



Audiovisual Upgrades Coming to the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena

The Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena Banquet Hall is set to receive a major audiovisual upgrade that will significantly improve the facility for meetings, conferences, and community gatherings. At its November 17 meeting, the Pelham City Council approved a proposal from Switch, LLC to replace and modernize the current A/V systems.

The project, which is fully funded in the FY2026 City budget, includes new equipment and system enhancements totaling up to \$99,408.85. To reduce overall costs, the City will also purchase much of the required equipment through OMNIA Partners, a cooperative purchasing program that streamlines procurement and provides competitive pricing. These purchases are approved for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

Once completed, the upgraded system will deliver more transparent sound, improved video projection, and a more seamless experience for event hosts at the Banquet Hall. The improvements are expected to make the Civic Complex an even more attractive venue for community events, corporate meetings, banquets, and regional gatherings.

This investment continues the City's ongoing efforts to ensure Pelham's public facilities remain modern, functional, and welcoming to residents and visitors alike.

Improved Lighting at City Park

The Pelham City Council has approved upgrades to lighting at the Pelham City Park Splash Pad and Dog Park. Through an agreement with Alabama Power, four existing fixtures will be replaced with modern, energy-efficient LED lights owned and maintained by the utility provider.

The enhanced lighting will improve visibility in the evenings and early mornings, making the area safer and more welcoming for families and pet owners who frequent the parks year-round.

City Council Notes

- Accepted a proposal and entered into a professional services agreement with TTL, Inc. to provide construction materials testing and special inspection services for the Pelham Sports Park Renovations Project.
- Accepted a proposal from Rast Construction, Inc. for the installation of new water gate valves.
- Accepted a proposal and entered into an agreement with Taylor Power Systems for the installation of a new diesel generator for the Weatherly Booster Station.
- Accepted a proposal from Switch, LLC for the replacement and upgrade of existing audio/visual equipment at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena Banquet Hall Facility.
- Accepted a bid from Capstone Contractors, LLC for the Chandalar Lane/Hamilton Road Water Main Replacement Project.
- Entered into a lighting services agreement with Alabama Power Company for the replacement of existing lights with LED fixtures for the parking lot adjacent to the Pelham Splash Pad & Dog Park.
- Entered into a funding agreement with Shelby County related to Emergency Medical Transportation Services.
- Approved a request made by AT&T for a special use permit for a cell tower modification located at 2052 Beabout Drive.
- Adopted an amendment regarding the appointment process for a municipal board.
- Authorized the purchase of police vehicles.
- Approved an ABC License 020-Restaurant Retail Liquor for Crowdaddys, LLC, located at 3220 Cahaba Valley Road.



Pelham Fire Captain Recognized for Camp Conquest

At the December 1, 2025, City Council meeting, Fire Chief Mike Reid recognized Pelham Fire Captain Wes Greene and 16-year-old Brandon "Blue" Berry for their long-standing involvement in Camp Conquest, Alabama's pediatric burn camp hosted in partnership with Children's of Alabama and firefighter organizations across the state. Captain Greene and Blue, who is from Eclectic, Alabama, have attended Camp Conquest together as counselor and camper for nine years, and this year they were selected to represent Alabama at an International Burn Camp in Washington, D.C., joining participants from 39 states.

Captain Greene shared how Camp Conquest helps burn survivors build confidence, explaining that many campers arrive hesitant to show their scars but leave the week stronger and more self-assured. He also thanked the City's leadership for supporting Pelham's continued involvement, noting the department's hands-on role in serving as counselors, preparing meals, providing boating activities, and offering whatever help is needed to give campers a fun, safe week at Lake Martin. City council members expressed appreciation for the team's passion and service, praising the program's impact and the Pelham Fire Department's commitment to supporting children and families through meaningful experiences.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR EMS

The Shelby County Commission has once again approved \$39,240 in funding for FY26 to support Pelham's Emergency Medical Services. This appropriation, consistent with last year's amount, helps offset the cost of providing EMS response within Pelham and mutual aid to neighboring communities.

The funds may be used for EMS equipment and supplies, fuel, maintenance and repair costs related to transport services, and other operational needs. This continued support strengthens Pelham's ability to deliver timely, reliable emergency care to residents.



FIRE SAFETY TIP From the Pelham Fire Department

As you deck the halls this holiday season, be fire smart. A small fire that spreads to a Christmas tree can grow large very quickly.

Facts:

- Almost one-third of home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems.
- Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are more likely to be serious.
- A heat source too close to the tree causes more than one in every five fires.
- Read more Christmas tree fire safety tips on the [PFD Fire Prevention webpage](#) under "Quick Links".

Holiday Closings & Adjusted Hours

December 22–28, 2025

- Pelham Recreation Center:
Closed for resurfacing of the gymnasium floor

December 23, 2025

- Pelham Public Library: Closes at 5:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve – December 24, 2025

- Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena:
Closes at 1:30 p.m.
- All other facilities are closed.

Christmas Day – December 25, 2025

- All facilities closed

New Year's Eve – December 31, 2025

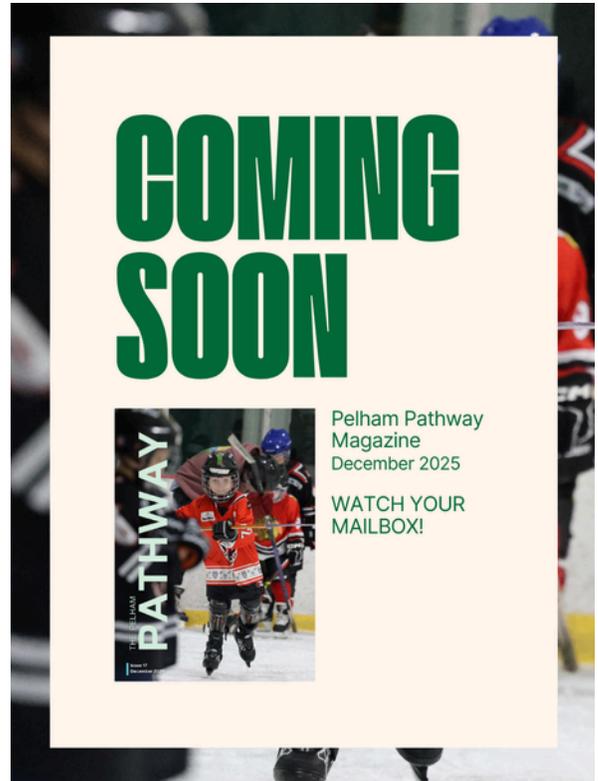
- Pelham City Hall & Administrative Offices:
Open
- Ballantrae Golf Club: Normal hours
- Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena:
Closes at 5:00 p.m.
- Pelham Public Library: Closes at 5:00 p.m.
- Pelham Racquet Club: 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Pelham Recreation Center: 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Pelham Senior Center:
Regular hours, 9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

New Year's Day – January 1, 2026

- Ballantrae Golf Club:
Normal hours; holiday rates in effect
- Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena:
Opens at 1:00 p.m.
- All other facilities are closed.

Amwaste Holiday Schedule:

For Amwaste holiday service changes, please follow the City of Pelham's official social media channels for updates to the trash pickup schedule.



AGENDAS, MINUTES, & MEETINGS

The Pelham City Council meets on the first and third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at Pelham City Hall.

Scan the QR code to find links to agendas, minutes, and streaming information.

