

Setting of Qualification Fee for the 2025 Municipal Election

Ordinance 02032025

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF VANCE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A qualification fee in the amount of \$ 50.00 is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as mayor of the City of Vance, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

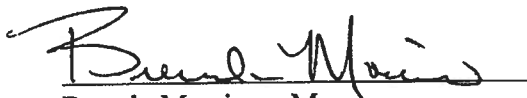
Section 2. A qualification fee in the amount of \$ 50.00 is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as councilmember of the City of Vance, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 3. Such qualification fee shall be paid to the city clerk and deposited to the general fund of the city at or prior to the time of taking out qualification papers by any such candidates.

Section 4. Any person desiring to qualify who is not financially able to pay the required fee may qualify provided such prospective candidate furnishes the clerk with an affidavit stating that he is financially unable to pay the required fee fixed by this ordinance. *

Section 5. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Section 11-46-2 of the Alabama Code of 1975 and shall be effective in all elections, both general and special, for aforesaid offices from and after the date of adoption.

ADOPTED THIS THE 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025.


Brenda Morrison, Mayor
City of Vance

ATTEST:


Tracy Burt, City Clerk
City of Vance

2025 Election Vote at Large

Ordinance 02032025 A

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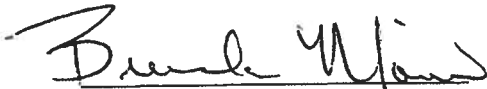
Section 1. That the City governing body of the City of Vance, Alabama, shall consist of a mayor and five councilmembers who shall be elected by a vote of the voters at large in the City of Vance, Alabama.

Section 2. That the places on the City Council be and the same are hereby designated as Place Number 1, Place Number 2, Place Number 3, Place Number 4 and Place Number 5.

Section 3. That each candidate for a place on the City Council shall in the announcement of his or her candidacy designate by number the place for which he or she is a candidate, and no person shall be a candidate for more than one place.

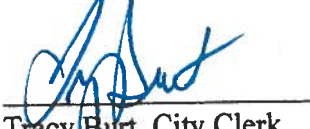
Section 4. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED ON THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025.



Brenda Morrison, Mayor
City of Vance

ATTEST:



Tracy Burt, City Clerk
City of Vance

2025 Election Vote at Large Ordinance 02032025 A

ATTEST:

Debbie Minor
Place 1 Debbie Minor

Absent
Place 2 Ginger Turner

Jay & Kelley
Place 3 Jay Kelley

Amanda Bell
Place 4 Amanda Bell

Dianne Averett
Place 5 Dianne Averett

ORDINANCE NO. 04212025

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING HANDICAPPED PARKING

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Vance, Alabama as follows:

Section 1. Reserved parking for physically handicapped individuals.

- (a) The Mayor of the City and/or the city engineer are hereby authorized to designate and mark parking spaces on public property for the exclusive parking of motor vehicles operated or occupied by physically handicapped persons.
- (b) The Mayor of the City and/or the city engineer are hereby authorized to designate and mark parking spaces on public property for the exclusive parking of emergency motor vehicles.
- (c) On private property, the designation of exclusive parking spaces for motor vehicles operated or occupied by physically handicapped persons shall be the responsibility of the property owner or lessee.
- (d) On private property, the designation of exclusive parking spaces for emergency motor vehicles shall be the responsibility of the property owner or lessee.
- (e) Sections 32-6-233 and 32-6-233.1 of the *Code of Alabama*, as last amended, are adopted such that the violation of either or both of the same constitute the violation of a municipal ordinance, or a municipal offense against the city. In such cases, it shall be presumed that the operator of the vehicle is the offender; if the operator of the vehicle cannot be identified, or if there is any dispute as to the identity of the operator, it shall be conclusively presumed that the offender is the registered title holder of the offending vehicle, and that the title holder parked the vehicle, if there is more than one (1) registered title holder, the fine and/or penalty may be levied against any one (1) of the title holders determined by the court to be the appropriate offender in his discretion; any penalty imposed against a corporation shall consist of a fine.

ORDINANCE NO. 06162025

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CUTTING ACROSS OR DRIVING THROUGH PRIVATE NEIGHBORHOODS OR PROPERTY TO AVOID TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Vance, Alabama as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a vehicle through private neighborhoods or upon any private premises for the purpose of avoiding a traffic-control device or for the purpose of using the private premises solely as a route of travel from one roadway to another.

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

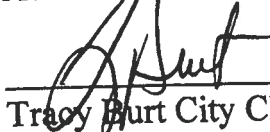
Section 3. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable; if any portion of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 16th Day of June, 2025



Brenda Morrison
Mayor, City of Vance

Authenticated:



Tracy Burt City Clerk
City of Vance

ORDINANCE NO. 09022025

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF VANCE, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: It is hereby established and declared that the following described property of the City of Vance, Alabama, is no longer needed for public or municipal use; to wit:

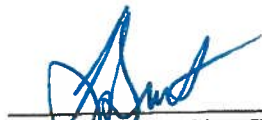
2006 Chevrolet Silverado Pickup VIN 3GCEC14V86G164738
4.6 LITER v8 2X4 (AC does not work)
Minimum Bid \$2,000.00

SECTION 2: That the Mayor and the City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute respectively, for and on behalf of the City of Vance, Alabama, sale, donate or destroy the property listed above.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this on the 2nd day of September 2025.


Brenda Morrison, Mayor

ATTEST:


Tracy Burt, City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 09022025a

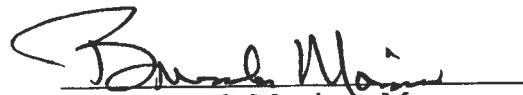
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF VANCE, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: It is hereby established and declared that the following described property of the City of Vance, Alabama, is no longer needed for public or municipal purpose, to wit:

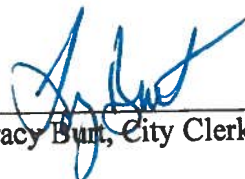
Castle 4 Burner Natural Gas Oven Model F326 Serial 1P10
Manifold Pressure 4" NAT/10"L.P. W.C.
Minimum bid \$5,000.00

SECTION 2: That the Mayor and the City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute respectively, for and on behalf of the City of Vance, Alabama, sale, donate or destroy the property listed above.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this on the 2nd day of September 2025.


Brenda Morrison, Mayor

ATTEST:


Tracy Burt, City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 10202025

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH AN ELECTRONIC MEETING POLICY FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

1. Alabama Code allows entities of municipalities (i.e. City Council) to allow electronic participation in meetings under certain circumstances, provided the municipality has adopted an Electronic Meeting Policy.

2. The City Council has determined it is necessary to adopt an Electronic Meeting Policy in order to allow electronic participation by members who would otherwise not be able to attend due to illness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANCE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

(1) **Purpose and applicability.** It is the policy of the City of Vance that individual members of the City Council may participate in Council meetings by electronic means as permitted by Alabama Code up to six times per calendar year. All proceedings pursuant to this policy shall be performed in accordance with Alabama Code as may hereafter be amended. This policy shall apply to the entire City Council membership without regard to the identity of the member requesting remote participation or the matters to be considered or voted on at the meeting.

(2) **Quorum required.** The City Council may consider a request for participation by electronic communication means only if a quorum of the City Council is physically present at the central or physical meeting location, and there is an arrangement for all participants to hear one another at the same time.

(3) **Permissible reasons for electronic participation.** Participation by a Council member in a meeting by electronic communication means shall only be allowed if the Council member is unable to be physically present due to an illness. For purposes of this section, means sickness, disease or other physical condition that causes a Council member to face difficulties attending a Council meeting in person and/or endangers the health the subject member or of those physically present.

(4) **Approval process.** No Council member may participate in a meeting by electronic communication means unless the Council member requests and the Council approves the participation in accordance with this policy.

i. A Council member may request to participate in a Council meeting by electronic communication means if the Council member notifies the Mayor and the City Clerk on or before the day of the meeting that the Council member is unable to attend due to illness.

ii. The Council member must also notify the City Clerk of the remote location from

which the Council member would participate by electronic communication means. A member participating by electronic means shall further certify that he or she is not under the influence of any medications that would impair their judgment for purposes of attending the meeting, considering and voting on matters.

iii. At the meeting, the City Clerk shall announce the information received from the Council member requesting electronic attendance. If the Council request is in all respects compliant with this policy, then any quorum of the Council members physically assembled at the central or physical meeting location shall make a motion to approve or disapprove the absent Council request. A roll call vote shall be taken.

iv. Upon approval of Council participation by electronic communication means, the Council member shall be allowed to fully participate in the meeting by electronic communication means in all respects except for establishment of a quorum.

v. If the Council participation by electronic communication means is approved, the City Clerk shall record in the meeting minutes: (a) the motion; (b) the vote thereon; (c) the nature of the illness or medical condition; (d) the remote location from which the Council member participates in the meeting; (e) the method of electronic communication being utilized for participation.

vi. If the Council participation by electronic communication means is disapproved, whether by adoption of a motion to disapprove or rejection of a motion to approve, the City Clerk shall record in the meeting minutes: (a) the motion; (b) the vote thereon; (c) the nature of the illness or medical condition; (d) the remote location from which the Council member would participate in the meeting; (e) the method of electronic communication to be utilized for participation; and (f) the aspect of this policy that would be violated by the Council proposed participation by electronic communication means, as summarized by a quorum of the Council members physically present.

