

Mayor  
Jeremy Pate



City Clerk  
Robin Mitchell

# Cordova City Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 09, 2026  
6:30 p.m.  
Agenda

1. Call to Order
  - Invocation
  - Pledge of Allegiance
  - Roll Call
2. Motion to Rezone Parcel#64-23-03-08-1-101-039.000 R-2-R-3
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5. Motion to Rezone Parcel#64-23-03-08-1-101-038.000 R-2-R-3
6. Motion to Rezone Parcel#64-23-02-04-3-301-004.000 R-2-R-4
7. Motion to Rezone Parcel#64-23-02-09-2-000-006.000 R-2-R-4
8. Review Regular Meeting Minutes from May 12, 2026.
9. Review Special Called Meeting Minutes from June 02, 2026.
10. Review A/P Aging Detail Report & Statement of Financial Position as of May 31, 2026.
11. Motion to Approve Chief Harold Cox's Hotel Stay for Chief's Conference in Orange Beach
12. Resolution 2026-13 Approving Retirement Longevity Bonus Legislation
13. Motion to Approve Dooertown Freewill Baptist Road Block Mission Trip June 13, 2026
14. Motion to Approve Use of Park June 13, 2026 for Gabriela Telp's Birthday Party.
15. Public Works Update
16. Fire Department Update
17. Police Department Update
18. Economic Development Update
19. Planning Commission Update
20. Other Business
21. Adjourn

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALABAMA, ON May 12, 2026.**

**The Mayor and Council Members of the City of Cordova, Alabama met in a Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. on May 12, 2026, at the Cordova City Hall.**

**Lawrence Sides delivered the Invocation.**

**Mayor Pate led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Upon roll call, the following members were present:**

**Mayor Jeremy Pate, and**

**Council Members: Brett Dawkins, Larry Sides, and Donna McDonald**

**Absent: Ed Earp and Jane Mitchell**

**Mayor Pate opened the Council Meeting with an announcement for a Public Hearing on June 2, 2026, at 6:00pm for the completion of the CDBG demolition project with Tomlin Excavating Co., Inc.**

**Mayor Pate welcomed Jerice Chambers from Capstone Health. Capstone Health is sponsoring a Back 2 School Health Fair giving away free school supplies and resources. The free event will be held on July 24, 2026, from 9:00am-11:00am in the Parrish community. This event is for all Walker County school age children from K-12<sup>th</sup> grade.**

**Mayor Pate introduced speaker Tyler McKeller from Living Water Services, LLC. Mr. McKeller presented the Council with the Annual Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Report for 2025. The City of Cordova scored great in all categories. Councilmember Sides made a motion to accept the Annual MWPP Report, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Dawkins. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate presented the minutes from the Regular Called Meeting on April 14, 2026. Councilmember Sides made a motion to approve the minutes, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Dawkins. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate presented the A/P Aging Report and Statement of Financial Position Report as of April 30, 2026. Councilmember McDonald made a motion to approve the accounts payable, and statement of financial position as given, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sides. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate entertained a motion for unanimous consent for Ordinance 2026-09, authorizing the use of opioid settlement funds for the City of Cordova's summer program. Councilmember Dawkins made a motion for consent for Ordinance 2026-09, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sides. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate gave a reading of Ordinance 2026-09, authorizing the use of opioid settlement funds for the City of Cordova's summer program. Councilmember Sides made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-09, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Dawkins. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor Pate made a motion to approve the use of the park to St. James church for their Faith Family picnic on May 16, 2026. Councilmember Dawkins made a motion to approve the use of the park to St James church, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sides. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate made a motion to approve the use of the park to Long Memorial United Methodist church for their End of School Family Fun Night on May 20, 2026, from 5:00pm-7:00pm. Councilmember McDonald made a motion to approve the use of the park to Long Memorial United Methodist, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sides. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate made a motion to approve the use of the park to INK for their End of Year Celebration on May 19, 2026, from 12:00pm-3:00pm. Councilmember Dawkins made a motion to approve the use of the park to INK, which motion was seconded by Councilmember McDonald. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate gave a public works update. The Mayor announced that the new garbage truck was ready to be put in service.**

**Dean Harbison gave a Fire Department update.**

**Chief Harold Cox gave an update for the Police Department. A motion was made to approve moving dispatcher Tara Hamby to Full-Time with benefits at \$12.50 per hour until she completed her certification and then her pay will be \$14.50 per hour. Councilmember Sides made a motion to approve moving Tara Hamby to Full-Time dispatcher, which motion was seconded by Councilmember McDonald. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes-4. Motion carried.**

**Renee Sides, Economic Development Director gave an update on Economic Development.**

Lawrence Sides, Chairman of Planning Commission gave a Planning Commission update.

It was ascertained there was no other business to come before this meeting. Upon motion made and seconded, the meeting was duly adjourned.

  
Mayor Jeffrey Pate

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk/Treasurer



**MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALABAMA, ON JUNE 02, 2026.**

The Mayor and Council Members of the City of Cordova, Alabama met in a Special Called Meeting Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 02, 2026, at the Cordova City Hall.

