

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
SOUTHERN DIVISION

ANTHONY COOPER, individually)
and on behalf of a class of similarly)
situated people,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.) Case No. 1:15-CV-425-WKW
)
THE CITY OF DOTHAN,)
)
Defendant.)

CONSENT DECREE

Before the court is the parties' joint motion for entry of a consent decree. (Doc. # 38). Upon consideration of the motion, and for good cause, it is ORDERED that the motion (Doc. # 38) is GRANTED.

The Parties have conferred and have stipulated that the procedures set forth in the Dothan Municipal Court order issued on June 25, 2015 (Doc. # 20-1), if followed, satisfy the concerns raised in Plaintiff's Motion for Preliminary Injunction. (Doc. # 2.) In accordance with the parties' stipulations and the joint motion for entry of a consent decree (Doc. # 38), is it ORDERED:

1. The City of Dothan shall comply with the procedures set forth in the Municipal Court order (Doc. # 20-1) issued on June 25, 2015, for a period of no less than three years from the date of this Order.

2. During the three-year period, the City of Dothan will notify this Court and Plaintiff's counsel at the earliest time practicable after notice to the City of any intent by the Municipal Court Judge to make a material change to the June 25, 2015 Municipal Court order. At that point, any conflict between this Order, constitutional requirements, or state law requiring the City of Dothan to comply with the order issued by the Municipal Court may be brought before this Court on an expedited basis if any party so desires.

3. If, during the three-year period, Plaintiff concludes that Defendant has not complied in good faith with this Order, Plaintiff may petition the Court for the entry of a permanent injunction against the City of Dothan and any other equitable relief as deemed appropriate.

4. All claims for damages are dismissed with prejudice, all requests and motions for class certification are withdrawn by the parties, and all claims for relief are dismissed subject to the court's power to enforce the consent decree.

DONE this 13th day of April, 2016.

/s/ W. Keith Watkins
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE