

## ORDINANCE NO. 2018-1

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF A CERTAIN SUM FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE MARION COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOLS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HAMILTON

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Hamilton (the "City") recognize that the schools of the Marion County Board of Education that are located in the City of Hamilton, namely, Hamilton Elementary, Hamilton Middle School, and Hamilton High School (the "Hamilton Schools") are not provided with sufficient funds for classroom instruction to enable them to best prepare their students for many of the challenges they will face in an increasingly competitive, high-tech, global economy; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City have been urged by a number of education professionals, civic leaders, and citizens in the City to help provide funding for the Hamilton Schools for classroom instructional purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized under Alabama law to expend funds for educational purposes which benefit its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City has previously adopted an Ordinance (the "Alcohol Ordinance") wherein the City provides a certain percentage of Alcohol Revenue for the purpose of providing funding for classroom instruction purposes in the Hamilton schools; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to provide a sum certain, not tied to a specific source of revenue, to the Hamilton Schools for the purpose of providing funding for classroom instruction purposes of the Hamilton Schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council, as follows:

1. That the City shall maintain the current interest-bearing account at PeoplesTrust Bank, or at such other bank or banks which the Council shall from time-to-time designate, named "City of Hamilton Special School Account". All checks disbursing funds from the account shall bear the signature of the Mayor and City Clerk.

2. That the City Clerk shall directly deposit **One Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$135,000.00)** annually into the City of Hamilton Special School Account.

3. That by the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September of 2018 and the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September of 2019, or at any other times as the Mayor and City Council may deem appropriate, the City shall disburse the funds that is deposited in the City of Hamilton Special School Account as follows: **Twenty-One Thousand Dollars (\$21,000.00)** to be divided equally among the full-time teachers to be placed into their school accounts; **Thirty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$38,000.00)** for use at the Hamilton Elementary School; **Thirty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$38,000.00)** for use at the Hamilton Middle School; and **Thirty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$38,000.00)** for use at the Hamilton High School (the "Hamilton Schools Disbursements").

4. The Hamilton School Disbursements to the Hamilton Schools hereunder are intended to enhance student academics. The Hamilton School Disbursements may be used only for obtaining classroom educational and instructional materials, equipment, and supplies; equipment necessary for classroom education or extensions of classroom

course work; and to provide educational experiences for students. The Hamilton School Disbursements may not be used for maintenance (except for maintenance of classroom equipment used for instructional purposes); athletics or other extra-curricular activities; janitorial, housekeeping, and lunchroom supplies or equipment; salaries, supplements, or wages; or for purchasing office equipment.

5. The Advisory Committee for the Hamilton Schools (the "Advisory Committee"), shall consist of the Hamilton Elementary School Principal, the Hamilton Middle School Principal and the Hamilton High School Principal. Each member of the Advisory Committee shall be responsible solely for its respective school and shall be responsible for assuring that funds are expended only for the purposes designated herein and that accepted public accounting methods are employed to account for all funds distributed hereunder. The Advisory Committee shall develop their own internal guidelines and procedures to insure that funds are equitably distributed for school-wide applications and throughout all of the classrooms, and for determining how specific expenditures shall be authorized and disbursed.

6. All records of accounts and expenditure of funds hereunder shall be available at all times to the Mayor, City Clerk, and other agents of the City that the City Council shall from time-to-time designate. The Advisory Committee shall report to the Mayor and Council prior to September 1, 2019 and September 1, 2020 on the status of the Committee's operations and procedures and present the expenditures for the previous year and any proposals for use of the Hamilton School Disbursements for the coming year.

7. Ordinance No. 2013-10 is hereby repealed.

Adopted and approved this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2018.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk