

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS

**AUGUST 22, 2018
1:30 P.M.**

The Mayor and City Council met in a Special Called Meeting on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 1:30 p.m., proper notice being posted, after having recessed from their last rescheduled meeting of August 20, 2018. The meeting was held in the Municipal Complex Court Room. Mayor Robert E. Smith, Sr. presided over the meeting via telephone and all Council Members were present, with Council Members Mickens, Jackson and Jones being present and Council Members Taylor, Box, and Gavin participating via telephone. Also present were the COO, the CFO, the General Counsel, the Police Chief, and all other Department Heads.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

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

II. DISCUSS TOURISM TAX RESOLUTION

Legal Counsel, Jeff Turnage, discussed the Resolution Memorializing the Support of the Mayor and City Council, City of Columbus, Mississippi, for the Enactment by the Mississippi Legislature of a Local and Private Act to Amend Certain existing Local and Private Laws relating to the Columbus-Lowndes Convention and Visitor's Bureau and the Reinstatement of a Two Percent (2%) Tax on the Gross Receipts of certain Restaurants located within Lowndes County and the City of Columbus, Mississippi. Council Member Gavin made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Said motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor, and after reading the Resolution in whole and in part, the Mayor asked for a vote on the Resolution and after discussion and deliberation, the Mayor called for the vote of all Council members, then and there voting as follows:

Council Member Gene Taylor	voted: <u>YES</u>
Council Member Joseph Mickens	voted: <u>YES</u>
Council Member Charlie Box	voted: <u>YES</u>
Council Member Fredrick Jackson	voted: <u>YES</u>
Council Member Stephen Jones	voted: <u>YES</u>
Council Member Bill Gavin	voted: <u>YES</u>

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The Mayor announced the motion passed and pronounced it a duly adopted Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus, Mississippi, with a copy spread on the minutes of the Mayor and City Council.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor Smith then asked if there was any other business to come before the Mayor and City Council. There being none, Council Member Taylor made a motion that the meeting adjourn. Upon second by Council Member Gavin and unanimous vote, the Mayor announced that the meeting was ADJOURNED.

APPROVED BY:

Robert E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

Milton Rawle, Jr.
CFO/Secretary-Treasurer

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