

City of Hanceville
Regular Council Meeting

05/28/2026

The City of Hanceville, Alabama, met in a public session on May 28, 2026, for a work session beginning at 6:00 PM in the council chambers of city hall with the council meeting immediately following.

Mayor Nolan Bradford called the meeting to order.

City Attorney, Dan Willingham led the prayer and Mayor Bradford followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bradford opened the floor for public comments. Bradley Hill spoke on the conditions at the Hanceville Civic Center. He stated that there was trash everywhere, there were damaged tiles, and damage on the stage floor. (He later apologized for his comments after he visited the Civic Center with Rusty Fields. He admitted that he exaggerated the conditions of the Civic Center.)

Present:

Councilor Cameron Rowe

Councilor Kim Brown

Mayor Pro Tem Jana Shelton

Councilor Robert Powell

Mayor Nolan Bradford

Councilor Carla Cain

Councilor Brown motioned to approve the *consent agenda*. Councilor Powell gave the second. Motion carried.

Presentations – The members of the 12U Hanceville Boy's Baseball Team coached by Brandon Barnette were recognized for their 22 – 0 record in Cullman County play and their overall record of 22 – 1.

Councilor Powell made the motion to approve the *minutes* for the Regular Council meeting held on May 14, 2026. Seconded by Councilor Rowe. Motion passed.

Public Hearing for the *alcohol license* for Azul Tequilla Mexican Cantina, LLC time began 6:27 PM. Mayor Bradford opened the floor for comments regarding the license. There were no comments regarding the issuance of the alcohol license. Mayor Bradford closed the public hearing at 6:30 PM.

Councilor Rowe made a motion to pay the *bills* presented. Mayor Pro Tem Shelton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mayor Pro Tem Shelton made a motion to *pay the invoice* from the Cullman County Commission – Deputy OT in the amount of \$12,360. Second by Councilor Rowe. Motion passed.

Councilor Powell made a motion to approve the *C.W. Day Park Improvement Project* as a three-year plan (at a total project cost of \$525,000) with phase one including fencing for two ball fields and resurfacing and refencing of the basketball courts at a cost of \$175,000. Second was given by Councilor Rowe. Motion passed.

Councilor Powell made a motion to amend the budget and move \$25,317 from a playground at Veteran's Park to a playground at C.W. Day Park. Second was made by Councilor Rowe. Motion passed.

Councilor Brown made a motion to suspend the rules and waive the first reading of *Fine and Court Amnesty Ordinance 2026-9*. Second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shelton.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes:

Councilors Powell, Rowe, Brown, Cain

Mayor Pro Tem Shelton

Mayor Bradford

Nays:

None

Councilor Brown made the motion to pass *Ordinance 2026-9, Fine and Court Amnesty Ordinance*. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shelton. Roll call vote. Ordinance 2026-9 was adopted.

Roll Call Vote to Adopt Ordinance 2026 - 9

Ayes:

Councilors: Powell, Rowe, Brown, Cain

Mayor Pro Tem Shelton

Mayor Bradford

Nays:

None

Councilor Powell made a motion to postpone discussion of a *new check signer*. Second made by Councilor Rowe. Motion passed.

Councilor Brown made the motion to replace City Clerk Tania Wilcox on *the Alcohol Review Board* with Director of Operations Rusty Fields (to be replaced by the new city clerk when one is

appointed by the Council), and to replace the police chief position with Councilor Cameron Rowe. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shelton. Motion Carried.

Mayor Bradford requested that the council *add an agenda item*. Councilor Powell made the motion to suspend the rules and add item 10. Second was made by Council Rowe. Roll Call vote.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes:

Councilors: Powell, Rowe, Brown, Cain

Mayor Pro Tem Shelton

Mayor Bradford

Nays:

None

Motion carried and item 10 was added, *Alcohol License of Azul Tequilla Mexican Cantina, LLC*.

Councilor Powell motioned to approve *the alcohol license of Azul Tequilla Mexican Cantina, LLC*. Second was given by Councilor Rowe. Motion passed.

Councilor Brown motioned to allow the fire chief to *surplus old fire hoses*. Second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shelton. Motion passed.

Councilor Brown motioned to purchase a *Square payment device* for the Shirley Burden Hanceville Public Library. Second was given by Councilor Rowe. Motion passed.

Councilor Powell motioned for the passing of *Ordinance 2026-8, Procurement Policy for Federal Funds*. Second made by Mayor Pro Tem Shelton. Ordinance 2026-8 was approved.

Reports of Staff:

*Bank Accounts Balance Sheet

*No report from the fire chief.

*Operations Manager Bi-Weekly Public Works and Park Job Detail (Operations Manager Fields addressed the flooding that occurred around the city after 10 inches of rain fell in an hour. He stated there was little that could be done to prevent flooding during a major rain event like the one that occurred on Friday, May 22, 2026.) Rusty also discussed the selling of four surplus vehicles on govdeals.com for a total of \$11,875. He also mentioned that there are three more groups of items to be listed as surplus in the coming months.

Day in the Park was discussed with a date TBA. It will include ball tournaments, bounce houses, vendors, food trucks, free swimming at the pool, and a fireworks show.

Council Discussion Items – None

Announcements:

*Food Trucks at Tucker Park	Thursdays	4:00-8:00 PM
*Work Session/Council Meeting	June 11 th	6:00 PM
* Work Session/Council Meeting	June 25 th	6:00 PM

Mayor Bradford stated that they will need to go into executive session to discuss the good name and character of an individual and that there would be no action taken after the executive session.

Councilor Brown made a motion to go into *executive session* to discuss the good name and character of someone. Motion was seconded by Councilor Rowe.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes:

Councilors: Powell, Rowe, Brown, and Cain

Mayor Pro Tem Shelton

Mayor Bradford

Nays:

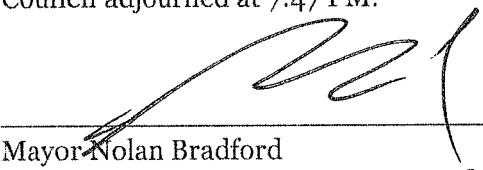
None

Motion passed at 7:02 PM

Council reconvened in public session at 7:45 PM.

Councilor Powell made a motion to adjourn. Second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shelton. Motion passed.

Council adjourned at 7:47 PM.



Mayor Nolan Bradford



Attest: Robert Powell Council Member
Authorized Attesting Official