(5) **Approval.** Individual participation from a remote location shall be approved unless such participation would violate this policy or the provisions of the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

(6) **Location.** The location where the quorum is present and each remote location from which a Council member participates must have two-way audio with each location during the entire meeting. Each voice must be clearly audible to each other participant and, during the open portion of the meeting, to members of the public in attendance at the location where the quorum is present. The audio signals perceptible by members of the public at the location where the quorum of the members are present must be of sufficient quality so that members of the public can hear the voice of each participant in the open portion of the meeting.

(7) **Requirements of electronic system.** Any electronic communications system utilized must allow all of the participating they are physically in the central location or in remote simultaneously communicate with one another and the public. The City Clerk shall arrange for the acquisition and installation of all appropriate equipment, communications systems and software as shall be necessary to comply with the provisions of this section. Acceptable means of electronic

communications include telephone (speaker phone) or by video or audio teleconferencing means, such as Zoom, GoToMeeting, GoToWebinar, Webex, Microsoft Teams, Google Hangout or any other similar platform approved by the City Administrator which is clear, uninterrupted and allows two-way communication for the participating Council members.

(8) **Notice of Meeting.** If a Council member is participating in a meeting of the City Council by electronic communication means as authorized by this section, the City Council shall ensure that means of access to the electronic communication is published in the same manner as the notice of the meeting is published pursuant to Chapter 25A of Title 36 of the Code of Alabama.

(9) **Voting.** Any vote taken at a meeting utilizing the equipment contemplated in this section shall be taken as a roll call vote that allows each participant to vote individually in a manner audible to all persons participating or present at the physical location where the quorum is present.

(10) **Interruption of electronic communication.** If the electronic communication means fail or are in any way interrupted during a meeting otherwise in compliance with this section, that failure shall not be grounds to challenge any action taken during the meeting.

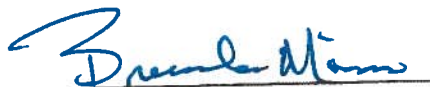
(11) **Implementation of policy.** At least (45) days shall lapse between the adoption of this policy and the first meeting that the City Council uses electronic means of communication as authorized by this section.

(12) **No reimbursement of expenses.** A Council member participating in a meeting by electronic communication means as provided by this section may not claim any form of fee or reimbursement of expenses relating to that meeting, including mileage.

(13) **Conflicting prior provisions repealed.** That all ordinances, resolutions or parts in conflict with this ordinance, to the extent of such are hereby repealed to the extent in conflict hereof; and

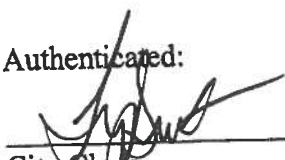
(14) **Effective date.** That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF October, 2025.



Brenda Morrison
Mayor, City of Vance

Authenticated:



City Clerk
City of Vance

ORDINANCE NO. 10202025A

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN COUNCIL MEETINGS "REMOTELY" UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES

WHEREAS, § 36-25A-5.2 of the *Code of Alabama* provides that the Vance City Council may allow its members, when unable to be physically present at the meeting due to illness, to participate in the council's meetings "remotely" by means of electronic communications (such as a telephone or video conference) under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, that statute requires that the Vance City Council adopt a policy, at least 45 days before the first meeting that the council uses electronic means of communication as described above, that details the procedures and communications equipment that will be used, how the public may access the meeting, and how voting will be conducted.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANCE, ALABAMA, while in regular session on October 20, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., as follows:

Section 1. One or more members of the Vance City Council may participate in a city council meeting by means of electronic communications equipment up to six times per calendar year, provided that both of the following are fulfilled:

(a) No less than a quorum of the members of the city council are physically present at the physical location of the meeting; and

(b) The members of the city council participating by means of electronic communications are unable to be physically present at the meeting due to illness.