Lawrence Sides delivered the Invocation.

Mayor Pate led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Mayor Jeremy Pate, and

Council Members: Brett Dawkins, Larry Sides, Donna McDonald, and Jane Mitchell

Absent: Ed Earp

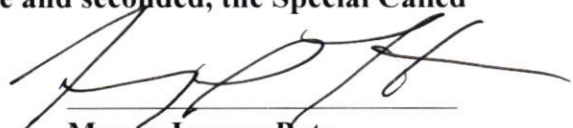
Mayor Pate declared a quorum present and opened the meeting for the transaction of business.

Mayor Pate announced a public hearing for final closeout of the completion of the CDBG project.

Mayor Pate entertained a motion to approve the transfer of the Pavilion property from the City of Cordova to CEIDA. Councilmember Mitchell made a motion to approve the transfer of the Pavilion property from the City of Cordova to CEIDA, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Dawkins. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 5. Motion carried.

Mayor Pate made a motion to approve the hiring of summer workers through opioid funding. Trista Holder and Kourtney Jent will have an hourly rate at \$15.00 per hour and all other workers will be paid \$10.00 per hour.

Mayor Pate stated there was no other business to be conducted in this meeting and entertained a motion to adjourn. Upon motion made and seconded, the Special Called Meeting was duly adjourned.



Mayor Jeremy Pate

ATTEST:



Robin Mitchell  
Interim City Clerk/Treasurer



**RESOLUTION 2026-13**


Be it resolved that the City of Cordova, through its governing authority, elects to come under the provisions of Section 2 of Act 608 of the Regular Session of the 2026 Legislature.

The City of Cordova agrees to provide all funds necessary to the Employees' Retirement System to cover the cost of the one-time lump sum payment as provided for by this Act for those eligible retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of The City of Cordova with the aforementioned lump sum payment being paid in October 2026.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Jeremy Pate, Mayor, The City of Cordova, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution passed on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2026.

  
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Signature of Official

  
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Official Title



# Cordova Fire & Rescue



## MAY 2026 CALLS:

<u>STRUCTURE FIRES -</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>BRUSH / WOODS FIRES -</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS -</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>VEHICLE FIRES -</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>MEDICAL -</u>	<u>47</u>
<u>RESCUE -</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE -</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>HAZARDOUS -</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>FALSE ALARMS -</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>INSPECTIONS -</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>MUTUAL AID -</u>	<u>(2)</u>
<b>Total Calls:</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>Water Usage -</b>	<b>Gallons 70</b>



# Cordova Fire & Rescue



## UPDATE:

- **Helipad Project, FAA lighting on the helipad this will put us over budget around \$100, I am working to reduce the cost of out of pocket expenses before moving forward. This will complete the project. The pad is usable at this time, and we have had aircraft already using.**
- **The 2 members have started FF1 Training**
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# Economic Development Update for Council Meeting 06/09/2026



## Events:

- Take a Kid Fishing Day held at Indian Head Mill Park on Saturday. 47 kids signed up and 84 fish were caught. It was a great success
- Independence Day Celebration on July 4<sup>th</sup> from Noon until 10 pm
- Reading of the Declaration of Independence will take place on July 8<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm at Walker County Courthouse. We will join counties from all across the nation and our territories in reading this historic document at the same time.

## Current Projects:

- RAISE Project – Phase 1 is finishing up. Phase 2 bid is awaiting a letter from Secretary Duffey's office.
- ATRIIP Grant – Submitted last year. There will be no award on this grant. They rolled the funding into this year's NOFO. Will potentially be requesting approval to submit an application once the NOFO is reviewed.
- Wastewater ADEM Grant Project – Contractor is working on the Septage Receiving Station and the Screwpress. The I&I Bid package will be published tomorrow – pre-bid meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup> and bid opening on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Laundry mat Project – On hold
- Office/Retail Building – Short delay awaiting a revised building permit
- Higgins Building Redevelopment. Contractor will turn over 3 upstairs units tomorrow at 5 pm. Polished Salon will open on June 17<sup>th</sup>, Gibson Girls Glam will open on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cotton Mercantile open date to be determined.
- Gateway Project is still progressing.
- Cordova River Adventure Resort – project is underway. Master Plan final planning session on Thursday. We will finalize infrastructure costs and the development district paperwork. Finalizing investor agreements.
- Trails – planning for next section of trail development
- Working on several outdoor recreation grants in the spring and summer. These include Land and Water Conservation, ARC Area Development Initiative, ARC POWER Grant and Alabama Power Foundation Grant. All of these grant applications are extensive.
- We received notification today that our ARC Power Grant initial Letter of Intent has been approved and we have been invited to submit a full application.
- We are awaiting notification from Innovate Alabama of award. Expected within 7 days. If awarded, we will be invited to submit an application for a project grant application of up to \$750,000. That grant application will be due July 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Continuing to work on code enforcement as issues arise.
- Processing business licenses in house. Initial notification of businesses has been sent out.