

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS OCTOBER 3, 2017

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. in the Court Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Mayor Robert Smith, Sr. presided over the meeting and all Council Members were present. Also present were the COO, CFO, General Counsel, Police Chief, and the Human Resources Director.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order and called upon Council Member Box to offer the Invocation.

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 12 & 19, 2017.

Council Member Mickens made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Meetings of September 12 & 19, 2017. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR OCTOBER 3, 2017.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Docket of Claims for October 3, 2017, in the amount of \$719,197.81. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

Change the number of Police Officers to be sworn in from four (4) to five (5).

Delete Colin Krieger as an applicant for the Golden Triangle Airport Board.

POLICY AGENDA:

Add Item "E" – *Discuss/Approve Advertising City Resources.*

Add Item "F" – *Award Annual Bids.*

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented, with the above amendments. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion. The Mayor called for discussion, and there being none, all Council Members voted in favor of same, with a unanimous vote.

The motion carried.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- G. Approve request to refund a citizen, Gloria Christian, the amount of \$275.00 for cancellation of Trotter Convention Center Rental.
- B. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Firefighter, Andrew McDonald, to attend "Airport Firefighter" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$790.00 for registration, \$50.00 for travel and reimbursement meal expenses.
- C. Approve request for five (5) Fire and Rescue Personnel: Michael Miller, Melvin Junkin, Chip Kain, Justin Cox, and Jacob Faulkner, to attend "FUNSAR" to be held in Meridian, MS, and approve payment of \$30.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- D. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Deputy Fire Marshal, Madison Guyton, to attend "Mississippi Fire Investigators Association 2017 Fall Seminar" to be held in Vicksburg, MS, and approve payment of \$175.00 for registration, \$207.00 for lodging, \$100.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- E. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Chief, Martin Andrews and Chief of Training, Mike Chandler, to attend "2017 Fire Department Training Chiefs Conference" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment \$270.00 for registration, \$279.00 each for lodging, \$75.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- F. Accept Municipal Court Clerk Administrator's Certificate of Annual Training from the Mississippi Judicial College for the Municipal Court Clerks Statewide Seminar.
- G. Approve request to authorize the Human Resources Director to begin the normal recruitment process to fill a Public Works Laborer position.

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- H. Accept resignation letter from CPD Investigator, Gerald Hayes, effective September 22, 2017.
- I. Approve request for Police Department CID Captain, Brent Swan, and Investigator, Thomas Watkins, to attend the "FBI Crisis Negotiation" to be held in Tupelo, MS, and approve payment for travel expenses.
- J. Ratify permit request submitted by Charlie Carter, on behalf of Shiloh Full Gospel Baptist Church, to host a "Church Picnic" that was held on September 23, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. with Short Main Street at 18th Street South to the end of 18th Street South at College Street blocked off.
- K. Approve permit request submitted by the Benefit Fund Committee, on behalf of the Columbus Police Department, to host the "Haunted House Fundraiser" to be held at the Trotter Convention Center October 27-28 and 30-31, 2017 from 5:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. The Committee also requests approval to block off 2nd Avenue North at Zachary's to the end of the Trotter Convention Center on 2nd Avenue North.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with the above amendments. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion. The Mayor called for discussion, and their being none, All Council Members voted in favor of same, with a unanimous vote.

The motion carried.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

G. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members

There were no comments from the Mayor and Council Members.

B. Swearing in of five (5) CPD Officers

- Devin Michael Strong
- Isaiah Smith
- Raymond Cyr
- John Tulipan
- John Compton

Mayor Smith swore in five (5) Police Officers and the new officers recited the Oath of Office. The Police Chief and Assistant Police Chief were also present.

C. Board Vacancies

Golden Triangle Airport Board

- 1 Vacancy due to the passing of Mr. Johnny W. Fisher
- 5-Year Unexpired Term will end 6/20/2022.
- Appointment can be made 10/3/2017.

Applicants

- Steven L. James, Sr.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to appoint Steven L. James, Sr. to the Golden Triangle Airport Board to fill the unexpired term of the Late Mr. Johnny Fisher, until June 20, 2022. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

No one requested to be on the Citizens Input Agenda.

