

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS NOVEMBER 6, 2018

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the Court Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Mayor Robert E. Smith, Sr. presided over the meeting, and all Council Members were present, with the exception of Council Member Gene Taylor, who was absent. Also present were the COO, CFO, General Counsel, Police Chief and the Human Resources Director.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

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

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 16, 2018.

Council Member Mickens made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of October 16, 2018. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2018.

Council Member Jackson made a motion to approve the Docket of Claims for November 6, 2018, in the amount of \$599,416.41. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

Change Item "H" to read: *Approve request to refund citizens for three (3) sports registrations and nine (9) clean-up deposits.*

Add Item "R" -

REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

Add Zoning Board of Adjustments & Appeals under Board Vacancies.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approve request to refund West Lowndes High School the sum of \$270.00 for cancellation of Trotter Convention Center.
- B. Ratify request for Fire and Rescue Firefighter David Tousley to deliver items needed by Homeland Security in response to Hurricane Michael in Hattiesburg, MS, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.
- C. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Chief of Training, Mike Chandler, to attend the "MS Minimum Standards & Certification Board Meeting" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$50.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- D. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Engineer, Marco Rodriguez, to attend the "MSWIN Site on Wheels" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$100.00 for travel and meal expenses. Expenses will be reimbursed by the Department of Homeland Security.
- E. Approve request for Fire & Rescue Personnel, Robert Kain and Marco Rodriguez, to attend the "Task Force 2 Structural Collapse Refresher" to be held in Meridian, MS, and approve payment of \$25.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- F. Accept letter of resignation from Fire and Rescue Firefighter, Wesley Gates, effective October 30, 2018, and approve request for compensation of any unused vacation leave.
- G. Accept letter of retirement from Fire and Rescue Captain, Mark Connors, effective November 29, 2018, and approve request for compensation of any unused vacation leave.
- H. Approve request to refund Vonnie Moody and Artemio Hernandez the sum of \$60.00 for sports registrations and Lushunda Lane \$50.00 for sports registration and Peggy James, Wanda Hubbard, Carrie Stephenson, Icie Wrench, Mahogani Leonard, Christopher Richardson, Norma Simmons, Richard Gardner, and Mary Lewis the sum of \$150.00 for clean-up deposits.
- I. Approve request for Interim City Planner, George Irby, Federal Programs Project Coordinator, Travis Jones, Administrative Assistant, Loria Porter, and Code Enforcement Officer, Tomarris Jones, to attend the "HOME Investment Partnership Phase II Application Workshop" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$282.00 for lodging, \$229.50 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- J. Approve request for CPD K-9 Handler, Cole Britt, and K-9 Stanley to attend a "Canine Trainer's Course" to be held in Pipe Creek, TX, and approve payment of \$4,500.00 for registration, \$1,200.00 for lodging, \$250.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.

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- K. Approve request for CPD Director of Training, Liz Patrick, to attend the “Managing Multiple Priorities and Projects Workshop” to be held in Tuscaloosa, AL, and approve payment of \$50.00 for registration, \$64.63 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- L. Approve request for CPD Chief Fred Shelton to attend the “MACP Winter Educational Conference and Trade Show” to be held in Natchez, MS, and approve payment of \$325.00 for registration, \$505.40 for lodging, \$50.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- M. Approve request for CID Investigator, Kelvin Burdine, to attend a “Field Force Operations Training Class” to be held in Olive Branch, MS, at no cost to City.
- N. Ratify request for CPD Director of Training and Chief of Police to attend the “North Mississippi Law Enforcement Training Academy Graduation” held on October 26, 2018 in Tupelo, MS, at no cost to City.
- O. Ratify permit request submitted by Councilman Stephen Jones to host the “Ward 5 Trunk or Treat” held on October 31, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at the Sim Scott Park Pavilion parking lot.
- P. Approve permit request submitted by Jim Richardson on behalf of the Veteran’s Day Parade Committee to host a “Veterans’ Day Parade” to be held November 10, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. until 10:45 a.m.
- Q. Approve permit request submitted by Cindy Wamble on behalf Heritage Academy to host a “Veterans’ Day Parade” to be held November 12, 2018 from 8:45 a. m. until 10:15 a.m.
- R. Approve request for Mayor Robert E. Smith Sr. to attend the North Mississippi Mayors Association reception honoring TVA Board of Directors, to be held in Tupelo, MS, and approve travel.

Council Member Box 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.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members

Mayor Smith invited the public to the 12th Annual Mayor’s Thanksgiving Dinner, which will be held November 15, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the upper level of the Trotter Convention Center.

Glenda Buckhalter, Community Resource Coordinator, came before the Mayor and Council requesting citizens to donate to certain non-profits during the holiday season.

B. Board Vacancies:

David Armstrong announced vacancies on various boards and remarked that no appointments will be made tonight.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

- 3 Vacancies, 3-Year Term, Expires 12/1/2018.
- Appointment will be made 12/4/2018.
- No applicants at this time

Board of Adjustment & Appeals of Development Codes

- 1 Vacancy 4-Year Term, Expires 12/16/2018 (Registered Design Professional w/Architectural or Structural Experience).
- 1 Vacancy, 1-Year Term, Expires 12/19/2018 (Fire Protection Engineer or Contractor).
- Appointments will be made December 18, 2018.
- No applicants at this time

TREE BOARD

- 2 Vacancies, 3-Year Term, Expires 12/15/2018.
- Appointment will be made December 18, 2018.
- No applicants at this time

GT REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT

- 1 Vacancy, 4-Year Term, Expires 12/31/2018.
- Appointment will be made December 18, 2018.
- No applicants at this time

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS

- 2 Vacancies, 3-Year Term, Expires 12/1/2018.
- Appointments will be made 12/4/2018.
- No applicants at this time

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA:

- **Mike Patel – Board of Adjustments & Appeals**

Mike Patel came before the Mayor and City Council to request approval to add a cooler at his establishment at the corner of Military road and Martin Luther King Drive. Since his first request, he has made a modification from his previous request.

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- A. Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) Entry Level Firefighter pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical exam and drug screen.**

Council Member Jackson made a motion to hire Justin Garza as an Entry Level Firefighter, 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.

- C. Ratify FBO Lease Termination of Columbus-Lowndes County Airport.**

David Armstrong, COO, came before the Mayor and Council to request Ratification of the FBO Lease Termination of Columbus-Lowndes County Airport made by the Airport Board on November 1, 2018. Council Member Box made a motion to ratify the FBO Lease Termination of Columbus-Lowndes County Airport made by the Airport Board on November 1, 2018. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

- D. Discuss/Approve request cost of property clean-up on cases previously heard by Mayor and 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:

MINUTES
NOVEMBER 6, 2018



City of Columbus
POST OFFICE BOX 1408
COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI 39703

Invoice

THOMPSON JOHN T
PO BX 5056
212 SUMMERHAVEN
COLUMBUS, MS 39704

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Address: | 1021 SHADY ST |
| APN: | 56W20-03-06300 |
| Case No: | CE-18-0041 |
| Violation: | Property Maintenance |

Invoice #: 18-0041-1015
Date: October 15, 2018

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 11/30/2019 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 |
|----------|-----------------------------------|------------|--------|
| | Attorney Fees | | 48.00 |
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 131.00 |
| | DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL | 05/15/2018 | |

TERMS: Due on receipt

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|---------------------|---------------|
| SUBTOTAL | 191.50 |
| TAX RATE | |
| SALES TAX | |
| SHIPPING & HANDLING | |
| TOTAL | 191.50 |

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HOPKINS ANNIE LOU-EST
1007 18TH ST N
COLUMBUS, MS 39701

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Address: | 16TH ST N |
| APN: | 61W07-02-18200 |
| Case No: | CE-18-0099 |
| Violation: | Property Maintenance |

Invoice #: 18-0099-1015
Date: October 15, 2018

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| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION | UNIT PRICE | AMOUNT |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------|
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 65.50 |
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 49.00 |
| DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL | | 06/05/2018 | |

TERMS: Due on receipt

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| SUBTOTAL | 139.50 |
| TAX RATE | |
| SALES TAX | |
| SHIPPING & HANDLING | |
| TOTAL | 139.50 |

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413 PROPERTIES LLC
106 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET
STARKVILLE, MS 39759

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Address: | 1708 6TH AVE |
| APN: | 61W06-02-09500 |
| Case No: | CE-16-0280 |
| Violation: | Property Maintenance |

Invoice #: 16-0280-1015
Date: October 15, 2018

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| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION | UNIT PRICE | AMOUNT |
|----------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 106.50 |
| | DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL | | 09/06/2016 |
| | SUBTOTAL | | 119.00 |
| | TAX RATE | | |
| | SALES TAX | | |
| | SHIPPING & HANDLING | | |
| | TOTAL | | 119.00 |

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Invoice

WARREN JEFFREY
626 11ST ST N
COLUMBUS, MS 39701

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Address: | 626 11TH ST N |
| APN: | 61W07-03-06700 |
| Case No: | CE-17-0205 |
| Violation: | Property Maintenance |

Invoice #: 17-0205-1015
Date: October 15, 2018

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| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION | UNIT PRICE | AMOUNT |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------|--------|
| | Attorney Fees | | 90.00 |
| | Attorney Fees | | 11.00 |
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 98.00 |
| DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL | | 09/04/2017 | |

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| SUBTOTAL | 211.50 |
| TAX RATE | |
| SALES TAX | |
| SHIPPING & HANDLING | |
| TOTAL | 211.50 |

