

MINUTES

Montevallo City Council Work Session

December 22, 2025

5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member David King, Council Member Lelia Mitchell, Council Member Kenneth Dukes, Council Member Alyssa Green. Absent: Council Member Brandelyn Nelson. Quorum present.

Work Session Called to Order at 5:30 P.M. by Mayor Nix with Quorum present.

Discussion of New Business Items:

- **Discussion of Resolution 12222025-922**, authorizing the transfer of portable Harris XL-185P Radio Units to the Montevallo Fire and EMS from Shelby County Commission.
- **Discussion of Request from Ted Metz** to place a memorial bench in the name of Robin Nance Metz in Shoal Creek Park.
- **Discussion of Request from Shoal Creek Park Foundation and the Historic Preservation Commission** to place a marker at the site of the Shoal Creek Baptist Church Graveyard located within Shoal Creek Park.

Mayor Nix Called for Committee Reports:

Mayor Nix called for the Public Health and Safety Reports. Council Member Dukes called on Chief Burr for the Police Department report. Chief Burr reported there were 48 Reports for the month of December and 1,061 Total Reports for the Year. See Appendix 1.

Council Member Dukes advised Chief Davis from the Fire Department could not attend the Council Meeting and no written report submitted.

Council Member Dukes called Sarah Hogan Shaw with Impact Montevallo. Sarah reported that Impact is promoting positive messages to have conversations with youth during the holidays about the dangers of drinking and driving; make sure liquor and medicine cabinets are secured if you are going to be gone for an extended period of time; a lot of people have depression this time of year so be sure to check on family and friends and spend time with them.

Mayor Nix called for the Sustainability Reports. Council Member Mitchell reported on behalf of Kirk Hamby, Director of Public Works.

Council Member Mitchell reported the Arbor and Beautification Board met on December 9th.

Mayor Nix called for the Recreation and Community Development report. Council Member Alyssa Green called on Sydney Aguilar-Baugh, Youth Sports Director. Sydney reported basketball is underway; the Senior Center Open House was held today along with a Christmas Luncheon; the Montevallo High FCCLA members visited and brought the seniors gifts.

Council Member Green reported that the Park & Recreation Board needs members to serve on the board.

Mayor Nix called for the Education, Arts & Outreach Reports. Mayor Nix called on Marissa Wilson, Library Director, Parnell Memorial Library. Marissa reported books were delivered to all local schools on December 19th from the Ruby Ridges Grant the library received; she reported they have a new Facebook page and asked everyone to follow, like, and share the page; January calendar is up on Facebook and website; the library will be closed Christmas eve and Christmas day; normal hours on Friday, December 26th. See Appendix 2.

Mayor Nix reported the American Village tulips have all been planted for the Annual Tulip Festival in February.

Mayor Nix called for Finance, Economic Development & Tourism. Council Member King reported that the Finance Committee will meet on December 30th at 4 PM at City Hall and the meeting is open to the public.

Council Member King reported the Planning and Zoning Committee met on a conditional use duplex and has tabled it until the January meeting.

Council Member King reported there will be a Public Hearing on January 12th regarding a Day Care Center on Highway 119.

Council Member King called on Adele Nelson, Executive Director, Montevallo Chamber of Commerce. Adele reported the Christmas Parade was a big success, and the parade float winners will be listed in the Chamber Chatter; Chamber Holiday After Hours will be held co-hosted by the Shelby Chamber and held at Indigo Café + Bar on December 11th from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM; Chamber Chatter will be delivered on Friday, December 26th; Montgomery Drive-In will be held on January 14th with all local Chambers and 58 INC. participating; State of the City Chamber Luncheon will be held on January 21st at noon. See Appendix 3.

Council Member King read the report from Courtney Bennett, Montevallo Main Street: Courtney thanked all the departments and volunteers for making downtown Montevallo a wonderful holiday season; 2nd Annual Monte Gras Ball will be held at Liberty Hall at American Village on February 7th and sponsorships and tickets are available online; New this year – we are introducing Krewes – prizes will be awarded and anyone that is interested in starting a Krewe should contact Montevallo Main Street. See Appendix 4.