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

G. Discuss/Approve hiring two (2) Entry Level Firefighters, contingent upon a successful pre-employment physical examination and drug screen.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to hire Christian Davis and Dakota Chancery as Entry-Level Firefighters, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment medical examination and drug screen. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

B. Discuss/Approve HVAC Service Agreement for City Hall.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the HVAC Mechanical Service Agreement for City Hall between the City of Columbus and Brislin, Inc. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

- C. Discuss/Approve hiring three (3) Entry Level CPD Police Officers, contingent upon a successful pre-employment physical examination, drug screen and approval from the Civil Service Commission for one of the applicants.**

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the request to hire **Jeremy Brown, Virginia McDonald, and Benjamin Porter** as Police Officers, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment medical examination and drug screen. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

- D. Discuss/Approve cost of property cleanup on cases previously heard by Council and for which remediation has been completed.**

Council Member Jones made a motion to adjudicate property previously heard by Council and for which remediation has been completed. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

THE ADJUDICATED LIST FOLLOWS:

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POST OFFICE BOX 1408
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Invoice

CROSS REGIONAL FUNDING LP
489 COBB ROAD
CALEDONIA, MS 39740

Address:	133 MAPLE STREET
APN:	62W11-02-04800
Case No:	CE-16-0304
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 16-0304-0918

Date: September 18, 2017

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, THE CITY HAS INCURRED THE EXPENSES NOTED BELOW IN REMEDIATING THE UNACCEPTABLE CONDITION OF YOUR PROPERTY. A LIEN HAS BEEN FILED AGAINST THE PROPERTY IN THE OFFICE OF THE LOWNDES COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK.

PAYMENT IS DUE UPON RECEIPT AND IF NOT PAID IN FULL BEFORE 07/31/2018 IT WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR PROPERTY TAX BILL AS A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT. SUBSEQUENTLY, IF PAYMENT TO THE TAX COLLECTOR BECOMES DELINQUENT, YOUR PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD IN THE ANNUAL TAX SALE TO SATISFY THE CITY'S LIEN.

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		789.00
	Admin Fee		12.50
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		10/04/2016	

TERMS: Due on receipt

SUBTOTAL	801.50
TAX RATE	
SALES TAX	
SHIPPING & HANDLING	
TOTAL	801.50

Make all checks payable to **City of Columbus**

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BELL PROP DESIGN GROUP LLC
251 DICKERSON LANE
COLUMBUS, MS 39705

Address:	1104 9TH AVE N
APN:	61W07-02-07000
Case No:	CE-17-0044
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 17-0044-0918
Date: September 18, 2017

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		53.00
	Admin Fee		12.50
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		05/16/2017	
SUBTOTAL			65.50
TAX RATE			
SALES TAX			
SHIPPING & HANDLING			
TOTAL			65.50

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ADEA RENTAL PROPERTIES
1626 DIANE DR
JACKSON, MS 39204

Address:	111 MILL ST
APN:	56W20-03-11400
Case No:	CE-17-0108
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 17-0108-0918

Date: September 18, 2017

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		156.50
	Admin Fee		12.50
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		06/06/2017	

TERMS: Due on receipt

SUBTOTAL	169.00
TAX RATE	
SALES TAX	
SHIPPING & HANDLING	
TOTAL	169.00

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MORGAN THOMAS
2119 O'LEARY LANE
COLUMBUS, MS 39702

Invoice #: 17-0151-0918
Date: September 18, 2017

Address:	16TH ST S
APN:	61W11-02-08000
Case No:	CE-17-0151
Violation:	Property Maintenance

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		65.50
	Admin Fee		12.50
	DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL	08/01/2017	
		SUBTOTAL	78.00
		TAX RATE	
		SALES TAX	
		SHIPPING & HANDLING	
		TOTAL	78.00

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THOMPSON JOHN T
PO BX 5056
COLUMBUS, MS 39704

Address:	1411 15TH AVEN
APN:	56W18-02-03900
Case No:	CE-17-0156
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 17-0156-0918
Date: September 18, 2017

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		98.00
	Admin Fee		12.50
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		07/18/2017	
SUBTOTAL			110.50
TAX RATE			
SALES TAX			
SHIPPING & HANDLING			
TOTAL			110.50

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7102 Roselake Circe
Douglasville, Ga 30134