Section 2. A member that participates in a meeting by means of electronic communications shall be deemed to be present for all purposes, except for the establishment of a quorum.

Section 3. A member that wishes to participate by electronic means must provide actual notice to the City Clerk (or to the acting City Clerk, in the absence of the City Clerk from duty on the day of the meeting) at least one (1) hour in advance of the meeting, so that appropriate arrangements can be made in advance of the meeting. At the time of the notice, the member will provide a telephone number where the member can be reached for the purposes of participating in the meeting. A member participating by electronic means shall further certify that he or she is not

under the influence of an medications that would impair their judgment for purposes of attending the meeting, considering and voting on matters.

Section 4. At the commencement of the city council meeting, the City's audio, computer, and telephone equipment in the City Hall chambers will be used to ensure that all council members participating in the meeting can hear one another at the same time and can be heard by the members of the public who are in physical attendance at the meeting.

Section 5. The public may access the meeting through physical attendance at the meeting. In addition, if the City Council meeting is live streamed (or recorded for later broadcast) for public viewing through an internet platform, then the City's audio, computer, and telephone equipment in the City Hall chambers will be used to ensure that the member participating by electronic means can be heard by the members of the public who are viewing the meeting through such platform (unless unexpected technical difficulties interfere with or prevent the same).

Section 6. Any vote taken at a city council meeting where one or more members are participating through electronic means shall be taken as a roll call vote that allows each council member to vote individually.

Section 7. A city council member participating in a council meeting by electronic means may not claim any form of reimbursement for expenses relating to that meeting.

Section 8. A city council member participating in a council meeting by electronic means may not serve as the presiding officer of that meeting.

Section 9. If a city council member's participation by electronic means is interrupted by problems with the related electronic communications equipment and/or its connection, then the meeting shall be temporarily suspended or recessed in order to allow City personnel to make reasonable attempts to restore the participation.

Section 10. Notwithstanding anything in this Ordinance to the contrary, a council member may not participate in a council meeting by electronic means in the event that the presiding officer of the council meeting (who is in physical attendance at the meeting) determines that technical difficulties/issues preclude that member from participating as set forth in this Ordinance (although such a determination may be overruled during that meeting by a majority vote of those members in physical attendance at the meeting).

Section 11. If the electronic communications equipment referenced in this Ordinance fails or is in any way interrupted during a council meeting, that failure shall not be grounds to challenge any action taken during the meeting.

Section 12. If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, thing or circumstances, is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the provisions or application of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 13. This Ordinance shall be effective upon its posting as required by law.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of October, 2025.



Brenda Morrison
Mayor, City of Vance

Authenticated:



City Clerk
Town of Vance

ORDINANCE 11172025

CITY OF VANCE SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

I. Purpose.

This City of Vance (the "City") policy establishes guidelines for the creation and use by the City of Vance, its departments, divisions and/or employees of the City's social media sites for Work Related Purposes (including but not limited to its Website, Facebook, and Twitter/X) as a means of conveying City of Vance ("City") information to its citizens.

The intended purpose behind establishing social media sites for the City of Vance is to disseminate information from the City or about the City, to its citizens.

The City has an overriding interest in deciding what is "spoken" on behalf of the City on the City's social media sites.

For purposes of this policy, "Social Media" is understood to be content created by individuals, using accessible, expandable and upgradable publishing technologies, through and on the Internet. Examples of Social Media include but are not limited to websites, Facebook, Twitter/X, Google, blogs, YouTube, LinkedIn, and Flickr. For purposes of this policy, "Content" includes comment, information, articles, pictures, videos or any other form of communicative content posted on City Social Media sites.

II. City Council Approval.

In accordance with the aforesaid purposes of this policy, and overriding interest of the City in deciding what is "spoken" on its behalf, all Social Media sites for the City must be specifically approved by the City Council of the City of Vance to confirm compliance with the general policies and content provisions hereinafter provided.

III. General Policy.

- A. The establishment of any new City Social Media site must be approved by the City Council while the day-to-day use of any established City Social Media site by any City department, division or employee is subject to approval by the Mayor or his/her designees. City Social Media sites shall be administered and monitored by a Site Administrator approved by the Mayor, with consent of the City Council.
- B. City Social Media sites should make clear that they are maintained by the City and that they follow the City's Social Media Policy.

