

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS January 21, 2020

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 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. Also present were the COO, CFO, General Counsel, Police Chief, and all other Department Heads.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Robert E. Smith, Sr. called the meeting to order and called upon Rev. Leonardo Dismukes, Pastor of Agape Love International Church, to offer the Invocation.

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 7, 2020

Council Member Box made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of January 7, 2020. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR JANUARY 21, 2020.

Council Member Mickens made a motion to approve the Docket of Claims for January 21, 2020, in the amount of \$2,004,926.05. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA.

CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA:

Add Item "K" – *Approve request for the Mayor, Council, COO, CFO, HR Director and Interim City Planner to attend the "89th MML Summer Conference" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.*

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POLICY AGENDA:

Add Item "J" – *Discuss/Approve Budget Amendments for the Fire & Rescue Department*

Add Item "K" – *Discuss/Approve Current Properties on Blight Program.*

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

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Accept letter of resignation from Fire and Rescue Firefighter, Shawn Shaw, effective January 29, 2020, and approve request to be compensated for unused vacation leave.
- B. Approve request for five (5) Fire and Rescue personnel: Robert Kain, Joe Besant, Billy Clark, Dale Ballard, and Jason Pool to attend "Lifesaving Medal & Unit Commendations" to be held in Ridgeland, MS, and approve payment of travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- C. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Personnel: Dale Ballard and Damon Estes, to attend the "Fireground Leadership" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$720.00 for registration, \$50.00 for travel and reimbursement for meal expenses.
- D. Approve request for Fire and Rescue Captain: Wes Mims and Marco Rodriguez, to attend "Patriot South 2020" to be held in Perry, GA, and approve payment for travel and reimbursement of meal expenses.
- E. Approve request to renew the Notary Commission for Municipal Deputy Clerk, Lisa Lang, and approve payment of necessary notary supplies.
- F. Approve request to refund two (2) citizens deposits for rental of the Trotter Convention Center: Brick Missionary Baptist Church \$300.00 and Montavia Fulton \$420.00.
- G. Approve request for Public Works Director, Casey Bush, and Landfill Supervisor, Roger Lewis, to attend the "Mississippi Class I Rubbish Site Operator Certification Training" to be held in Ridgeland, MS, and approve payment of \$192.00 each for lodging, payment of \$58.14 for travel for Casey Bush and \$167.61 for Roger Lewis, and reimbursement of meal expenses for both employees.

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- H. Approve request for the CPD Chief of Police, Director of Training and a Patrolman to attend the “Mississippi Delta Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy Graduation” to be held in Moorhead, Mississippi, and approve payment for travel and reimbursement of meal expenses.
- I. Approve request authorize the Human Resources Director to advertise for the vacant position of Mechanic in the City Garage.
- J. Approve request for the Mayors Youth Council, forty-one (41) students, one (1) Chaperone and one (1) Bus Driver to attend the “MML 13th Annual Statewide Youth Leadership Summit” to be held at the University of Southern Mississippi, in Hattiesburg, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- K. Approve request for the Mayor, Council, COO, CFO, HR Director and Interim City Planner to attend the “89th MML Summer Conference” to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment of registration, lodging, travel and reimbursement of meal expenses.

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

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members

Glenda Buckhalter, Community Outreach Coordinator, came forward, updated the Mayor and Council on the Warming Station and reported on the number of individuals that stayed there during extremely cold weather.

B. Swearing in of one (1) Columbus Fire and Rescue Firefighter

- **JOSHUA CONNORS**

Mayor Smith swore in Fire and Rescue Firefighter, Joshua Connors, as he recited the Oath of Office.

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- B1. THIS ITEM WAS MOVED FROM “E” ON THE POLICY AGENDA.
Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) CPD Assistant Chief, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen.**

Council Member Jones made a motion to hire **DORAN V. JOHNSON**, as Assistant Police Chief at \$63,000.00 annually, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

Mayor Smith swore in Assistant Police Chief Doran V. Johnson as he recited the Oath of Office. Chief Fred Shelton and Mia Johnson pinned on the badge and insignia.

