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MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS September 3, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

- A. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF AUGUST 20, 22, AND AUGUST 29, 2019.

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

- A. [APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2019.](#)

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- M. Andrews** A. [Approve request for one \(1\) Fire and Rescue Firefighter to attend "NREMT Exam" to be held in Tuscaloosa, AL, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** B. [Approve request for one \(1\) Fire and Rescue Firefighter to attend "Firefighter 1001-I-II" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** C. [Approve request for one \(1\) Fire and Rescue Engineer to attend "Patriot South 2020 Planning Meeting" to be held in Gulfport, MS, and approve payment of fuel and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** D. [Approve request for check for payment to the MS Department of Health for the registration of two \(2\) EMT-Basic firefighters.](#)
- G. Richardson** E. [Approve request to renew notary commission for the Community Outreach Director and purchase necessary supplies.](#)
- F. Shelton** F. [Accept letter of resignation from one \(1\) CPD Reserve Officer, effective August 22, 2019.](#)

- F. Shelton G. [Ratify request to send two \(2\) CPD Officers to the "Mississippi Delta Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy" in Moorhead, MS, and approve cost of tuition and clothing required by the academy. The clothing allowance is not to exceed \\$350.00 per Officer and will be reimbursed upon completion of the academy.](#)
- F. Shelton H. [Ratify permit request submitted by Kevin Stafford and Elizabeth Swartz, on behalf of the First United Methodist Church to host a "Back to School Bash" held August 21, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., blocking College Street from 6th Street South east past overpass, 6th Street South from College Street to 3rd Avenue South.](#)
- F. Shelton I. [Approve permit request submitted by Hattie Petty and Doran Johnson, on behalf of Columbus High School to host the "Homecoming Parade" to be held on September 20, 2019 from 4:15 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. See attached map.](#)
- F. Shelton J. [Approve permit request submitted by Ryan Rickert, on behalf of The Assembly to host the "Christopher's Hope 5K" to be held on September 7, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. at the Columbus Soccer Complex and Riverwalk. See attached map.](#)
- F. Shelton K. [Approve permit request submitted by Johnny Johnson on behalf of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity to host a "Roadblock" to raise funds for Rust College to be held on October 5, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a. m. at Highway 45/18th Avenue.](#)
- B. Williams L. [Ratify travel request of the Registrar to travel to Jackson, MS, to pick up ballots for the "Ward 4 Runoff Special Election" and approve payment of travel expenses.](#)

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

R. Smith A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members

M. Andrews B. [Swearing in of one \(1\) Fire and Rescue Firefighter](#)

- Caleb West

D. Armstrong C. [Board Vacancies](#)

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

- 1 Vacancy, Mark Castleberry's 5-Year Term Expires 9/1/2019.
- Appointment will be made 9/3/2019.
- No applicants at this time

COLUMBUS-LOWNDES LIBRARY BOARD

- 1 Vacancy, Ralph Carter's 5-Year Term Expires 9/30/2019.
- Appointment will be made 10/1/2019.
- No applicants at this time

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

- 3 Vacancies, 3-Year Terms for Larry Fuller, Chuck Bigelow and MacArthur Inge Expire 10/4/2019.
- Appointments will be made 10/1/2019.

APPLICANT

- Chuck Bigelow

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- D. Armstrong** A. Discuss/Approve Renewal of UniFirst Uniform Contract.
- J. Dillon** B. Discuss FEMA/MEMA update.
- J. Dillon** C. Discuss Community Recovery of Lowndes County update.
- F. Shelton** D. Discuss/Approve hiring two (2) Police Officers pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical exam and drug screen.
- F. Shelton** E. Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) Animal Controller pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical exam and drug screen.
- F. Shelton** F. Discuss/Approve to pay three (3) CPD Officers the pay rate that goes with the rank they obtained when promoted.
- T. Jones** G. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Personnel Matter (1)