

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
PLANNING MEETING  
November 18, 2024

The Ashland City Council met for a Planning Meeting on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 5:00 P.M. beginning at the Art's League Office and continuing to the Ashland City Hall Auditorium, with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members present were Dianne Ballard, Bobbie J. Steed, Kim M. Cain arrived at 5:17 P.M., Annette F. Gaither, and Tommy Cantrell. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Jennifer Lowry with the Art's League, Maintenance Supervisor Phillip Stinson arrived at 5:28 P.M., Police Chief Joseph Stanford arrived at 5:27 P.M., and Ray Stansell with the Clay Times Journal.

Items discussed included:

- Toy Soldier Decorations

Mayor Fetner explained that he asked the council to come to the Art's League Building for the planning meeting to get opinions and answers on which toy soldiers the council would like to see displayed on the square and how many to use on the square and around town for Christmas. Council Member Ballard stated that she would like to see all of them used. Council Member Gaither stated that at the previous meeting, the council decided they only wanted to use the traditional toy soldiers on the square. Council Member Cantrell stated that he knew there had been previous discussion about putting them on the corners of the square. Jennifer Lowry with the Art's League explained her thoughts on the toy soldiers and that they were looking for clarification on what "traditional" means. Mrs. Lowry stated that the Art's League would take responsibility for making them look tasteful and keeping them updated. After discussion, it was confirmed that they could all be used on the square provided touch ups were completed to toy soldiers that needed it.

- Park Improvement Contract:

City Clerk/Administrator Wynn explained changes made to the contract to get the price down while still obligating ARP funds so that they would not get sent back. City Clerk/Administrator Wynn also explained that the parking lot could be paved using the County's contract with Ingram Paving if tied in with the Rebuild Alabama Project that should take place in the Spring. City Clerk/Administrator Wynn also explained that the splashpad could be rebid after the first of the year and that working directly with the subcontractor should provide substantial cost savings.

There was no business conducted at this meeting.

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