

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS JULY 2, 2019

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 2, 2019 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 Mickens, who was absent. Also present were the COO, CFO, General Counsel, Police Chief, and all other Department Heads.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order and called upon Pastor Willie McCord, Pastor of 10th Avenue Church of Christ, to offer the Invocation.

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 18, 2019.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of June 18, 2019. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR JULY 2, 2019.

Council Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Docket of Claims for July 2, 2019 in the amount of \$597,922.50. Council Member Box seconded the motion.

All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

Change Item "A" to read – *Accept letter of resignation from two (2) CPD Officers, effective June 16, 2019 and July 11, 2019.*

Delete Item "G".

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REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

Add Robert "Bobby" Caldwell as an applicant to the Columbus Housing Authority Board.

POLICY AGENDA:

Change Item "E" to read – *Discuss/Approve Allowing Request of State Game and Fish Commission to Eradicate Coyotes within City Limits.*

Delete Item "I".

Add Item "M" – *Discuss/Approve permission request from the 2019 Southside Festival Committee to sell alcohol during the Townsend Park Blues festival on Saturday, July 6, 2019.*

Council Member Jones 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 present voted in favor of same, with a unanimous vote.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Accept letter of resignation from two (2) CPD Officers, Jamarcus D. Jones, effective June 16, 2019 and Edgar Lemus, effective July 11, 2019.
- B. Ratify request submitted by Angela Verdell, on behalf of Stephen Chapel M. B. Church, to host the "Church Vacation Bible School Fun Days" held on June 14, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Stephen Chapel M. B. Church, 2008 Seventh Avenue North.
- C. Approve request submitted by Monica Sykes to host a "Family Reunion" to be held on July 4, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m., blocking in front of the stop sign at the intersection of Shirt 3rd Avenue North and 18th Street North and ending at the driveway of the house at 1717 Shirt Third Avenue North.
- D. Approve permit request submitted by Clarence and Lucille Levy to host the "Levy Family reunion" to be held on July 26, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. at 1909 Bell Avenue, block 19th Street South and 20th Street South of Bell Avenue. See attached map.
- E. Approve permit request submitted by Patricia Hubbard, on behalf of Southside Heritage Committee, to host the "Southside Friends and Family Day in the Park" to be held on July 5, 2019 and July 6, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. each day at Hank Aaron park, 601 – 12th Avenue South.
- F. Approve permit submitted by Annie Barry, on behalf of Townsend Senior Citizens, to host the "National Night Out Against Crime" to be held on August 6, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Townsend Park Pavilion, 1109 – 9th

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Avenue South, blocking the corner of 9th Avenue South and 12th Street South and the corner of 9th Avenue South and 11th Street South.

- G. DELETED
- H. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Captain, Marco Rodriguez, to attend "Communication Unit Leader" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$294.00 for lodging, \$75.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- I. Accept letter of resignation from Fire and Rescue Firefighter, Ryan Stevenson, effective July 2, 2019.
- J. Approve request to refund citizens: Sabrina Robinson, Shirley Thompson, Caroline Harris and Mary Coleman \$150.00 each for clean-up deposits and David Jones \$300.00 for full deposit.

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

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members

There were no comments from the Mayor and Council Members.

B. Swearing in of two (2) CPD Officers

- **Kimberly Hayes**
- **Landon George**

Mayor Smith swore in two (2) new Police Officers, Kimberly Hayes and Landon George as they recited the Oath of Office. Chief Shelton and Captain Ric Higgins presented them with certificates.

C. Presentation of Commendation to three (3) CPD Officers

- John Compton
- Lorenzo Burns
- Darnell Madison

Mayor Smith and Chief Fred Shelton presented Certificates of Accommodation to the above-mentioned Police Officers for going beyond the call of duty.

D. Board Vacancies:

David Armstrong announced that the Board of Adjustment & Appeals of Development Codes has one (1) vacancy that can be filled tonight.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS OF DEVELOPMENT CODES

- 1 Vacancy, Mickey Brislin's 3-Year Term Expired 5/17/19 (Registered Design Professional w/Architectural or Structural Experience).
- Appointment can be made immediately.

APPLICANT

- **Quinn Brislin**

Council Member Taylor made a motion to appoint Quinn Brislin to the Board of Adjustment & Appeals of Development Codes for a 4-Year Term, until December 16, 2022. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion.

