



Walt Maddox
Mayor



NEWSLETTER

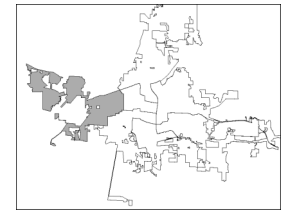
City of Tuscaloosa
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Bobby Howard
District 1

BBHW2@COMCAST.NET



Bobby Howard



District 1

Greetings to the citizens of Tuscaloosa, District 1:

Thank you for your support and understanding for the past three years. As we enter our fourth and final year of this term I want to recap some of the many things that I've been working on.

First, the **Stillman Boulevard** project has taken a different turn. From the beginning we only planned to widen the street and install curb and sidewalk on the north side only, but after seeing the result of that work we realized that we need to place curb and gutter on the south side. So we have decided to finish what we've started and then immediately begin a phase II to complete the other side, therefore you will see a continued construction on Stillman Boulevard for the immediate future.

Royal Pines: Thank God we are finally getting to work, understand that there will be some inconveniencies as the work progress but be patient. This work will be on the north side of Johnson Road and the drainage work for the south side of Johnson Road will be a part of the Taylor Circle project that goes down to the Berkshire area.

The Downtown Area and Revitalization Project: As you can see much of the city's portion of the work is complete on the new Annex and the Downtown intermodal facility (parking deck). The IMF will house an eatery or two. The new plaza "green space" work will not actually begin until later this summer. Be aware that there will be some inconveniences in the downtown area for the near future. Bear with us, it'll be worth it. The new courthouse is scheduled to begin in 2010. Therefore, we must relocate our underground infrastructure before that work begins. The most interruptions that you will see in the near future will be the work at University Blvd. and 21st St., try to avoid that area if you can, we plan to have that work complete before the students return in the fall. Bryant Drive is complete, you can now use Bryant Drive and enjoy the beautiful view.

The new **City Hall Annex** is now occupied. The new annex is the new building that is located on the west side of city hall on the site where the municipal court once stood. The new annex will house the water department (where you pay your water bill). Also the Revenue Department is located in the annex.

Fosters Ferry Road Project: Thanks to all of you for your patience and understanding while the construction has been going on. We've had very few problems or complaints; thank you. The workers are about ready to start applying the first layer of asphalt, things should start to look better soon.

The West End Area: Work on the west end park located between 7th and 8th Streets is complete and PARA has informed me that they are ready to dedicate the new park. I've asked the Friendship Baptist

Church to help us by adopting the park and to help us to maintain the park.

McKenzie Court: The Hope Six (McKenzie Court) development is progressing well and is being populated; it's beautiful thanks to the City of Tuscaloosa and the Tuscaloosa housing authority. We look forward to the completion and the repopulation of that community.

Taylor Circle: I apologize for all of the delays but they were unavoidable. Soon we will be approaching some of you about easements and right-of-way, and when we do, please be ready to sign so that we can get started on that project. We anticipate some delays with absentee property owners, so we may need your help in contacting some owners. I will call a meeting for Taylor Circle soon, please plan to attend this meeting. The Taylor Circle work is planned for the entire length of the ditch from Taylor Circle to Highway 11 near the Berkshire area some of this is in the county therefore it's a joint venture but we won't let that hinder us we will do our part regardless.

To the residents of Oakdale, Greenview, Virginia Circle, Westfield and Washington Square, we will be clearing the drainage ditch of the beaver dams soon so that water should be moving better until we can finish the preliminary planning with the county to go in and do some remediation work in that area.

Here is a list of active **Neighborhood Organizations** that I know of in District One:

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Oakdale | 9. Original City |
| 2. Greenview | 10. Snow Terrace |
| 3. West Highland | 11. College Hills |
| 4. Lincoln Park | 12. Westfield |
| 5. Taylor Circle | 13. Royal Pines |
| 6. Virginia Circle | 14. Down town Merchants |
| 7. McKenzie Court | 15. Central Park |
| 8. Washington Square | |

We need to hear from the rest of you neighborhoods or if I omitted your organization please let me know. I am always delighted to meet with groups no matter how large or small. My door is always open, you can reach me at (205) 393-5661 feel free to call at any time. These are exciting times for the city of Tuscaloosa, we have an excellent council and an outstanding mayor. It truly is a pleasure to serve with all of them, and the city staff are the most professional group of people I've ever had the pleasure to work with.

Thank You,
Bobby Howard
Tuscaloosa City Councilman, District 1



Walt Maddox
Mayor



**The University of Alabama
2009 Football Schedule**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>
Sept. 5	VA Tech (Atlanta)
Sept. 12	Florida Int.
Sept. 19	North Texas
Sept. 26	Arkansas
Oct. 3	at Kentucky
Oct. 10	at Ole Miss
Oct. 17	South Carolina
Oct. 24	Tennessee
Oct. 31	Bye Week
Nov. 7	LSU
Nov. 14	at Miss. State
Nov. 21	Tennessee Chatt.
Nov. 28	at Auburn

Visit us on the web at
www.tuscaloosa.com

Tuscaloosa **311**.com
Make One Call to City Hall

The 311 Call Center staff would like to thank all of the citizens of the City of Tuscaloosa for their participation with 311 and making the system a beneficial tool. 311 is the one call to City Hall for all Non-Emergency City related services and inquires. We are here for the citizens of Tuscaloosa. If you have any questions, problems or concerns, please call us. If we don't have the answer we will find the answer for you.

We are open from 7am until 7pm Monday thru Friday and we will be open four hours prior to the kick off of all Alabama home football games due to the number of people in town for the games.

We are here to help keep our city open, efficient and customer friendly. We have an automated

system after 7pm that will allow you to leave a voice message if you would like, we will enter your request, or call you back the next business day.

When you see problems and issues around the city that need to be addressed, please call 311. We are always looking for ways to improve, so please let us hear from you with any suggestions that may help improve the 311 system.

Just go to www.tuscaloosa311.com with any questions or issues that need to be addressed by the City, or just dial 311.

Thank you all,

Dawn Barnes
City of Tuscaloosa
311 Call Center Manager

CITY COUNCIL MEETING TIMES

WEEKLY CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Weekly on Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., Council Chambers – City Hall (Pre-Council Meetings on Tuesday, 1:30 in the Narashino Room adjacent to the Council Chambers in City Hall)

PUBLIC PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Weekly on Tuesday, 2:30 Daugherty Room – Second Floor, City Hall

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

On the Second and Fourth Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the Garner Conference Room – 3rd Floor of the Alvin P. DuPont Municipal Court Building.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

First Tuesday of each month at 4:00 in the Garner Conference Room – 3rd Floor of the Alvin P. DuPont Municipal Court Building.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Third Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the Narashino Room adjacent to the Council Chambers in City Hall.

OTHER MEETINGS

If there is a need for additional Committee meetings, notice will be given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Law, Act 2005-40 (Ala. Code §36-25A-1).