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Invoice

WOODS LEOLA
5851 PENNSYLVANIA
DETROIT, MI 48213

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Address: | 1607 6TH AVE N |
| APN: | 61W06-03-17300 |
| Case No: | CE-18-0120 |
| Violation: | Property Maintenance |

Invoice #: 18-0120-1015
Date: October 15, 2018

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| | Attorney Fees | | 48.00 |
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 49.00 |
| DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL | | 07/03/2018 | |

TERMS: Due on receipt

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| SUBTOTAL | 109.50 |
| TAX RATE | |
| SALES TAX | |
| SHIPPING & HANDLING | |
| TOTAL | 109.50 |

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BROWN MARGIE P/WILL C/O J NANCE
133 W 109TH STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60628

Invoice #: 18-0110-1015
Date: October 15, 2018

Address: 200 BLOCK 11TH AVENUE
SOUTH
APN: 61W16-02-10000
Case No: CE-18-0110
Violation: Property Maintenance

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| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION | UNIT PRICE | AMOUNT |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------|--------|
| | Attorney Fees | | 48.00 |
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 32.50 |
| DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL | | 07/03/2018 | |

TERMS: Due on receipt

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| SUBTOTAL | 93.00 |
| TAX RATE | |
| SALES TAX | |
| SHIPPING & HANDLING | |
| TOTAL | 93.00 |

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QUINN TONYA E T
642 W MAIN ST
WEST POINT, MS 39773

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Address: | 809 14TH ST N |
| APN: | 61W07-02-04800 |
| Case No: | CE-18-0016 |
| Violation: | Property Maintenance |

Invoice #: 18-0016-1015
Date: October 15, 2018

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| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION | UNIT PRICE | AMOUNT |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------|---------|
| | Attorney Fees | | 150.00 |
| | Asbestos Removal | | 250.00 |
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 139.00 |
| | Public Works | | 1930.80 |
| | Admin Fee | | 12.50 |
| | Public Works | | 49.00 |
| DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL | | 06/05/2018 | |

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| TERMS: Due on receipt | SUBTOTAL | 2543.80 |
| | TAX RATE | |
| | SALES TAX | |
| | SHIPPING & HANDLING | |
| | TOTAL | 2543.80 |

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E. Discuss/Approve 7th Avenue North Speed Humps.

Kevin Stafford with Neel-Schaffer, Inc. came forward and remarked that he received a request for Speed Humps on 7th Avenue North. He has reviewed the request to add them between Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and 26th Street North and between 27th Street North and 28th Street North, to reduce driving speeds. Council Member Jackson made a motion to add two (2) Speed Humps on 7th Avenue North in different locations mentioned above as requested and recommended by the City's Engineer. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

F. Discuss/Approve hiring a Community Service Work Program Supervisor, contingent upon a successful pre-employment physical and drug screen.

Council Member Jackson made a motion to approve the request to hire **Willie Patrick** as Community Service Work Program Supervisor, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

G. Discuss/Approve hiring an Animal Control Officer, contingent upon a successful pre-employment physical and drug screen.

Council Member Box made a motion to approve the request to hire **Timothy Abels** as Animal Control Officer, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

H. Discuss/Approve hiring a CPD CID Administrative Assistant, contingent upon a successful pre-employment physical and drug screen.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the request to hire **LaTonya Malone** as CID Administrative Assistant in the Police Department, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment

medical exam and drug screen. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

I. Discuss/Approve application for the 2018 JAG and permission for the Mayor to sign all pertinent documentation.

Council Member Gavin made a motion to approve the request to apply for the 2018 JAG (Justice Assistance Grant) Grant to purchase Police software and a computer training lab, and authorize the Mayor to sign all pertinent documentation. Council Member Box seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

J. Consider/Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Columbus Municipal School District for the allocation of costs of collection of Ad Valorem Taxes.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Columbus and The Columbus Municipal School District regarding Division of Responsibility for Anticipated Delinquencies and Costs of Collection of Ad Valorem Taxes. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion, and after reading the MOU in whole and in part, and after thorough discussion and deliberation, the Mayor called for the vote of all Council Members, then and there voting and recorded their votes as follows:

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| COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR: | Voted | <u>Absent</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 Mayor announced the motion passed and pronounced it a duly Approved MOU between the City of Columbus and the Columbus Municipal School District of of the City of Columbus, Mississippi, with a copy spread on the minutes of the Mayor and City Council.

THE MOU FOLLOWS:

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS
AND THE COLUMBUS MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGARDING DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY
FOR ANTICIPATED DELINQUENCIES
AND
COSTS OF COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus (the "City") and the Columbus Municipal School District (CMSD) as of the dates shown below.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, on or about October 1, 2002, the City and Lowndes County, Mississippi entered into an interlocal cooperation agreement governing the collection by the County Tax Collector of ad valorem taxes of the City and the CMSD, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, for many years after the inception of the said interlocal cooperation agreement, the City has levied an amount of money for the anticipated delinquencies and the costs of collection some of which was added to the CMSD levy and some of which was added to the City levy; and

WHEREAS, CMSD and the City would like to use a formula for calculating the separate levies based upon millage rates:

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. This Memorandum of Understanding shall have an effective date of July 1, 2019 and for the present fiscal year shall be handled as it was handled in fiscal year 2017/2018.
2. Payment of the fee for collection, to wit, \$120,000, shall be paid to the County of Lowndes on February 1, 2020 and yearly thereafter.
3. CMSD's portion of the \$120,000 cost of collection shall be determined based upon CMSD's percent of the combined City/CMSD millage. The City's portion of the \$120,000 cost of collection shall be determined based upon the City's percent of the combined City/CMSD millage. An Example follows:

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VIII. J.

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| CMSD millage | 61.39 |
| City millage | <u>46.69</u> |
| Combined City/CMSD millage | <u>108.08</u> |

Step 1. Divide millage for CMSD by the combined total City/CMSD millage. The quotient is the percentage charged to CMSD for collection.

$$61.39 \div 108.08 = .5680$$

Step 2. Divide millage for City by the combined total City/CMSD millage. The quotient is the percent charged to the City for collection.

$$46.69 \div 108.08 = .4320$$

Step 3. Multiply Total Collection cost by percent charged to each entity for collection. The product is total collection fee for that entity.

$$\$120,000 \times .5680 = \$68,160. \text{ CMSD cost}$$

$$\$120,000 \times .4320 = \$51,840 \text{ City cost}$$

Step 4. Check figures by adding the two products together. The sum should equal the total cost of collection.

$$\$68,160 + \$51,840 = \$120,000.$$

This MOU is entered into on this the _____ day of August, 2018 by approval of the respective Mayor and City Council and Trustees of the CMSD with the document spread upon their respective minutes.

Witness, our signatures below.

Attest:

Robert E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

Milton Rawle, Jr.

Attest:

Jason Spears, Chairman CMSD Board

K. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket.

ANDREW BROWN LIFE ESTATE
c/o Vanessa Brown, Andrew Brown, Jr. and Jane Johnson Brown
1725 – 10th Avenue North
CASE NUMBER: 18-0318 Structure

The General Counsel called cause number **18-0318**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Tomarris Jones stated the property was in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code and asked the Mayor and Council to adjudicate the property as such and that an Order be entered to such effect, requested **immediate abatement** and that an Order be issued for the property. Council Member Jones made a motion in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, and for an Order stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried

CROSS REGIONAL FUNDING LP
1423 – 6th Avenue North
CASE NUMBER: 18-0372 Vegetation

The General Counsel called cause number **18-0372**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Tomarris Jones stated the property was in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code and asked the Mayor and Council to adjudicate the property as such and that an Order be entered to such effect, requested **immediate abatement** and that an Order be issued for the property. Council Member Jones made a motion in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, and for an Order stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period immediately following the Order, with further notice to the owner as required by law. Costs are to be assessed as allowed under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

MARY COOLEY
c/o R. HALL
22nd Street South
CASE NUMBER: 18-0329 Vegetation

The General Counsel called cause number **18-0329**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Tomarris Jones stated the property has been **remediated** by the owner, and it is his recommendation to enter the proposed Order under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, finding that this property was in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community. This Order should provide for such re-entry as the Statute allows. Council Member Jones made a motion in accordance with Section 21-19-11, and for an Order stating the City may remediate the property with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period immediately following the Order, with further notice to the owner as required by law. Costs are to be assessed as allowed under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

CHARLES D. WILLIAMS
Warpath Road
CASE NUMBER: 18-0353 Vegetation

The General Counsel called cause number **18-0353**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Tomarris Jones stated the property has been **remediated** by the owner, and it is his recommendation to enter the proposed Order under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, finding that this property was in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community. This Order should provide for such re-entry as the Statute allows. Council Member Jones made a motion in accordance with Section 21-19-11, and for an Order stating the City may remediate the property with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period immediately following the Order, with further notice to the owner as required by law. Costs are to be assessed as allowed under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

JOHN STOKES et al
522 Airline Road
Case Number 18-0332 Vegetation

The General Counsel called cause number **18-0332**. The property owner requested a **10-day extension**. Code Enforcement Officer Tomarris was in agreement with the request and stated the property was in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code and asked the Mayor and Council to give the property owner a **10-day extension** to remediate the property. Council Member Mickens made a motion to give the property owner a **10-day extension** to remediate the property. Council Member Box seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor then asked if there was any other business to come before the Mayor and City Council. There being none, Council Member Jones moved that the meeting be adjourned. 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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