Montevallo City Council Meeting

December 22, 2025

6:00 p.m. at City Hall

Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member David King, Council Member Lelia Mitchell, Council Member Kenneth Dukes, Council Member Alyssa Green. Absent: Council Member Brandelyn Nelson. Quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Meeting was called to order at 6 P.M. by Mayor Rusty Nix.

Invocation Mayor Nix called on Council Member Dukes for the invocation.

Approval and/ or corrections of the Minutes: 12.8.25 Minutes - Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, Seconded by Council Member Green, All Ayes, Motion passed.

Recognitions/Awards: Mayor Nix read and presented a Certificate of Recognition to Kobe Cunningham. See Appendix 5.

Opportunities for Citizens to speak to the Council: Jeffery May 471 Tecumseh St addressed Mayor and Council about areas in Indian Highlands, Commanche St, Shoal Creek Highlands, Tecumseh St regarding speeding in these areas. Suggested signs in neighborhood, Caution Slow Children at Play; advised neighborhood needs assistance with this issue.

Chief Burr addressed speeding is an issue everywhere and asked if residents do see someone speeding feel free to video and post on social media so neighbors and police department can see. That is a deterrent to many drivers. The department is working diligently to stop those that are speeding.

Cheryl Patton University of Montevallo will have two basketball games on December 31st at 1pm and 5pm and encouraged everyone to attend to show support for the student athletes; Shoal Creek Park Foundation is hosting a privet pull at the park on Saturday, February 28th and needs volunteers.

Veronica Bailey Aldrich Coal Mine Museum passed out candy canes to the Mayor and City Council.

Seth Herring the President of the Montevallo Environmental Club reported the club is having a seed spreading event in Shoal Creek Park on February 5th and advised volunteers are needed.

Public Health & Safety (Police, Fire Code Enforcement, Impact, Housing Abatement, Annexation) - Reported during City Council Work Session.

Sustainability (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, Environmental, Historical Comm.) - Reported during City Council Work Session.

Recreation and Community Development (Parks & Recreation, Vallo Cycle, Youth Athletics, Trails) - Reported during City Council Work Session.

Education, Arts & Outreach (Schools, UM. Boys & Girls Club, Library, American Village, Sister City Commission, Art Walk, MJCC) - Reported during City Council Work Session.

Finance, Economic Development & Tourism (Finance, MDCC, IDB, Chamber, Main Street, Planning and Zoning) - Reported during City Council Work Session.

Consent to Pay the Bills: Mayor Nix asked for a Motion to Pay the Bills. Council Member Dukes made a motion to pay the bills, Seconded by Council Member Mitchell, All Ayes. Motion Passed.

New Business:

- **Resolution 12222025-922**, authorizing the transfer of portable Harris XL-185P Radio Units to the Montevallo Fire and EMS from Shelby County Commission. Motion made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes, Motion passed. See Appendix 6.
- **Request from Ted Metz** to place a memorial bench in the name of Robin Nance Metz in Shoal Creek Park. Motion made by Council Member Dukes, Seconded by Council Member King, All Ayes, Motion passed. See Appendix 7.
- **Request from Shoal Creek Park Foundation and the Historic Preservation Commission** to place a marker at the site of the Shoal Creek Baptist Church Graveyard located within Shoal Creek Park. Motion made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Green. All Ayes, Motion passed. See Appendix 8.

Old Business: None

Board Appointments: None

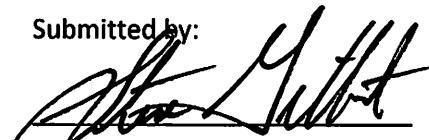
Other Business: None

Citizen Participation: Bobby C. P. Pierson 1131 Oak St Congratulated the Mayor on his work retirement; wished the Mayor and Council a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year; he reminded everyone of the Martin Luther King walk planned for January.

Sarah Hogan Shaw reminded Mayor, Council, and public that tomorrow is the last chance to look for the elves this year before they go back to the North Pole.

Adjourn: Mayor Nix called for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Submitted by:



Steve Gilbert
City Clerk / Treasurer

APPENDIX 1

	January-25	February-25	March-25	April-25	May-25	June-25	July-25	August-25	September-25	October-25	November-25	December-25	Total
Total Reports	78	86	90	99	71	90	90	110	103	100	96	48	1061
Criminal Cases	55	70	7	68	52	64	21	85	78	65	60	33	658
Non-Criminal	33	16	20	31	19	26	21	25	25	35	36	15	302
Traffic Accidents	17	9	5	310	8	11	11	11	16	16	12	9	435
Traffic Citations	147	122	129	160	122	113	147	101	106	126	76	40	1389
DUI Arrests	10	5	13	9	8	14	9	7	8	9	6	2	100
Public Intox Arr	0	2	1	3	1	2	1	0	2	2	4	3	21
Alias Arrests	2	11	5	11	6	18	13	9	8	13	12	4	112
Juvenile Arrests	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	8
Misd Arrests	4	8	6	6	5	7	15	16	6	8	11	3	95
Felony Arrests	0	4	6	3	2	6	10	7	5	8	3	4	58
Drug Related	2	7	11	10	8	10	22	10	13	7	12	3	115
Total Arrest	19	38	42	42	30	57	70	49	44	50	48	20	509
Auto Thefts	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Burglaries	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5
Auto Recoveries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Auto Burglaries	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
Criminal Mischief	1	2	4	1	1	0	1	2	2	0	2	0	16
DV. Related	4	2	1	1	2	2	4	2	4	4	1	3	30
Assaults	1	2	1	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	12
Fraud/Forgery	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Harass / Reck	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	4	2	8	2	1	29
Misc. Offenses	20	27	26	33	18	18	23	32	34	20	28	13	292
Robberies	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sex Crimes/Other	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	5
Thefts / Attempts	6	2	4	1	5	1	9	3	1	1	3	0	36
Suicide / Attempts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deaths	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	5

PARNELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

DECEMBER 22, 2025

- Books were delivered to MES, MMS, MHS from the grant we received!
- Library has a new FB page, Parnell Memorial Library-Montevallo so please go like, share, follow, invite your friends!
- January calendar is on our FB, inside the library, and on our website.
- Wrapping station will be open tomorrow at the library from 10-8.
- Will be closed Christmas eve and day, and reopen Friday for normal hours.
- Best Theme at the Christmas Parade!
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January 2026



Winter Reading Challenge for ADULTS Months of January and February



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Saturday 10:00-1:00PM

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	HOT COCOA AND BOOKS		HAPPY NEW YEAR Library Closed		
5 George Washington Carver Day Take home craft *while supplies last Brush & Beyond *painting @ the library 3:30 	6 Mini Music 10:00 Mini Movie 10:45  Pokémon Club 3:30  Medicare 101 6:00	7 Stories with Mrs. Lorrie 10:00 4H Club 3:30 PM 	8 Red Cross Blood Drive 1:00 PM-5:00 PM  Lego Book Club 6:30-7:30 	9 Tiny Tumbling 10:30-11:00  Homeschool Hub 11:30 	10
12 Brush & Beyond *painting @ the library 3:30 	13 Mini Music 10:00 Mini Movie 10:45  Pokémon Club 3:30  Family Fun Night 6:00  ALL things LETTERS	14 Stories with Mrs. Lorrie 10:00 Polar Bear Snow Globe Craft 3:00-4:00 @ the library 	15 Adult Craft Night *Vision Boards 6:00-8:00 	16 Tiny Tumbling 10:30-11:00  Homeschool Hub 11:30  Take Home MLK Activity Packet  *while supplies last	17 Library Closed
19  Library Closed	20 Mini Music 10:00 Mini Movie 10:45  Pokémon Club 3:30  Bi-Monthly Book Club *genre theme "oh, the HORROR" 6:00-7:00	21 Stories with Mrs. Lorrie 10:00	22 Survivors Rock Defense Training 6:00-7:30 Language Club 6:00-7:00 	23 Tiny Tumbling 10:30-11:00  Homeschool Hub 11:30 	24
26 Movie Monday 1:00 PM  Girl's Book Club 3:00-4:00  Brush & Beyond *painting @ the library 3:30 	27 Mini Music 10:00 Mini Movie 10:45  Pokémon Club 3:30  Adult Movie 6:00 PM  Medicare 101 6:00	28 Stories with Mrs. Lorrie 10:00	29 Adult Book Club 5:00 @ Meri Moon *21 and over  Identity Theft Awareness Seminar 6:00 	30 Tiny Tumbling 10:30-11:00  Homeschool Hub 11:30 	31 Cuentos Juntos 12:00-12:30 

