



**Tuesday, October 17, 2023
5:00 PM**

**City Council
Tuesday Meeting Agenda**

**Council Chambers
200 Forrest Street**

Call to Order

Call to Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation Agenda

Agenda Adjustments - Add Policy Items #11, 12, 13 & 14 at the request of the Administration as follows:

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| 11. | 2023-779 | Approve Contractor and Owner Agreement for the Emergency Roof Repair Initiative for an amount not to exceed \$15,000 according to the Emergency Roof Repair initiative Manual and authorize the Mayor to execute in triplicate. |
| 12. | 2023-780 | Approve and authorize issuance of manual checks for CDBG/HOME Program Claims per attached Memorandum. {CDBG Entitlement/HOME} |
| 13. | 2023-777 | Adopt a Resolution authorizing submission of the Mississippi Outdoor Stewardship Trust Grant for design support, development and construction of the River District portion of the Gordon's Creek Linear Trail and authorize the Mayor to execute any and all necessary documents. |
| 14. | 2023-782 | Adopt a Resolution appointing Betsy Mercier as Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Hattiesburg. |

POLICY AGENDA

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| 1. | 2023-734 | Approve the minutes for the October 2 & 3, 2023 meetings of the City Council. |
| 2. | 2023-679 | Approve or Deny a petition filed by John Anglin, Engineer, Kevin Lewis, Architect, and William Carey University, Owner, to request variances for the construction of a new building located at 710 William Carey Parkway. The applicants are requesting a variance from the maximum building height of 35 feet for an R-3 Zoned property and instead to allow for a height of 60 feet. The Board of Adjustment Recommended to Approve. (PPIN 13708, Forrest County, Ward 2). |

3. **2023-680** Approve or Deny a petition filed by Michael W. Anderson, applicant, to request a variance from the minimum zoning buffer requirement of 10 feet for an R-3 zoned property to instead allow for a 0 ft buffer (LDC Table 7.11-2) for a property located at 350 S 11th Avenue for the construction of a parking lot. The Board of Adjustment Recommended to Approve (PPIN 16934, Forrest County, Ward 4).

4. **2023-681** Approve or Deny a petition filed by Frank Roberts, owner, Ashley Roberts, applicant, and Robin Roberts, representative, requesting a variance from Section 6.1 for the minimum lot size requirement of an R-1B zoned lot from 7500ft² and instead allow for 6750ft² for a minor subdivision of a single parcel into three separate parcels, located at 101 Orange Street. The Board of Adjustment recommended to approve (PPIN 24621, Forrest County, Ward 4).

5. **2023-755** Adopt a Resolution establishing petty cash funds effective October 1, 2023 and approve the issuance of a manual check to the petty cash custodian as of October 1, 2023.

6. **2023-754** Approve a Tax Pledge Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg, the University of Southern Mississippi, and the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreement, and waive any conflict of interest that might arise from Moran M. Pope, III, serving as Counsel for the City of Hattiesburg and S. M. Educational Building Corporation.

7. **2023-773** Approve City of Hattiesburg's participation in the MS Emergency Management Agency 2024/2025 District 8 Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan and designate Marybeth Bergin, City Engineer, to represent the City of Hattiesburg.

8. **2023-731** Authorize the acceptance of the FY23 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Award from the US Department of Justice in the amount of \$29,739.

9. **2023-775** Ratify and confirm the Mayor's appointment of Mr. Mike Pruitt (Ward 1) to the Hattiesburg Planning Commission for a five-year term beginning October 31, 2023 to November 1, 2028.

10. **2023-776** Ratify and confirm the Mayor's appointment of Lee Anne Veneable (Ward 4) to the Hattiesburg Planning Commission for a five-year term beginning on October 17, 2023 to October 16, 2028.

ROUTINE AGENDA

1. **2023-774** Acknowledge the Spectrum Center's Annual Pine Belt Pride Event, held on October 14, 2023, at Town Square Park, as a City approved event for the purposes described in Ordinance 3148.

2. **2023-733** Authorize submission of the Norfolk Southern Safety First grant application.
3. **2023-745** Approve and authorize publication of a Request for Qualifications for engineering services for the Hattiesburg Bobby L. Chain Municipal Airport
4. **2023-744** Approve the sale of grave spaces, per attached Memo's, Receipts and Deeds.
5. **2023-732** Approve claims docket for the period ending October 13, 2023.

In Memoriam:

- Mr. Larry Simmons
- Mr. William Roscoe McDonald, Sr.
- Mr. David Morris
- Mr. Alexander Miller
- Mr. Donovan Barnes
- Mr. George Donald Berger
- Mrs. Mildred Jenkins
- Mrs. Thelma Donella Thomas
- Ms. May Ruth Campbell
- Mr. Sam Britton
- Mr. Bryce Humphrey

Meeting Adjourn