- B2. THIS ITEM WAS MOVED FROM “F” ON THE POLICY AGENDA.
Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) CPD Captain of the Criminal Investigation Division, contingent on successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen.**

Council Member Jones made a motion to hire **RICHARD T. JONES**, as Captain of the Criminal Investigation Division at \$59,037.45 annually. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

Mayor Smith swore in CID Captain Richard T. Jones as he recited the Oath of Office. Chief Fred Shelton and Pat Jones pinned on the badge and insignia.

- C. Presentation of Commendations to two (2) CPD Officers**
- **Raymond Cyr**
 - **James Powell**

Chief Shelton presented a Certificate of Commendation and a Chief's Coin to Officers Raymond Cyr and James Powell for professionally performing Law Enforcement service on December 3, 2019 that resulted in an arrest.

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D. Monthly Report from the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

E. Annual Report from the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department for 2019

The Annual Report from the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department for 2019 was presented. The Department responded to 4,745 alarms, of which 100 were fire-related, 3,488 were rescue/medical, 97 were hazardous conditions, 592 were miscellaneous, and 468 were false alarms. The Report also contained statistics regarding fire, injuries, training, Life Safety & Public Education training and Code Enforcement. No action was taken.

F. Monthly Report from the Municipal Court Division for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Municipal Court Division for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

G. Monthly Report from the Public Works Department for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Public Works Department for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

H. Monthly Report from the Planning and Community Development Department for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Planning and Community Development Department for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

I. Monthly Report from the Code Enforcement Department for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Code Enforcement Department for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

J. Monthly Report from the Building Inspection Department for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Building Inspection Department for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

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K. Monthly Report from the Columbus Recreation Department for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Columbus Recreation Department for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

David Armstrong, COO, announced vacancies on various boards and remarked that some appointments can be made tonight.

L. Monthly Report from the Columbus Police Department for December 2019

The Monthly Report from the Columbus Police Department for December 2019 was presented. No action was taken.

M. Monthly Financial Report

Deliah Vaughn, CFO, distributed the Monthly Financial Report and remarked that the City currently has a combined total of \$6,207,860.27 with the General Fund having \$3,600,610.59 and Special Revenue Funds totaling \$2,607,249.68. The General Fund Operating Cash for the month of November was \$988,211.60; prior year was (\$914,575.12), which is \$1,902,786.72 difference from December 2018. The sales Tax collections for the month were \$807,950.35, which is an increase of \$15,518.35 compared to the same time last year. Council Member Mickens asked if the oversight auditor has come yet Mrs. Vaughn responded by answering "NO", stating that she was trying to complete the current audit prior to their coming.

N. Board Vacancies

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

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS OF DEVELOPMENT CODES

- 1 Vacancy, Kevin Stafford's 1-Year Term Expires 3/06/2020.
- Appointments can be made March 3, 2020
- No Applicants at this time.

TREE BOARD

- 1 Vacancy, 3-Year term for Carol Boggess Expires 2/07/2020.
- Appointment can be made February 4, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS

- 2 Vacancies, 3-Year Terms for Chris Chain and Rob Graham Expire 2/21/2020.

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- Appointments can be made March 3, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

- 2 Vacancies, 3-Year Terms for Whirllie Byrd and Nadia Colom Expire 3/01/2020.
- Appointment can be made March 03, 2020

APPLICANT

- Whirllie Byrd

COLUMBUS MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 1 Vacancy, 5 Year Term for Telisa Clay Young Expires 3/03/2020.
- Appointment can be made March 3, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA:

ROBERT LANCASTER – Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant

Mr. Lancaster came before the Mayor and Council regarding the Certified Local Government Grant and read a letter expressing his opposition of applying for the Grant. Mayor Smith remarked that Mr. Lancaster's comments were taken under advisement. Mr. Lancaster lives on the Southside of town.

JAN MILLER – Expansion of Southside Historic District

Mrs. Jan Miller came before the Mayor and Council Regarding the Certified Local Government Grant and expressed her support of the Expansion of Southside Historic District. No action was taken. Mrs. Miller lives on the Southside of town.

