

**MINUTES OF  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
DECEMBER 16, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Kennon called the meeting to order at 4:59 P.M.
- II. **INVOCATION** Associate Pastor Carson Krueger, Orange Beach Church
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmember Jeff Silvers  
Councilmember Jack Robertson  
Councilmember Ginger Harrelson  
Councilmember Robert Stuart  
Councilmember Jerry Johnson  
Mayor Tony Kennon

Absent: None

V. **CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA**

**Motion made (Silvers/Harrelson) to approve the agenda as written. Vote unanimous in favor.**

VI. **CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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| Work Session            | 11/17/2025 |
| Regular Council Meeting | 11/18/2025 |
| Committee of the Whole  | 11/18/2025 |
| Work Session            | 11/21/2025 |

The reading was waived and minutes were approved as written.

VII. **REPORTS OF OFFICERS/COMMITTEES**

- 1. City Administrator – Ford Handley No report.
- 2. Director, Public Works – Tim Tucker No report.
- 3. Director, Community Development – Adam Roberson No report.
- 4. Chief, Police Department – Trent Johnson No report.
- 5. Chief, Fire Department – Jeff Smith No report.
- 6. City Clerk – Renee Eberly No report.
- 7. Director, Finance – Ford Handley No report.
- 8. Parks & Recreation – Nicole Ard No report.
- 9. Director, Utilities – Rob Stalcup No report.
- 10. Director, Coastal Resources – Phillip West No report.
- 11. Librarian, Public Library – Meagan Bing No report.
- 12. Director, Municipal Court – Pam Davis No report.
- 13. Director, Expect Excellence – Ford Handley No report.
- 14. Mayor/Council

Councilmember Stuart reminded the public that the Orange Beach shooting range will be open this Saturday to the public from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

#### VIII. AUDITING OF ACCOUNTS

**Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to certify that cash requirements with no related interests are within budget and appropriate for payment.** Vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Robertson, aye; Harrelson, aye; Stuart, aye; Johnson, aye; Kennone, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).**

**Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to certify that cash requirements with related interests in Swift Supply are within budget and appropriate for payment.** Vote revealed: Silvers, abstain; Robertson, aye; Harrelson, aye; Stuart, aye; Johnson, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (5-0-1).**

#### IX. PRESENTATIONS

#### X. RECOGNITIONS

#### XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### Resolutions

1. Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget for the City of Orange Beach, including the transfer of special revenue funds to general fund for special revenue fund projects. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

#### XII. NEW BUSINESS

##### Resolutions

1. Resolution authorizing the city to host community events for the benefit of citizens and visitors of the City of Orange Beach during 2026. **Motion made (Robertson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Resolution authorizing the execution of a performance contract with Anne Gajda for golf instruction services. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
3. Resolution authorizing the execution of a performance contract with Joan Hill for water aerobics instruction at the Aquatics Center. **Motion made (Robertson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
4. Resolution to update the list of volunteer firefighters and reserve police officers covered under workers' compensation insurance. **Motion made (Johnson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
5. Resolution authorizing the execution of retainer agreements for outside counsel for the City of Orange Beach for 2026. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
6. Resolution appointing members and reappointing existing members to the Legislative Review Committee. **Motion made (Robertson/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
7. Resolution authorizing the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, to levy taxes within its police jurisdiction for the year 2026. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

8. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Chris Litton for various special services. **Motion made (Johnson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
9. Resolution extending the entertainment district at SanRoc Cay Marina / Perdido Beach Resort. **Motion made (Robertson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
10. Resolution extending the entertainment district at The Wharf. **Motion made (Silvers/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
11. Resolution authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement with McCollough Architecture, Inc., for architectural services. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
12. Resolution authorizing execution of a performance contract with Baldwin County Economic Development Alliance, Inc. **Motion made (Johnson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
13. Resolution appropriating funds to the Gulf Shores Airport Authority in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for FY2026. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
14. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Socialize Your Bizness, Inc., for social media consulting and marketing services. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
15. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Bob Riley and Associates, LLC, for lobbying services. **Motion made (Robertson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
16. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates for consulting services. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
17. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Adams and Reese, LLP, for federal and state governmental relations and consulting services. **Motion made (Johnson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
18. Resolution authorizing the purchase of Furniture for the Municipal Court through the BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative from MityLite Inc. in the amount of \$32,847.64. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

#### **Public Hearings**

1. Public hearing for an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 172, the Zoning Ordinance, Case No. 0903-PUD-25, AC Hotel Orange Beach PUD.

Griffin Powell, Planner II, presented the request by Shiv Sagar Hospitality, LLC, for preliminary and final PUD approval to rezone 1.8 beachfront acres from Multi-Family Residential High Density (RM-2) to Planned Unit Development (PUD) for the purpose of converting an existing building into a hotel with 100 lodging rooms located at 23370 Perdido Beach Boulevard. Griffin explained that previous approvals in 2021 and 2023 have both expired. Griffin also stated that the originally proposed mechanical lift system for parking has been removed and replaced with 17 offsite parking spaces, with a total of 112 onsite parking spaces.

Councilmember Silvers asked if the current parking deck would be demolished. Griffin responded that the current parking deck will be demolished to make construction easier. Councilmember Silvers confirmed with the Developer that there will be no outdoor music. He and other councilmembers expressed their appreciation for the removal of the mechanical parking system.

Cindy Ross, Social Media Contractor, read a question submitted by Angel Bennett on Facebook asking what happens if offsite parking is filled. Mayor Kennon responded that the result would be the same as when parking at other properties fills up, and that the hotel is responsible for letting guests know that there is one parking spot allocated per lodging room.

Mayor Kennon explained that the building has been dilapidated for some time, and that the city had even considered purchasing the property years back. He stated that the eyesore needs to be addressed, and small compromises are required to make this project viable.

There being no additional comments, the public hearing adjourned.

### **Ordinances**

1. First Reading – Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 172, the Zoning Ordinance, Case No. 0903-PUD-25, AC Hotel Orange Beach PUD. **Motion made (Silvers/Stuart) for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of this ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).** **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).**
2. First Reading – Ordinance adopting the Baldwin County Emergency Communications District GIS/Addressing Office street name standards within the City of Orange Beach, Alabama. **Motion made (Stuart/Robinson) for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of this ordinance.** Sean Brumley, GIS Specialist, explained that this is a Baldwin County initiative that most other municipalities have already joined. Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).** **Motion made (Stuart/Silvers) to adopt the ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).**
3. First Reading – Ordinance amending and restating Chapter 42, Article II, Division 2, Section 42-41 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, to update technical codes for land development. **Motion made (Robertson/Silvers) for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of this ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).** **Motion made (Silvers/Harrelson) to adopt the ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).**
4. First Reading – Ordinance amending Chapter 70, Article II, Section 70-22 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, to reduce the speed limit from 45 mph to 35 mph on the portion of State Highway 182 from Milepost 11.55 to Milepost 13.13. **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of this ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).** **Motion made (Harrelson/Robertson) to adopt the ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).**

**XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**


None

**XIV. ADJOURN**

**There being no further business to come before the council, motion made (Harrelson/Silvers) to adjourn. Vote unanimous in favor.**

Time: 5:30 P.M.

**APPROVED** this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

  
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Renee Eberly  
City Clerk