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Meses de enero y febrero

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	HOT COCOA AND BOOKS		1 HAPPY NEW YEAR Biblioteca cerrada	2 Día Nacional de la Ciencia Ficción Película de Ciencia Ficción 11:00 AM & 3:00 PM	3
5 George Washington Carver Day Manualidad para llevar a casa *hasta agotar existencias Pincel y más allá *Pintura en la biblioteca 3:30 	6 Mini Música 10:00 Mini película 10:45  Club Pokémon 3:30  Medicare 101 6:00	7 Cuentos con la Sra. Lorrie 10:00 4H Club 3:30 PM 	8 Red Cross Blood Drive 1:00 PM-5:00 PM  Club de lectura de Lego 6:30-7:30 	9 Pequeños saltos mortales 10:30-11:00  Centro de educación en el hogar 11:30 	10
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12/22/2025 Chamber/Council Report

- 1) **2025 Montevallo Christmas Parade** was held rescheduled date Thursday Dec. 11th "Trophy **WINNERS**" -- *Most Creative* – St. Thomas Catholic Church & School , *Most Christmas Spirit* – McKee Family Fire Truck, *Best Theme* – Parnell Memorial Library, and *Best Overall* – Montevallo High School Soccer
- 2) **Holiday Chamber After Hours** at Indigo Cafe + Bar was great with 40+ in attendance. Thanks Shelby County Chamber for co-hosting. Everyone who attended also got to enjoy the "It's a Wonderful Montevallo Christmas Parade"
- 3) Thanks to all who participated in the **Montevallo Chamber Christmas Open House** this year, there were nine businesses with fifteen door prizes with over 200 registrations.
- 4) Jan 2026 **Chamber Chatter** will be delivered on Friday, Dec 26
- 5) **7th Annual Blooming Bargains**, a partnership with the Montevallo Chamber, Montevallo Main Street and The American Village Festival of Tulips (10th Annual), is planting all the tulips bulbs in downtown Montevallo before the end of December.
- 6) **Montgomery Drive-In** Montevallo Chamber co-hosting with Shelby Chamber, Hoover Chamber & 58 inc **on** Wed Jan 14 11am - 4:30pm \$70.00 each Register at www.shlebychamber.org
- 7) **"State of the City Address"** Chamber Luncheon / Annual Meeting will be on Wed. Jan 21st, 2026 from 11:30am to 1pm / noon - lunch \$15.00 per person RSVP by Fri. Jan 16 at Parnell Library meeting room / Sponsor - Trustmark Bank Montevallo



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Report to City Council
December 22, 2025

General Updates

- We have had a wonderful holiday season in downtown Montevallo! Many thanks to the Public Works staff, merchants, student groups, and volunteers who worked together to make Main Street magical for the holidays. We also thank everyone who shopped local and supported our downtown businesses!
- The 2nd Annual Monte Gras Ball will be held at Liberty Hall at American Village on Saturday, February 7, 2026 from 6-10 PM, featuring a New Orleans-style dinner catered by Hey Bebe and live music by The Swing Kings. Tickets and sponsorships are available for purchase now at this link: <https://montevallo-main-street.square.site/monte-gras-2026>

NEW THIS YEAR...we are introducing Krewes! Prizes will be awarded for "Best Dressed" Krewe and "Best Tablescape." Anyone interested in starting a Krewe is invited to contact Montevallo Main Street for more information.