SHAWN STALLINGS – Columbus Mentoring Program

Mr. Shawn Stallings, Ms. Nicole Clinkscales and others came forward to apprise the Mayor and Council of Columbus Mentoring Program that was developed to help troubled youth. Mr. Stallings announced that they will launch an event to coincide with Spring Break 2020 on March 6 & 7, 2020 at the Trotter Convention Center, with the Council's permission. Greg Lewis, Recreation Department Director, came forward and remarked that this event would fall under the umbrella of the Recreation Department, stating that in the past, his department has also sponsored similar events at the Convention Center.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the request to permit Columbus Mentoring Program coordinators to host a Spring Break 2020 Kick-Off event at the

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Trotter Convention Center March 6 & 7, 2020. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion, with the exception of Council Member Gavin, who opposed.

The motion carried 5/1.

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

A. Consider/Approve Continuing Disclosure Agreement

David Armstrong presented a Continuing Disclosure Agreement for 2019 listing Butler Snow as the Bond Counsel at a cost of \$3,000.00 requested approval and to give Mayor Smith the authority to sign the agreement. Council Member Jones made a motion to confirm/approve the Continuing Disclosure Agreement between the City of Columbus and Bond Counsel Butler Snow, and give Mayor Smith the authority to sign the agreement. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

THE AGREEMENT FOLLOWS:

BUTLER | *STRONG*

January 9, 2020

Via Email: darmstrong@columbusms.org

Mr. David Armstrong, Chief Operations Officer
City of Columbus, Mississippi
523 Main Street
Columbus, MS 39701

Re: City of Columbus, Mississippi Fiscal Year 2019 Continuing Disclosure

Dear David:

We are pleased to confirm our engagement as dissemination agent (the "Dissemination Agent") to The City of Columbus, Mississippi (the "City") in connection with its annual continuing disclosure undertaking. We appreciate your confidence in us and will do our best to continue to merit it. This letter sets forth the role we propose to serve and the responsibilities we propose to assume as Dissemination Agent in connection with the Annual Filing for fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

We understand that pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time (the "Rule"), the City is required to provide on an annual basis certain financial information and operating data to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") through the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access system at www.emma.msrb.org ("EMMA"), in the electronic format then prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") (the "Required Electronic Format") pursuant to the Rule.

We also understand that pursuant to the City's Policies and Procedures for Continuing Disclosure/SEC Rule 15c2-12 Compliance (the "Policy"), a staff designee of the City is required to appoint or engage a dissemination agent to assist in carrying out its obligations under the Policy and the Rule, and the City is hereby appointing us to serve as Dissemination Agent in connection with the Annual Filing for fiscal year 2019 to be filed on or before March 27, 2020.

SCOPE OF ENGAGEMENT

As Dissemination Agent we will examine the City's continuing disclosure responsibility, consult with parties to the City; compile the Annual Filing (with the assistance of the City) and file an Annual Filing for and on behalf of the City. We will rely upon information provided to us without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation. During the course of this engagement, we will rely on you to provide us with complete and timely information on all developments pertaining to any aspect of the Annual Filing. We understand that you will direct members of your staff and other employees of the City to cooperate with us in this regard.

Our duties in this engagement are limited to those expressly set forth above.

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ATTORNEY-CLIENT RELATIONSHIP

Upon execution of this engagement letter, the City will be our client and an attorney-client relationship will exist between us. We further assume that all other parties understand that in this transaction we represent only the City, we are not counsel to any other party, and we are not acting as an intermediary among the parties. Our services as Dissemination Agent are limited to those contracted for in this letter, and the City's execution of this engagement letter will constitute an acknowledgment of those limitations.

Our representation of the City and the attorney-client relationship created by this engagement letter will be concluded upon the filing of the Annual Filing.