Invoice #: 17-0174-0918

Date: September 18, 2017

Address:	2210 5TH AVE S
APN:	61W12-00-17900
Case No:	CE-17-0174
Violation:	Property Maintenance

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		144.00
	Admin Fee		12.50
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		08/01/2017	

SUBTOTAL	156.50
TAX RATE	
SALES TAX	
SHIPPING & HANDLING	
TOTAL	156.50

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BELL PROP DESIGN GROUP LLC
251 DICKERSON LANE
COLUMBUS, MS 39705

Address:	111 BEECH ST
APN:	62W11-02-02700
Case No:	CE-17-0239
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 17-0239-0918

Date: September 18, 2017

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		173.00
	Admin Fee		12.50
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		09/05/2017	

TERMS: Due on receipt

SUBTOTAL	185.50
TAX RATE	
SALES TAX	
SHIPPING & HANDLING	
TOTAL	185.50

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E. Discuss/Approve Advertising City Resources.

Council Member Gavin moved to approve the expenditure of \$ 61,000.00 from 107-350-703 (Advertising City Resources) and find that said amount is a legitimate expense that will advertise and bring into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Columbus. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion. (Park & Rec. Special Events).

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

F. Award Annual Bids.

Pat Mitchell presented the bid tabulations for annual bids and recommended that the Council approve them for FY 2017 – 2018. Council Member Taylor made a motion to award the Annual Bids for FY 2017 – 2018. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

THE BID RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOW. TABULATIONS WILL BE PLACED IN OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.

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**ANNUAL BIDS
September 14, 2017
10:00 A.M.**

AUTOMOTIVE, TRUCK & EQUIPMENT TIRES AND TUBES:

Bid Recommendation:

- **Bates Tire Center (Uses State Contract Pricing)**
- **Jones Tire Service (formerly Waters Truck & Tire)**

(Where there is no bid, call for quotes)

COLD MIX ASPHALT & HOT MIX ASPHALT

Bid Recommendation:

- **APAC-Mississippi, Inc.**

CONCRETE:

Bid Recommendation:

- **MMC, Inc. (NO BID)**

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(Where there is no bid, call for quotes)

CONCRETE CULVERT PIPE:

Bid Recommendation:

- **Coburn Supply Company**

CORRUGATED METAL PIPE:

Bid Recommendation:

- **Southern Pipe & Supply**
- **G & O Products**

CRUSHED LIMESTONE #7:

CRUSHED LIMESTONE #8:

CRUSHER RUN LIMESTONE:

RIPRAP (100# & 200#):

#89 AGGREGATE:

CEMENT TREATED BASE:

Bid Recommendation:

- **ROGERS GROUP, INC.**

PEA GRAVEL:

Bid Recommendation:

- **NO BID**

(Call for quotes)

CLAY GRAVEL:

FILL SAND:

Bid Recommendation:

- **NO BID**

(Call for quotes)

MASON SAND:

Bid Recommendation:

- **APAC-Mississippi**

TOP SOIL:

Bid Recommendation:

- **APAC-Mississippi, Inc.**

MULCH:

Bid Recommendation:

- **NO BID**

(Call for quotes)

POLYETHYLENE CULVERT PIPE AND COUPLINGS:

Bid Recommendation:

- **PERMA CORP, INC., Columbus, MS**
- **SOUTHERN PIPE AND SUPPLY CO.**
- **G & O SUPPLY CO., INC., Tupelo, Jackson, Byhalia, MS**
- **Coburn Supply Company, Tupelo, MS**

All four (4) companies are distributors for Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. ADS, Inc. will guarantee the price that was bid. Perma Corp. and Southern Pipe & Supply are local distributors and must deliver orders F.O.B. Columbus, MS location within twenty-four hours. If this is not possible, call the next distributor on the list.

SIGN POSTS, FACES, BLANKS, LETTERS, GALVANIZED POSTS, ROUND POST CAPS, SIGN CROSSES AND BLADES :

Bid Recommendation:

- **VULCAN SIGNS**
For: Aluminum Faces, Blanks and Blades
- **CUSTOM PRODUCTS CORPORATION**
For: Green U-Channel Posts, Engineer Grade Letters & Numbers, Galvanized Posts, Rock-Proof Round Post Caps, Rock-Proof Sign Crosses

Bids are valid from October 4, 2017 – September 30, 2018.