Courtney Bennett, Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

THE FOLLOWING AWARD IS GIVEN TO

KOBE COTTINGHAM

for his selection as a member of the 2026 Team USA National Team at the
ICU World Cheerleading Championship.

Presented this day, Monday, December 22, 2025

RUSTY NIX
MAYOR
CITY OF MONTEVALLO



RESOLUTION NUMBER 12222025-922

WHEREAS, Shelby County has recently acquired portable Harris XL-185P Units and desires to transfer ownership of (39) of said units to the City of Montevallo Fire and EMS to further the agency's public safety and emergency communication needs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Montevallo as follows:

That the City of Montevallo accepts said (39) radio units and hereby agrees to the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Agreement attached hereto as Appendix A

Be it further resolved that the City of Montevallo adopts a Maintenance MOA outlining the terms and conditions of use required to operate said radio units.

I, the undersigned qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Montevallo, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution lawfully passed and adopted by the City named therein, at a regular meeting of such Council held on the 22nd day of December 2025, and that such resolution is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

ATTESTED:

Steve Gilbert City Clerk

Rusty Nix Mayor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City on the 22nd day of December 2025.

Steve Gilbert City Clerk

APPENDIX 7

To whom it may concern,

I am seeking permission to place a memorial bench at a specific site in Shoal Creek Park for Robin Nance Metz. Robin was an artist and celebrated community member.

The proposed bench will be made of granite with a Cor-ten steel supporting structure. Cor-ten is an architectural grade steel which will rust to a certain patina then stabilize. It does not degrade and retains its structural integrity.

The bench will measure 54" wide with a seat height of 19" and back height from the ground of 38".

The materials granite, steel and bronze make the bench virtually maintenance free.

As seen in the preliminary design model there is a heart shape centered on the bench back. This feature will actually be a bronze relief plaque that will be inset into the granite. The 3-D relief is an accurate representation of one of Robin's paintings. Please see attached photograph.

The name Robin Nance Metz will be cut into the stone below the heart. The names of Greta and Georgia, Robin's deceased children, will be cut into the front edge of the bench seat.

The proposed site is a wooded area along a creek side path on the opposite side of the creek from the pavilion. This site offers a view of the creek at the hard turn up stream to the East.

Bench installation will require a concrete footing covered by natural ground cover or pavers to be determined.

The installation sequence will be as follows: concert footing, steel supporting structure attached to footing then seat and back attached to the steel structure.

Proposed installation is Summer 2026.

The City of Montevallo will bear no expense in the fabrication or installation of the bench. I may, however, ask the city to assist in moving the granite seat and seat back from the Shoal Creek Park parking area to the site.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Metz

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205 999-0022

Dec. 4, 2025





Steve Gilbert

From: Kathy King <winged.portal@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2025 11:20 AM
To: Steve Gilbert
Cc: Cheryl Patton; Heatherly, Carey W; Melinda Nix
Subject: update on marker for SCP Baptist Church Graveyard

Hi Steve. Please share as appropriate.

The Shoal Creek Park Foundation with the unanimous support of the Historic Preservation Commission wants to move forward on a proposal to place a marker outside the bounds of the Shoal Creek Baptist Church Graveyard. The location has been listed since 2022 in the Alabama Historic Cemetery Register. The Educational Trust Fund grant secured by the SCPF provides for funding. We envision a rough boulder with a brass plaque with an inscription something like this:

This is the location of the Shoal Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. It was used by one of the earliest Baptist congregations in Shelby County starting in the early 19th century. The exact number of interments is unknown and the names of many of those laid to rest here are lost to time. We, the people of Montevallo, memorialize their efforts to build our community and have placed this stone to show our appreciation.

Let me know if you have questions or concerns – or suggestions for next steps in moving forward.

Best, Kathy (on behalf of the Shoal Creek Park Foundation)