Mobile Tree Commission Minutes of Meeting March 3, 2009

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Tom McGehee, Chairman.

Mobile Tree Commission members present: Tom McGehee, Chairman, Dr. Maurice Holt, Vice Chairman, Mary Cousar, Cleve Formwalt, Dr. Rip Pfeiffer, Laura Clarke, Treasurer, Ron Jackson, Ex-Officio member.

City of Mobile: David Daughenbaugh, Gerard McCants, Theresa Jernigan, James Bolin.

Others present: Blake Jarrett, Alabama Power Company.

Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of December 3, 2008 as written. Motion carried.

Treasury Report

Laura Clarke, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$6,658.63.

Permits

P-2009-01 1 St. Louis Street

Staff

represented application to remove Pear Trees and replace them with Palm Trees. Discussion followed concerning size of tree. Motion made to approve as per staff recommendations, also with added stipulation number 3, as follows: 1) All work is to be completed at the applicant's expense; 2) Replacement trees shall be coordinated with Urban Forestry with proper right of way permits; 3) Replacement trees shall be a comparable size to those at the adjoining development. Motion carried.

P-2009-02 1800 Gulfdale Drive

Held over.

P-2009-03 1650 Dauphin Street

Tim Clarke

represented his application to remove the Live Oak limb growing over his house. Discussion followed concerning condition of the tree and recent problems with limbs falling from tree. Motion made to approve removal of two limbs and deadwood the tree, Urban Forestry to perform the work. Motion carried.

P-2009-04 1261 Linwood Drive

Nancy Schell,

applicant, represented this application to remove the Live Oak Tree at this location because the roots are causing sewer problems. Discussion followed concerning an alternative solution. Ms. Schell was asked to set up an

appointment with her plumber and let us know so that an Urban Forestry representative could meet with them on site. Urban Forestry is to contact MAWS to have them investigate on the city right of way. A motion was made to hold over the application until the next meeting so that the results could be discussed. Motion carried.

C-2009-01

900 Springhill Avenue Don Williams represented this application concerning the removal of Live Oak Trees at this location. Discussion followed. A motion was made plant two 3"Live Oak Trees at each apex for a total of six Live Oak Trees, and infill with Crape Myrtle Trees. Motion carried.

Urban Forestry

Staff reported on trees planted during this season.

Traffic Engineering – No report

Engineering – No report

Alabama Power - No report.

Old Business - Tree planting update given in Urban Forestry report. Ziegler Boulevard widening was discussed.

New Business - Annual report by Tree Commission to Council is upcoming and information to be provided by staff.

Tree Awards were also discussed and staff is to provide a list of proposed sites and those awarded in the past.

Ceremonies for trees dedicated to individuals were discussed and staff is to notify Members.

Announcements – None

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Jernigan Recording Secretary