes and Authorizing the Sale of the Same

Attachments: [City of Foley - Purchase Agreement A-1 Insulating](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0537](#)

(SECOND READING) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF FOLEY ZONING ORDINANCE

Attachments: [Backup for ZO Amendments Misc.pdf](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0553](#)

(Second Reading) AN ORDINANCE REAFFIRMING THE PERSONNEL SYSTEM POLICY WITH REGARD TO APPOINTED CITY OFFICIALS

President Trawick reported that the approval of this Ordinance allows the Council to reaffirm and clarify the designation of certain positions within the City as Appointed City Officials pursuant to PSP § 1.2(4) and Alabama Code § 11-43-3.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0290](#)

(Second Reading) An Ordinance Accepting Public Rights-of-Way and Infrastructure Improvements In Blue Marlin LLC (Marlin Place Subdivision) for City Maintenance

Attachments: [Blue Marlin LLC](#)
 [ROW Update 24-2029ORD](#)

Deputy Engineer Taylor Davis reported that the Engineering Department inspected the right-of-ways and gave the recommendation to move forward.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-2033 ORD

Resolutions and Other Business

[25-0505](#)

A Resolution Appointing Roderick Burkle as Successor for The City of Foley Council District 3 Vacancy and Serve the Remainder of the Unexpired Term.

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Roderick Burkle, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1335-RES

25-0503

A Resolution Waiving Fees for the Use of the Old Foley Sports Complex for the Foley Lions Club LeTour De Foley 2025 Bicycle Ride.

Attachments: [2025 TDF Prelim Map Start At Baseball Complex](#)
 [Lions Club TDF Special Events Application 2025](#)
 [Required Documents - Special Event App - 2025 Le Tour De Foley](#)

Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Lee reported The Foley Lions Club and Jerry Renkenberger are requesting assistance from Public Safety officials for the bike route as well as the use of the Old Foley Sports Complex entrance pavilion, bathrooms and parking on November 15, 2025 from 6:00 am until 3:00 pm for the LeTour De Foley charity bike ride. They are planning to have 3 six-foot tables and chairs for volunteers, refreshments, prizes and a hand-held bullhorn for the welcome and the ride start. They respectfully request that the fees for the use of the Foley Sports Complex be waived. All proceeds for the event allow the civic groups participating to continue community service in this area.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1336-RES

25-0504

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY (Otis L. Gatlin, David Gatlin, Victoria G. Young, James M. Gatlin and John S. Gatlin, Jr.)

Attachments: [City of Foley - Purchase Agreement Gatlin Family](#)
 [Donation Agreement - Gatlin Lumber - City of Foley](#)
 [Gatlin Family Purchase and Donation of Real Property Resolution](#)

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported that the property acquisition is for the north side of Violet, with the seller also donating a partial parcel on the south side of Violet.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by a majority vote: Council Member Quaites, aye; Council President Trawick, aye; Council Member Blackwell, aye; Council Member Ebert, III, aye; Council Member Burkle abstain.

Aye: 4 - President Wayne Trawick, Council Member Vera Quaites, Council Member Rick Blackwell and Council Member Charles Ebert III

Abstain: 1 - Roderick Burkle

Enactment No: 25-1337-RES

[25-0509](#)

A Resolution Approving the Purchase of a New Way Sidewinder ASL Garbage Truck

Attachments: [SECQ8466 ASL](#)
 [Chad-Raybon-Sanitation](#)

Director of Public Works Darrell Russell reported that to better serve the citizens of Foley, the Sanitation Department requests to purchase a New Way Sidewinder XTR ASL Garbage Truck from Sansom Equipment Company under Sourcewell for \$415,665.00. This item is in the FY26 budget listed as Automated Garbage Truck for \$420,000. This purchase will allow the Sanitation Department to allocate older model garbage trucks as backups in case of unforeseen mechanical breakdowns.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1338-RES

[25-0510](#)

A Resolution Approving the Purchase of a Knuckleboom Loader for the Sanitation Department.

Attachments: [Petersen TL-3 Foley, AL \(Peterbilt Stock\) 2025 5.12.25](#)
 [Chad-Raybon-Sanitation-Department](#)

Public Works Director Darrell Russell reported Residential Sanitation requests to purchase a 2025 Peterbilt 537 Knuckleboom Loader from Environmental Products Group for \$234,634.76 under Sourcewell contract. This is a planned FY26 purchase for \$240,000.00. This item is an addition to Sanitation's Knuckleboom fleet in order to better serve the citizens of Foley.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1339-RES

[25-0511](#)

ABC License: 140 - Special Events Retail - for Beach Life Events Inc., applicant operating under the trade name Tacos and Tequila Festival, located at 200 N McKenzie St., Foley, Alabama 36535.