G. Adopt Resolution Regarding Sixteenth Section Property

Council Member **Gavin** moved to adopt a Resolution, that finds, determines, adjudicates, declares and resolves that the Mayor and City Council unanimously supports, as a result of the Lipscomb v. CMSD, et al Litigation, which established the legality of the 99-year leases, renewable forever for those properties covered by that litigation, there has been created an idiosyncratic situation for the Mayor and Council to manage in regards to those properties that were never covered by said litigation or that have ceased to be covered by said litigation pursuant to the terms of the settlement reached in the Lipscomb litigation. Council Member **Jones** seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR voted: YEA

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COUNCIL MEMBER MICKENS	voted:	<u>YEA</u>
COUNCIL MEMBER BOX	voted:	<u>YEA</u>
COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON	voted:	<u>YEA</u>
COUNCIL MEMBER JONES	voted:	<u>YEA</u>
COUNCIL MEMBER GAVIN	voted:	<u>YEA</u>

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the Council Members present, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted on the 3rd day of October, 2017.

THE RESOLUTION FOLLOWS:

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RESOLUTION

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus, in its capacity as such, and as successors in interest to the Trustees of Franklin Academy, took up for consideration the matter of supporting Local and Private Legislation to be proposed by the local Legislative Delegation during the 2018 Mississippi Legislative Session that would assist the City of Columbus and the Columbus Municipal School District in providing more revenue to the Columbus Municipal School District through the development of the uniquely situated Sixteenth Section property located within the boundaries of the City and the CMSD. After a discussion of this subject, Council Member b AVIN offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution:

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus of Lowndes County, Mississippi (the "Mayor and Council") hereby finds, determines, adjudicates, declares and resolves as follows:

1. As a result of the Lipscomb v. CMSD, et al litigation which established the legality of the 99-year leases renewable forever for those properties covered by that litigation, there has been created an idiosyncratic situation for the Mayor and Council to manage in regards to those properties that were never covered by said litigation or that have ceased to be covered by said litigation pursuant to the terms of the settlement reached in the Lipscomb litigation;
2. While the Mayor and Council acknowledge the protected special class of Sixteenth Section leases pursuant to the terms of the settlement of the Lipscomb federal litigation, the effort of the Local and Private Legislation will be to draw a distinction between the protected properties and leases and those that were never covered by said litigation or that have ceased to be covered by said litigation that are now uniquely situated as a result of the surrounding properties essentially being held in fee title;
3. The goal of the Local and Private Legislation is to foster development of these uniquely situated properties that were not subject to the referenced litigation or have ceased to be covered by the terms of the renewable forever provisions, in order that those properties might have market value so as to benefit the children of the Columbus Municipal School District through the highest and best use of these unique properties;
4. That the Mayor and City Council strongly urge Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant, Lieutenant Governor Tate Reeves, Secretary of State Delbert Hosemann and the Mississippi Senate and House of Representatives ("the State") to support the proposed Local and Private Legislation that will foster development of these uniquely situated Sixteenth Section properties within the Columbus Municipal School District, but likewise urge the State to continue to protect the 99 year renewable forever lease provisions that were covered by the referenced litigation and have not ceased to be covered by the settlement of same consistent with the Contracts Clause of the United States Constitution;
5. That the Mayor and City Council unanimously support the efforts of Local

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Legislators in Proposing Local and Private Legislation for the above purposes with the limitations described herein.

Council Member JONES seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Council Member Taylor	voted: <u>YEA</u>
Council Member Mickens	voted: <u>YEA</u>
Council Member Box	voted: <u>YEA</u>
Council Member Jackson	voted: <u>YEA</u>
Council Member Jones	voted: <u>YEA</u>
Council Member Gavin	voted: <u>YEA</u>

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the Council members present, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted, on the 3 day of October, 2017.



ROBERT E. SMITH, SR., MAYOR
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS

ATTEST:



MILTON RAWLE, JR. SECRETARY/TREASURER

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor then asked if there was any other business to come before the Mayor and City Council. There being none, Council Member Gavin moved that the meeting be adjourned. Upon second by Council Member Jackson and unanimous vote, the Mayor announced that the meeting was ADJOURNED.

Approved by: _____
Robert E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

Milton Rawle, Jr.,
CFO- Secretary-Treasurer