All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

- 1 Vacancy, 4-Year Term
- Kelsey Rickenbaker-Bigelow's Term Expired 6/02/19
- Appointment can be made immediately.

APPLICANT

- **Dr. Julie Parker**

Council Member Box made a motion to appoint Dr. Julie Parker to the Historic Preservation Commission Board for a 4-Year Term, until June 2, 2023. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

- 1 Vacancy, Dr. Maxine Hall's 4-Year Term Expired 8/04/19
- Appointment can be made 7/16/19.

APPLICANT

- **Dr. Maxine Hall**

COLUMBUS HOUSING AUTHORITY

- 1 Vacancy, Bobby Caldwell's 4-Year Term Expires 7/13/19
- Appointment can be made July 16, 2019.

APPLICANT

- Robert "Bobby" Caldwell

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

- 1 Vacancy, Mark Castleberry's 5-Year Term Expires 9/01/19
- Appointment can be made 9/03/2019.
- No applicants at this time.

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA:

No one signed up for the Citizens Input Agenda.

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- A. Discuss/Approve cost of property clean-up on cases previously heard by Mayor and Council and for which remediation has been completed.**

Deliah Vaughn, CFO, came before the Mayor and Council and requested approval of adjudicated property. Council Member Taylor 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 present voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

The Adjudicate Properties follows:



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Invoice

HARPER BAKER
2125 7TH AVENUE NORTH
COLUMBUS, MS 39701

Address:	2125 7TH AVE NORTH
APN:	61W060121200
Case No:	CE-19-0081
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 19-0081-0617
Date: June 17, 2019

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 07/30/2020 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
	Admin Fee		12.50
	Public Works		123.00
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		06/04/2019	
SUBTOTAL			135.50
TAX RATE			
SALES TAX			
SHIPPING & HANDLING			
TOTAL			135.50

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WILLIAMS CHARLES D
PO BOX 2146
COLUMBUS, MS 39704

Address:	WARPATH RD
APN:	62W05-01-00100
Case No:	CE-18-0353
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 18-0353-0618
Date: June 18, 2019

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Admin Fee		12.50
	Public Works		278.00
	DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		11/06/2018

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SUBTOTAL	290.50
TAX RATE	
SALES TAX	
SHIPPING & HANDLING	
TOTAL	290.50

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HOLT FLISHA
P O BOX 605
NORTHPORT, AL 35476

Address:	3RD AVE S
APN:	61W12-00-10000
Case No:	CE-17-0061
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 17-0061-0618

Date: June 18, 2019

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Public Works		49.00
	Admin Fee		12.50
	Admin Fee		12.50
	Public Works		74.00
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		06/20/2017	

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SUBTOTAL	148.00
TAX RATE	
SALES TAX	
SHIPPING & HANDLING	
TOTAL	148.00

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7102 Roselake Circe
Douglasville, Ga 30134

Invoice #: 17-0174-0618

Date: June 18, 2019

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
	Public Works		73.50
	Admin Fee		12.50
	Public Works		98.00
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		08/01/2017	

	SUBTOTAL	340.50
	TAX RATE	
	SALES TAX	
	SHIPPING & HANDLING	
	TOTAL	340.50

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ANDERSON AARON
388 E OCEAN BLVD #214
LONG BEACH, CA 90802

Address:	1401 4TH AVE N
APN:	61W07-04-01800
Case No:	CE-19-0057
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 19-0057-0617

Date: June 17, 2019

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Admin Fee		12.50
	Public Works		159.00
DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL		06/04/2019	
SUBTOTAL			171.50
TAX RATE			
SALES TAX			
SHIPPING & HANDLING			
TOTAL			171.50

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MS STATE OF/TAX SALE C/O SEC OF STATE/
PUBLIC LANDS
PO BOX 136
Jackson, MS 39205

Address:	2208 3RD AVE S
APN:	61W12-00-09700
Case No:	CE-19-0131
Violation:	Property Maintenance

Invoice #: 19-0131-0618
Date: June 18, 2019

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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	Admin Fee		12.50
	Public Works		106.50
	DATE HEARD BY CITY COUNCIL	05/06/2019	
		SUBTOTAL	119.00
		TAX RATE	
		SALES TAX	
		SHIPPING & HANDLING	
		TOTAL	119.00

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