Attachments: [ABC Application - Tacos and Tequila Festival \(2\)](#)

Foley Fire and Police Departments recommended to move forward with the ABC License.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member era Quaites, to approve the ABC License. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[25-0512](#)

A Resolution to Approve the Purchase of a 2026 Kenworth Heavy Haul Lowboy for the Street Department.

Attachments: [City of Foley Kenworth W900L Lowboy Quote \(1\)](#)
 [Chad-Raybon-Street-Department \(11\)](#)

Public Works Director Darrell Russell reported that the Street Department requests to purchase a 2026 Kenworth W900L Heavy Haul Lowboy from Truckworx for \$312,448.00. This is a planned purchase for FY26 and described in the budget as a Tractor Trailer for \$290,000.00. The price for this truck is slightly higher than what was budgeted but we plan to come in under budget on other capital purchases to offset the cost.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1340-RES

[25-0514](#)

Resolution Approving the Ammons & Blackmon's Change Order #3

Attachments: [CITY OF FOLEY CO 3 CHANGES Bid Tom](#)
 [Chad-Raybon-Engineering](#)

Deputy Engineer Taylor Davis reported Engineering is requesting a change order due to the need for necessary utility work and concrete upgrades for the new Public Works Campus in the amount of \$19,343.50.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1341-RES

[25-0520](#)

A Resolution Approving the Aaronville Park Lighting Improvement Capital Project.

Attachments: [Jeff-Lee-Parks-Recreation](#)

Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Lee reported that they are requesting council approval to allocate funds for lighting improvements at Aaronville Park as well as approving a new electric meter service from Riviera Utilities for these lights. This project consists of adding new Musco LED sports lighting to the baseball field and 2 basketball courts, which are not currently lit. We plan to purchase the lights through Musco Sports Lighting using Sourcewell Contract #041123. The average estimated monthly fee for the new electric meter for these lights is expected to be around \$150. He stated they are requesting permission to bid the installation of the lights and any other components needed to complete this project. The total amount planned for this project is \$440,000.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1342-RES

[25-0522](#)

A Resolution to Set a Public Hearing to Consider an Ordinance Setting a Maximum Axle Limit for Park Avenue between South Hickory Street and South Pine Street

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1343-RES

[25-0525](#)

A Resolution Accepting the FY2025 Legislative Event Grant

Attachments: [LOU City of Foley](#)
 [Budget Increase Form](#)

Environmental Director Leslie Gahagan reported The Nature Parks Department requested Council permission on 25-1103-RES to apply for the FY25 Legislative Event Grant that was submitted on behalf of the City of Foley by Representative Francis Holk-Jones. The City of Foley's Christmas Light Trail event has been awarded a \$2,600 grant with no matching funds required. These funds will be used for event operations.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1344-RES

[25-0526](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REPURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY BETWEEN BALDWIN COLD LOGISTICS LLC, AND THE CITY OF FOLEY

Attachments: [Baldwin Cold Logistics - FOLEY BEACH EXPRESS PROJECT PROPOSAL](#)
 [Baldwin Cold Logistics Deed](#)
 [Baldwin Cold Logistics Development Agreement](#)
 [Purchase Agreement - Baldwin Cold Logistics Buy-Back](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1345-RES

[25-0528](#)

A Resolution to Accept ALDOT's Grant Offer and the Bid Submitted by Ameriseal of Ohio, Inc. for the North and South Apron Pavement Maintenance Project at the Foley Municipal Airport

Attachments: [Foley Municipal Airport State Grant Offer 5R4-01-0925-A-PM - signed](#)
[1203873.001- Bid Tab](#)
[1203873.001_Bid Result Letter_OWNER](#)
[Capital Project Form Approval - Airport Apron Rehab](#)

Logan Eberly reported that this resolution is for the acceptance of ALDOT's grant offer in the amount of \$303,755 for the north and south pavement maintenance project at the Foley Airport and Ameriseal of Ohio's bid in the amount of \$331,280.75 to do the work.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1346-RES

[25-0533](#)

A Resolution Requesting Permission to Solicit Bids for Construction of Miflin Road Access Management Plan Phase 1.

