

**PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA
PRATTVILLE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: The Prattville City Council met in public hearing on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Council President Striplin called the meeting to order. Roll was called and Council President Pro Tempore Brown was recorded as being absent.

1. RESOLUTION: To Authorize the Mayor to have Various Weeded Lots Abated per Title 11, Chapter 67 of the *Code of Alabama, 1975*, as Amended. (Sponsored By: Councilor Starnes)

No one was present to speak in favor of or in opposition to this item.

2. RESOLUTION: To Vacate Certain Property Located within Golson Place Subdivision Plat No. 1. (Sponsored By: Council President Striplin)

No one was present to speak in favor of or in opposition to this item.

3. ORDINANCE: To Rezone Property Located at Highway 82 at Highway 31 and McQueen Smith Road from FAR, Forest, Agricultural and Recreation to B-2, General Business and R-3, Single Family Residential. (Sponsored By: Councilor Cables)

Council President Striplin anticipating a greater than normal number of speakers on this item, announced a few guidelines for those who wished to speak on in order to insure efficiency.

Max Vaughn, of Goodwyn Mills and Cawood, was present to represent the petitioner HD&D Lands. Mr. Vaughn explained that the petitioner was aware that there is a desire to modify the R-3 zoning to exclude Multi-Family Residential by appeal. The Petitioner has submitted a request that the Council hold this item until August 7, 2018, to allow the necessary time for the process to make those changes. The petitioner is in agreement with R-3 being modified as the City wishes.

The following citizens spoke in opposition to this item:

Robert Clem, 107 Pattie Loop, stated that Tara Drive and Sheila Boulevard have enough traffic as it is, and do not need more.

Marriane Dillard, 1822 Jenny Drive, asked that the Council not honor the petitioner's wishes to hold this item, but asked that it be voted down instead. Mrs. Dillard pointed out that the proposed zoning for this area would allow for more homes than originally anticipated by the City's last Comprehensive Plan. Mrs. Dillard complained that only two of the seven councilors responded to her last email.

William Clem, 107 Pattie Loop, asked for the Council to vote against this item.

Jon Lee Finnegan, 211 Deer Trace, read the comments of Karen Mitchell who was unable to attend the meeting. Those comments were in opposition of this item.

David Dillard, 1822 Jenny Drive, suggested that more apartments would put too great of a burden on the City's Public Safety Departments.

Gene Hall, 206 Stewart Street, asked if apartments were be built in this area, where would the main access road be located.

Lydia Cocker, 302 Sheila Blvd., was concerned that the rezoning would adversely affect the property value on her home and asked that the Council vote against this item.

Nancy Wallace, 117 Irma Lane, was concerned that McQueen Road would not be able to handle more traffic caused by this rezoning.

Greg Spears, 341 Janice Street, was concerned that this rezoning would cause more traffic and in-turn be a hazard to children. He voiced his opposition to having more apartments in Prattville.

Doug Huff, 1831 Tara Drive, was concerned that there would be increased traffic near the YMCA and Daniel Pratt if this item was passed.

Richard Harrison, 121 Irma, felt that he had been misled as to what the actual plan for this property would be.

Hunter Midland, 120 Alecia Drive, was concerned that crime would increase and the Police Department would not be able to keep up if this item were passed. He was also concerned that his property value would decrease.

Jason Killough, 773 Summer Lane, asked that the Council vote against this item.

Heather Forest, 793 Stapleford Trail, was concerned about overcrowding in the Autauga County Schools and asked for more schools and not more homes. Ms. Forest did not believe the City's Police and Fire Departments could properly service any more homes in the City.

Paul Beckman, 1803 Tara Drive, wants to see improvements to McQueen Smith Road and commented that the road as is cannot handle more traffic.

ADJOURN:

There being no further comments, Council President Striplin closed the Public Hearing at 6:38 p.m.

APPROVED:

Cathy Dickerson
City Clerk

Albert Striplin, President
Prattville City Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Jamie Ferrari
Assistant City Clerk