PROSPECTIVE CONSENT

As you are aware, Butler Snow represents many political subdivisions, companies and individuals. It is possible that during the time that we are representing the City, one or more of our present or future clients will have transactions, litigation, or other matters with the City. We do not believe that such representation, if it occurs, will adversely affect our ability to represent you as provided in this engagement letter, either because such matters will be sufficiently different from the filing of the Annual Filing so as to make such representations not adverse to our representation of you, or because the potential for such adversity is remote or minor and outweighed by the consideration that it is unlikely that advice given to the other client will be relevant to any aspect of the issuance filing of the Annual Filing. The City's local counsel is hereby authorized to discuss and/or review with Butler Snow any such matters described in this paragraph (including any form of potential conflict waiver, if applicable). Execution of this engagement letter will signify the City's consent to our representation of others consistent with the circumstances described in this paragraph.

FEE STRUCTURE

Based upon: (i) our current understanding of the terms, structure, size and schedule of the Annual Filing, (ii) the duties we will undertake pursuant to this letter, (iii) the time we anticipate devoting to the Annual Filing, and (iv) the responsibilities we assume, our fee for this engagement will be \$3,000.00. Such fee may vary: (i) if material changes in the structure of the financing occur or (ii) if unusual or unforeseen circumstances arise which require a significant increase in our time or our responsibilities. If, at any time, we believe that circumstances require an adjustment of our original fee estimate, we will consult with you.

In addition, this letter authorizes us to incur expenses and make disbursements on behalf of the City, which we will include in our invoice. Disbursement expenses will include such items as travel costs, photocopying, deliveries and other out-of-pocket costs.

PUBLICITY CONCERNING THIS MATTER

Often projects and matters such as this are of interest to the public. Also, many clients desire favorable publicity. Therefore, you agree that we may respond to inquiries from the news media and we may initiate and publish information to the public on this matter (including but not

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limited to our firm website) unless you instruct us not to do so. In any event, we will not divulge any non-public information regarding this matter.

RECORDS

At your request, papers and property furnished by you will be returned promptly upon receipt of payment for outstanding fees and client charges. Our own files, including lawyer work product, pertaining to the transaction will be retained by us. For various reasons, including the minimization of unnecessary storage expenses, we reserve the right to dispose of any documents or other material retain by us after the termination of this engagement.

If the foregoing terms are acceptable to you, please so indicate by (1) returning the enclosed copy of this engagement letter dated and signed by an authorized officer; and (2) returning the material event notice certification dated and signed by an authorized officer, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Please retain a copy of the original engagement letter and material event notice certification for your files.

We look forward to working with you again on your Annual Filing.

BUTLER SNOW LLP



By: _____
Elizabeth Lambert Clark

Accepted and Approved:

THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI

BY: _____
Mayor

Dated: _____

cc: Mr. Jeff Turnage, Esq., City Board Attorney (via email jturnage@mitchellmcnuttt.com)

EXHIBIT A

Event Notice

The City certifies that none of the event notices have occurred with respect to the Bonds:

- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves, if any, reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
- (7) Modifications to rights of Bondholders, if material;
- (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) Defeasances;
- (10) Release, substitution, or sale of property, if any, securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (11) Rating changes;
- (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the Issuer;
- (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and/or
- (14) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.

THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI

BY: _____
Mayor

Dated: _____

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- B. Discuss/Approve request from the Juneteenth Festival Committee to receive the total \$15,000 allocation for the Festival as outlined in the Inter-Local Agreement between the City of Columbus, Lowndes County Board of Supervisors and the Columbus Convention and Visitors Bureau by March 15, 2020.**

Council Member Beard made a motion to approve the request from the Juneteenth Festival Committee to receive the total \$15,000 allocation for the Festival as outlined in the Inter-Local Agreement between the City of Columbus, Lowndes County Board of Supervisors and the Columbus Convention and Visitors Bureau by March 15, 2020. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

- C. Discuss/Approve permission request from the 2020 Juneteenth Festival Committee to sell beer in Sim Scott Park June 19 – 20, 2020, contingent upon the Chief of Police signing off on all necessary paperwork.**

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the request from the 2020 Juneteenth Festival Committee to sell beer in Sim Scott Park June 19 – 20, 2020, contingent upon the Chief of Police signing off on all necessary paperwork. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion, with the exception of Council Members Mickens and Box, who opposed.

The motion carried 4/2.