Attachments: [Res 19-1361 Miflin Rd Access](#)
[24-1323RES](#)
[RES 20-1062 Miflin Rd Access \(1\)](#)

Deputy Engineer Taylor Davis reported Miflin Road Access Management Plan was approved with Resolution 19-1361, Resolution 20-1062 approved Baskerville-Donovan, Inc's professional services for Phase 1 design of the Access Management Plan, Resolution 24-1323 approved additional funding for Baskerville-Donovan, Inc to complete Phase 1 design. We are now ready to solicit bids for construction.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1347-RES

[25-0535](#)

A Resolution to Approve the Surplus and Donation of Police Uniform Gear To Another Police Agency

Police Chief Kevin Carnley reported that over the last few years the officers have been issued new outer vest carriers, leaving us with 10 outer vest carriers that are no longer being utilized. The Elberta Police Department has expressed a need for these carriers. The Foley Police Department requests approval to surplus and donate (10) of our old outer vest carriers to the Elberta Police Department.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Roderick Burkle, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1348-RES

[25-0536](#)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FACADE IMPROVEMENT

INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Attachments: [Backup for Amendment.pdf](#)

Community Development Director Miriam Boone reported that this item is to create the Facade Improvement Incentive Grant Program for the Local Downtown Historic District and the National Register Historic District and also to add some clean up for the Finance Department.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1349-RES

[25-0539](#)

A Resolution Approving Going to Bid for the Chicago Street Improvements from US 98 to Orange Avenue

Attachments: [Capital Budget Increase Form](#)

Deputy Engineer Taylor Davis reported it was previously approved under 25-1154-RES, the City entered into an agreement with Jade Consulting for the development of the plans for the Chicago Street improvements. The plans are now complete and the project is ready to be bid. This project is budgeted in the FY26 capital projects for an estimated \$500,000. The Engineering Department wishes to appropriate the budgeted funding and requests to move forward with award if the bids come in under budget.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by a majority vote: Council Member Quaites, aye; Council Member Burkle, aye; Council President Trawick, aye; Council Member Blackwell, aye; Council Member Ebert, III, nay;

Aye: 4 - President Wayne Trawick, Council Member Vera Quaites, Council Member Rick Blackwell and Roderick Burkle

Nay: 1 - Council Member Charles Ebert III

Enactment No: 25-1350-RES

[25-0541](#)

A Resolution to Set a Public Hearing to Consider Zoning Ordinance Amendments

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1351-RES

[25-0542](#)

A Resolution to Set a Public Hearing to Consider Amending the Foley Zoning Code to Regulate Mining and Quarrying Operations

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1352-RES

[25-0543](#)

A Resolution to Apply for the FY26 Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program II (ATRIP-II) for Mifflin Road / SR 161 Intersection Improvements

Logan Eberly reported The Engineering Department requests permission to apply for the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program II (ATRIP-II) for intersection improvements to Mifflin Road / SR 161. The maximum grant award is \$2,000,000. There are no set match requirement, but we anticipate including up to a 33% match based on projected project costs. Applications are due by November 14, 2025

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1353-RES

[25-0545](#)

Resolution Approving the Additional Services Amendment Proposal from Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood LLC for the Mills Park Property Improvements Project.

Attachments: [Foley - Mills Community Park Proposal - Add Services - 2025-09-17 \(2\)](#)
[24-1390 RES - Mills Park Improvements](#)
[24-1203 RES - Mills Park Improvements](#)
[24-1413 RES - Mills Park Improvements](#)
[23-1412 RES - Mills Park Improvements](#)
[David-Thompson-Leisure-Services \(3\)](#)

Executive Director of Leisure Services David Thompson reported that Leisure Services received a professional services proposal for additional services from Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood, LLC. for the Mills Community Park Project, in the amount of \$37,400. The additional services are provided in response to unforeseen changes to the existing conditions for the Mills Community Park. These services will be provided to further study and revise existing stormwater plans in the context of newly altered site condition and incorporate changes requested. The Scope of Services includes: Topo & Tree Survey, Stormwater Revisions & Coordination, Site Plan Revisions, Cost Estimates, Additional Permitting (as needed) and Project Phasing (as needed). Public Works will help with the site work for this project, requesting \$200,000 for the rental of the needed equipment to complete the task.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1354-RES

[25-0549](#)

A Resolution Approving Change Order #1 and the Transfer of Funds to the City Hall Conference Room Renovation Project

Attachments: [Capital Project Form](#)

Municipal Complex Director Pam Harris reported The City Hall Conference Room renovation was originally approved for \$120,000 with G&H Systems under 25-1199-RES. An change order has been submitted for additional expenses related to the renovation including a wood wall behind the TV and signage for the focus wall among other necessities. The funding is available within the same GL code 400-1010-5108, but under the City Hall Flooring Renovation project code CH1. We are requesting to approve Change Order #1 and transfer \$10,000 from 400-1010-5108 CH1 (City Hall Flooring) to 400-1010-5108 CH2 (Conference Room Renovations).

