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NOTICE AND CALL OF SPECIAL MEETING

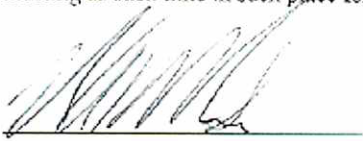
Notice is hereby given of a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Fairhope, Alabama, to be held at the Fairhope Municipal Complex on Monday, 29 February 2016, at 10:00 a.m., for the purpose to:


- ❖ Declare an emergency for City of Fairhope's Administration Building at 161 N. Section Street; authorize Mayor Kant to hire a structural engineer to assess the damage; and appropriate money necessary to secure and/or make emergency repairs to the building.

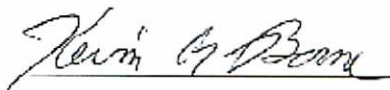
  
Jack Burrell, Council President

CONSENT TO HOLDING OF MEETING

The undersigned members of the City Council of the City of Fairhope, Alabama, do hereby acknowledge service of the Notice and Call of Special Meeting hereinabout set forth and do hereby consent to the holding of such meeting as such time in such place for the purpose set forth therein.

  
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Attest.

  
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Lisa A. Hanks, MMC  
City Clerk

STATE OF ALABAMA                    )(  
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 COUNTY OF BALDWIN                )(

The City Council, City of Fairhope, met in Special Session at 10:00 a.m., Fairhope Municipal Complex Council Chamber, 161 North Section Street, Fairhope, Alabama 36532, on Monday, 29 February 2016.

Present were Council President Jack Burrell, Councilmembers: Rich Mueller, Michael A. Ford (arrived at 10:09 a.m.), and Kevin Boone, Mayor Timothy M. Kant, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks. Councilmember Diana Brewer and City Attorney Marion E. Wynne were absent.

There being a quorum present, Council President Burrell called the meeting to order. Council President Burrell addressed the City Council and stated the reason for this special called meeting is for declaring an emergency due to the brick façade failure on sections for the City of Fairhope’s Administration Building.

Martin Pitts P.E. addressed the City Council regarding the Brick Veneer Failure Concrete Masonry Unit (“CMU”) Wall at 161 N. Section Street. He said the brick veneer on the building collapsed due to brick ties attaching and structurally connecting the brick supporting CUM was has become badly corroded. He also said that the corrosion was likely due to water intrusion on the face of the brick and perhaps inferior wall tie material. However, the exact reason the corrosion occurred is unknown. Mr. Pitts stated the corrosion causes physical movement due to expansion of the corroded material and ultimately failure of the building component being observed. He recommended keeping the area barricaded and to remove the bricks.

Councilmember Mueller stated for the record that water intrusion through brick veneer is normal. Mr. Pitts agreed that water intrusion is normal.

Mayor Kant commented that the building was built in the 1960s and was an old shopping center. Council President Burrell said we need a contractor to remove bricks, seal the wholes, and secure the area. Councilmember Mueller agreed and recommended \$30,000.00 for the scope of work. Mayor Kant said he needs a structural engineer to look at the building in more detail and make sure there are no other issues with the building.

After further discussion, Council President Burrell suggested a not to exceed \$40,000.00 to complete the scope of work discussed; and to add that wording in the resolution right after to “appropriate money” in the last paragraph.

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Councilmember Mueller introduced in writing, and moved for the adoption of the following resolution, a resolution that the City Council of the City of Fairhope hereby officially declares an emergency as a result of the brick façade failure at the City of Fairhope's Administration Building; authorizes Mayor Timothy M. Kant to hire a structural engineer to assess the damage; and to appropriate money, not to exceed \$40,000.00, to secure and/or make emergency repairs to the building. Seconded by Councilmember Boone, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2494-16**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

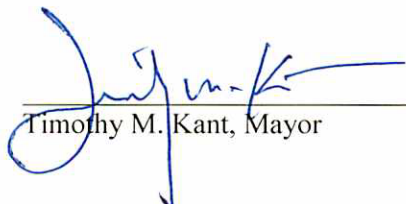
**WHEREAS**, the City of Fairhope's Administration Building is in need of immediate attention due to the brick façade failure on sections of the building; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for the City to hire a structural engineer to assess the building damage and determine what measures to take for securing and/or making emergency repairs to this critical public facility and to provide adequately for the health, safety, and convenience of the public without delay; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council, due to the emergency circumstances requiring immediate action to avoid further damage to property, the City of Fairhope's Administration Building (brick façade), is desirous of declaring an "Emergency" pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, Section 39-2-2(e); so that immediate repairs may be contracted to avoid additional damages to the building via soliciting informal bids for repairs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA, WHILE IN SPECIAL-CALLED SESSION ON February 29, 2016, as follows:** the City Council of the City of Fairhope hereby officially declares an emergency as a result of the brick façade failure at the City of Fairhope's Administration Building; authorizes Mayor Timothy M. Kant to hire a structural engineer to assess the damage; and to appropriate money, not to exceed \$40,000.00, necessary to secure and/or make emergency repairs to the building.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 29TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016**

  
 Timothy M. Kant, Mayor

Attest

  
 Lisa A. Hanks, MMC  
 City Clerk

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Councilmember Boone moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Mueller, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

  
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Jack Burrell, Council President

  
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Lisa A. Hanks, MMC  
City Clerk