- C. Wherever possible, City Social Media sites should link back to the official City website at <https://townofvance.weebly.com/> or the department web page for forms, documents, online services, and other information necessary to conduct business with the City.
- D. The City's Site Administrator will occasionally monitor Content on City Social Media sites to ensure adherence to the City's Social Media Policy and the interests and goals of the City.
- E. Approved City Social Media sites must provide operational access for input, deletion or modification to the City's Site Administrator or alternatively, the Mayor's designee(s) to allow control over Content. The City reserves the right to restrict or remove any Content that is deemed in violation of this Social Media Policy or any applicable laws, rules regulations or policies. Any Content removed based on this Social Media Policy should be retained by the Site Administrator for a reasonable period of time, as well as information about the time, date, and identity of the poster, when available.
- F. This Social Media Policy must be displayed to users or made available by hyperlink to an appropriate location on the City's website at [https:// townofvance.weebly.com/](https://townofvance.weebly.com/).
- G. The City's website at <https://townofvance.weebly.com/> will remain the City's primary and predominant Internet presence.
- H. All City Social Media sites shall adhere to applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and policies.
- I. City Social Media sites are subject to Alabama public records and record retention laws, rules, regulations and policies. Any Content maintained in a Social Media format that is related to City business, including a list of subscribers, posted communication, and communication submitted for posting, may be a public record subject to public disclosure. The department site administrator will maintain records in accordance with Alabama public records and record retention laws, rules, regulations and policies.
- J. Comments or other Content on topics or issues not related to City business or within the jurisdictional purview of the City shall not be posted and may be removed.
- K. Employees representing the City via City Social Media sites shall conduct themselves at all times as representatives of the City in accordance with all City rules, regulations and policies.

- L. This Social Media Policy may be updated from time to time and amended at the discretion of the Mayor with the consent and approval of the City Council.

IV. Content Policy.

- A. As a public entity, the City should abide by certain standards to serve all its constituents in a civil and unbiased manner.
- B. The intended purpose behind establishing City Social Media sites is to disseminate information from the City, about the City, to its citizens.
- C. Content perceived as containing any of the following inappropriate forms of content shall not be permitted on City Social Media sites and is subject to removal and/or restriction by the City's Site Administrator, the City Mayor, or their designees:
1. Content not related to the original topic or to the business of the City, including random or unintelligible comments;
 2. Profane, obscene, violent or pornographic Content and/or language;
 3. Content that promotes, fosters, or perpetuates discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender, physical and mental disability, sexual orientation, religion, age, family status, military status, or source of income.
 4. Defamatory or personal attacks;
 5. Threats to any person or organization;
 6. Content in support of, or opposition to, any political campaigns or ballot measures;
 7. Solicitation of commerce, including but not limited to the advertising of any business or product for sale (except for event-related posts);
 8. Conduct in violation of any federal, state, or local law, rule or regulation;
 9. Encouragement of illegal activity;
 10. Information that may tend to compromise the safety or security of the public or public systems;
 11. Content that violates a legal ownership interest, such as, but not limited to a copyright, of any party;
 12. In rare circumstances, the City may remove content not specifically listed above when required to maintain the site's operational function. This authority shall be exercised in an unbiased manner. Users may contact the City Clerk to request review of removed content; or

13. Any other Content deemed inappropriate by the City.

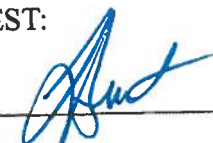
- D. Content posted by a member of the public on any City Social Media site shall be the opinion of the commentator or poster only, and publication of Content does not imply endorsement of, or agreement by, the City, nor does such Content necessarily reflect the opinions or policies of the City.
- E. The City reserves the right to deny access to City Social Media sites to any person who violates the City's Social Media Policy, at any time and without prior notice.
- F. City Social Media sites are intended to disseminate information about City programs, services and events and not as a public forum for response to the questions or comments of citizens. If the City's Site Administrator, in the course of monitoring City Social Media sites, identifies content requesting a response from the City, that request will be brought to the attention of the Mayor and/or their designee(s) for determination of whether and how to respond to such a request.
- G. The City's Site Administrator shall monitor Content posted on City Social Media sites for Content in violation of this Social Media Policy.
- H. Content posted to any City Social Media site must comply with that site's terms and conditions, and the City reserves the right to report any violation of those terms to the Site Administrator so the Site Administrator may take appropriate and reasonable responsive action.

Approved this 1st day of Nov 2025.

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Mayor, Brenda Morrison

ATTEST:

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City Clerk, Tracy Burt