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1355-RES

[25-0550](#)

A Resolution to Memorialize the Approval and Waiving of Fees of Heritage Park for Nicole Rye with American Legacy Co.

Attachments: [Special Event App - Nicole Rye](#)

Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Lee reported Nicole Rye with American Legacy Co. has requested the use of Heritage Park for a celebration of Charlie Kirk's Birthday and community unity. This event is schedule for October 14, 2025 from 6 - 8 pm and they expect to have around 200 attendees. They will provide their own tables, sounds equipment, and screen. Due to the timing of this request and the need to begin advertising, staff has already reviewed and approved the request.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1356-RES

[25-0551](#)

A Resolution to Reappoint Barbara Ingram To The Industrial Development Board

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1357-RES

[25-0552](#)

A Resolution Approving the Purchase of a 2025 Ford Explorer for the Engineering Department

Attachments: [2025 Explorer State Contract BLACK K7D](#)
[Capital Purchase Form](#)

Logan Eberly reported The City of Foley Engineering Department requests to purchase a 2025 Ford Explorer from Stivers Ford Lincoln under state contract. This is a budgeted purchase in FY26.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Roderick Burkle, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1358-RES

[25-0554](#)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PERSONNEL SYSTEM POLICY WITH REGARD TO DEPARTMENT HEAD AND DIRECTOR POSITIONS

Human Resource Director Suzanne Kellams reported The City of Foley desires to amend the Personnel System Policy with regard to PSP § 1.2(1) Regular Full-Time and Regular Part-Time Positions for those positions defined as a Department Head and/or Director.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1359-RES

[25-0555](#)

A Resolution Waiving the Horse Arena Fees for the Shorty's Safe Haven Rodeo.

Attachments: [Special Event App - Shorty's Safe Haven](#)

Executive Director of Leisure Services David Thompson reported Shorty's Safe Haven is a non profit Girls Ranch serving at-risk girls ages 10-18. They are requesting to use the Horse Arena for a rodeo which will be used as a fundraiser for the organization. The rodeo will be held on Friday, November 7 and Saturday, November 8, 2025. The rodeo will need to use barricades provided by the City, coordination will public safety, street closures on East Rosetta Avenue and North Cypress Street, as well as City staff to ensure the facility is clean before, during, and after the events.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1360-RES

[25-0556](#)

A Resolution to Go to Bid for the Construction of the First Responder Hurricane Safe Room

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported previously under 24-1208-RES, the City of Foley accepted the FEMA HMGP grant DR4563-003 to fund a First Responder Safe Room. The design has now been complete and the project is ready to go to bid. Council's permission is requested to move forward with the

next steps of the project and staff will come back to Council for permission to award the contract.

A motion was made by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, seconded by Roderick Burkle, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1361-RES

[25-0558](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Employees to Enter Upon the Property at 1810 S Cedar St. for the Purpose of Abating the Public Nuisance.

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Roderick Burkle, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 25-1362-RES

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Hellmich expressed gratitude to the Council for approving the purchase of the Gatlin property, which will facilitate future campus expansion.

He reported that multiple events are approaching. The Chicago Supper Club is scheduled for later this month. The City of Foley Public Library will host "Big Rigs at the Library," a children's event, on Saturday, October 11, 2025, from 9 AM to 11 AM. Hometown Halloween is set for October 23, 2025, from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM. Additionally, Midday Melodies and an Archery Event are also planned.

The Mayor also provided updates on construction projects, noting that work is progressing. He anticipated potential complaints regarding the closure of the Hickory Street intersection. This is a county project in which the city is a partner, and its completion is expected to significantly improve efficiency.

Regarding the County Road 20 extension project, Mayor Hellmich reported that a vote on the transfer of funds is scheduled for early November. Once approved, the project will resume.

He proudly announced that the City has received a GoMESA award, commending Environmental Director Leslie Gahagan for her dedicated efforts.

Mayor Hellmich shared that World Atlas has once again named Foley as one of the best places to live.

He extended a welcome to Council Member Roderick Burkle and thanked him for his service.

Visitor Comments

There were no visitor comments to report.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Roderick Burkle, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.