- D. Discuss/Approve request to apply for the 2020 Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant.**

George Irby, Interim Planner and Director of Community Development came forth and requested to apply to the Mississippi Department of Archives and History for the 2020 Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant, which will require a matching funds from the City.

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Council Member Jones made a motion to apply for the 2020 Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant and come back before the Mayor and Council prior to accepting the grant. Council Member Stewart seconded the motion.

Council Members Stewart and Jones voted in favor of the motion.
Council Members Mickens, Box, Beard and Gavin opposed the motion.

The motion failed 2/4 vote.

- E. **Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) CPD Assistant Chief, contingent upon a successful drug screen and pre-employment medical exam.**
THIS ITEM WAS APPROVED ABOVE UNDER VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATION, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA AS "B1."
- F. **Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) CPD Captain, contingent upon a successful drug screen and pre-employment medical exam.**
THIS ITEM WAS APPROVED ABOVE UNDER VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATION, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA AS "B2."
- G. **Discuss/Approve renewal of Contract for the Provision of Supplemental Police Services.**

Council Member Box made a motion to approve the Contract for the Provision of Supplemental Polices between The Housing Authority of the City of Columbus, Mississippi and the City of Columbus, Mississippi for and on Behalf of the Columbus Police Department. Council Member Mickens seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

- H. **Discuss/Approve recommendations from the January 13, 2020 Planning Commission meeting.**

Permitted Use Request P/U 20-01

**On Behalf of Leah Aguilar
801 Highway 45 North**

The Planning Commission recommends approval of request for allow a mobile Food Trailer, with a time limit of one (1) year.

Council Member Jones moved that the facts and findings of the Planning Commission be adopted as the facts and findings of the Mayor and City

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Council, and that the recommendation of the Planning Commission to allow a Mobile Food Trailer, with a time limit of one (1) year, be approved as a Permitted Use. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion. The Mayor asked if anyone in the audience objected to the permitted use application. No one answered. There followed discussion, consideration, and review by the Council of the issues and facts presented by this request and the action taken by the City of Columbus Planning Commission.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

P/C Item No. 20-02

The Planning Commission recommended approval to Rename Winchester Street to Prince George Street.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the request to rename Winchester Street to Prince George Street. The short street will never be developed. By renaming the street, it will eliminate confusion with emergency vehicles going to the incorrect address. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

I. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket

**JAMES HILL and JOHNNIE M. HILL
LIFE ESTATE**

1412 – 23rd Street North

CASE NUMBER 19-0389 Property Maintenance Code Violation

The General Counsel called cause number **19-0389**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James 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 Beard 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

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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 Jones seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

GLORIA WHITE DAVIS, Et al
1416 – 10th Avenue North
Case Number 19-0462 Burned Structure

The General Counsel called cause number **19-0031**. Gloria W. Davis appeared before the Mayor and Council and requested an extension. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James 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** on the structure and give the property owner a **45-day extension** on the vegetative portion, 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 Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

ANNA W. TATE AND
ANDERSON TATE c/o Margaret Hill
2311 Bell Avenue
CASE NUMBER 19-0004 Dilapidated

The General Counsel called cause number **19-0004**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James 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

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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 Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

J. Discuss/approve Budget Amendments for the Fire & Rescue Department.

Deliah Vaughn, CFO, requested approval of Budget Amendments for the Fire & Rescue Department due to an incorrect submission of an incorrect hourly rate of pay. Council Member Mickens made a motion to approve the motion to approve the budget amendments for the Fire & Rescue Department. Council Member Gavin seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried

K. Discuss/Approve Current Properties on Blight Program.

George Irby, Interim Planner and Director of Community Development, came forward and requested that the Council approve the removal of one (1) parcel of property, 1808 College Street, from the list of Current Properties on the Blight Program and replace it with another parcel, 1019 Shady Street. Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the request to approve the removal of one (1) parcel of property from the list of Current Properties on the Blight Program and replace it with another parcel. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There were no Executive Session Matters to come before the Mayor and Council.

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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 Beard and unanimous vote, the Mayor announced that the meeting was ADJOURNED.

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

**Deliah T. Vaughn
CFO- Secretary-Treasurer**

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