



City Council Passes Budget for FY 2018

Posted: Oct 3, 2017 9:13 PM CDT

by Ellis Eskew (<http://www.alabamaneews.net/bios/ellis-eskew-anchorreporter/>)



The \$252 million budget was passed.

There were several things amended before that could happen.

The lodging tax increase was approved. Area hotel guests will pay a one percent tax increase.

Councilmen we talked to say the mayor's school study proposal for a city school system is off the table for now.

The \$150 thousand allotted for the proposal will now go back to mental health authority, which had been cut before.

Councilman Fred Bell says he didn't vote for the budget, but at the end of the day he is glad everyone was heard.

"You know in a democracy when the majority votes, you put aside your political differences and you work to make it a better place. There were some good things and I was elated to see the 150 thousand going back to mental health authority," said Bell.

The budget included merit raises for 2700 city employees.

RELATED POSTS

- [Hunting Season Provides Huge Economic Impact \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/hunting-season-provides-huge-economic-impact/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/hunting-season-provides-huge-economic-impact/)
- [Crenshaw Co. Schools Cancels Classes a Second Day ... \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/crenshaw-co-schools-cancels-classes-second-day-following-veiled-threat/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/crenshaw-co-schools-cancels-classes-second-day-following-veiled-threat/)
- [AL Death Row Inmate Asks U.S. Supreme Court to Hol... \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/al-death-row-inmate-asks-u-s-supreme-court-hold-off-execution/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/al-death-row-inmate-asks-u-s-supreme-court-hold-off-execution/)
- [Former Vice President Urges Voters to Elect Democr... \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/former-vice-president-urges-voters-elect-democratic-candidate-senate-special-election/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/2017/10/03/former-vice-president-urges-voters-elect-democratic-candidate-senate-special-election/)

0 Comments

Sort by



Add a comment...



**ENTER TO WIN A
FAMILY FOUR-PACK**
TO DREAM FIELD FARMS PUMPKIN PATCH

[CLICK HERE](#)



[News \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/)

[Montgomery](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/montgomery/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/montgomery/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/montgomery/)

[West Alabama \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/west-alabama/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/west-alabama/)

[South Alabama \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/south-alabama/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/south-alabama/)

[Troy \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/troy/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/troy/)

[Statewide \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/statewide/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/statewide/)

[Crime \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/crime/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/crime/)

[News Extras: Features & Specials](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/news-extras-features-specials/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/news-extras-features-specials/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/news-extras-features-specials/)

[News Video \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/news-video/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/news-video/)

[Weather \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/)

[Maps \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/map/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/map/)

[Radar \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/radar/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/radar/)

[Skycams \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/skycams/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/skycams/)

[Weather Alerts](http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/weather-alerts/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/weather-alerts/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/weather/weather-alerts/)

[Sports \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/)

[Alabama \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/alabama/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/alabama/)

[Auburn \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/auburn/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/auburn/)

[Troy \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/troy/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/sports/troy/)

[Events \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/events/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/events/)

[Watch Live \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/watch-live/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/watch-live/)

Features

[First Responder](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/first-responder/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/first-responder/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/first-responder/)

[Chef's Corner \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/chefs-corner/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/chefs-corner/)

[Faith Matters \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/faith-matters/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/faith-matters/)

[Golden Apple](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/golden-apple/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/golden-apple/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/golden-apple/)

[Medical Breakthroughs](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/medical-breakthroughs/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/medical-breakthroughs/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/medical-breakthroughs/)

[On Your Side \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/on-your-side/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/on-your-side/)

[Positively Alabama](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/positively-alabama/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/positively-alabama/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/positively-alabama/)

[i-Team \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/i-team/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/news/i-team/)

[The Morning Pledge](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/the-morning-pledge/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/the-morning-pledge/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/the-morning-pledge/)

[What's Right \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/whats-right/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/whats-right/)

[Lost and Found Pets](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/lost-found-pets/)

[\(http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/lost-found-pets/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/features/lost-found-pets/)

[About Us \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/about-us/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/about-us/)

[Contact Us \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/about-us/contact-us/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/about-us/contact-us/)

[Our Team \(http://www.alabamaneews.net/about-us/our-team/\)](http://www.alabamaneews.net/about-us/our-team/)