

Published Agenda



Monday, October 2, 2023
4:00 PM

City Council
Monday Meeting Agenda

Council Chambers
200 Forrest Street

Call to Order

Public Hearing

1. 2023-698
- Hold Public Hearing to determine if certain properties are in such a state of uncleanness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community, according to the provision of MS Code 1972, Section 21-19-11.

- Attachments:
1. 1234 Beverly Hills Drive Case History

2. 1236 Beverly Hills Drive Case History

3. 122 Ellis Drive Case History

2. 2023-709
- Hold Public Hearing in pursuant to Mississippi Code §17-1-23(4) to divide a property within a platted subdivision located at 509 Ronie Street, requested by Gerry Grimshaw and Garry Willams. The property is part of the Kamper and Whinnery Survey subdivision. The request meets the Land Development Code but may be approved through the procedures pursuant to §17-1-23(4).

Agenda Adjustments - Add Policy Item #14 at the request of the Administration as follows:

14. 2023-727
- Adopt a Resolution declaring Forrest County PPIN 021836 necessary for public use and authorizing to condemn and authorizing the City Attorney or assignee to institute any and all proceedings necessary to acquire the same.

Agenda Review

Citizens' Forum

Work Session

1. 2023-728
- Spring Street Cigars, requested by Council Vice President Dave Ware.

Meeting Recess

Call to Order

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hattiesburg City Council held a **Public Hearing on unsafe properties at 4:00 p.m. Monday, October 2, 2023**, in Council Chambers at City Hall, pursuant to order adopted September 5, 2023, at Minute Book 2022 Page 283, to determine if the following properties are in such a state of uncleanness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community; same being from an adjourned meeting held on September 19, 2023.

Those present included Mayor Toby Barker and members of the City Council Jeffrey George, Ward 1; Deborah Delgado, Ward 2; Carter Carroll, Ward 3; Dave Ware, Ward 4; and Nicholas Brown, Ward 5. Others in attendance included Director of Administration/City Clerk, Kermas Eaton; City Attorney, Randy Pope; Clerk of Council, Ronda S. Kennedy; Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu Jolly; City staff members; media; and the public.

Council President George called the meeting to order and explained the procedures.

Public Hearing

1. **2023-698** Hold Public Hearing to determine if certain properties are in such a state of uncleanliness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community, according to the provision of MS Code 1972, Section 21-19-11.

Attachments: 1. 1234 Beverly Hills Drive Case History
 2. 1236 Beverly Hills Drive Case History
 3. 122 Ellis Drive Case History

Code Enforcement Assistant Division Manager, Whit Sanguinetti, presented the properties to be considered. Mr. Sanguinetti recommended the that the Council adopt resolutions determining the properties are in such a state of uncleanliness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community, providing a specified period of time to remove the violations, and declaring the City's intent to take action to clear violations and charge the cost plus penalty against the property if the violations are not resolved in the specified period of time. He recommended resolutions allowing homeowners 15 days to resolve violations.

Council President George called out each unsafe property listed and asked if there were any citizens who wished to speak on behalf of the property called.

- Marcy Havard, property owner of 1234 Beverly Hills Drive (Case #1)
- Lorretta Esters, spoke on behalf of 1236 Beverly Hills Drive (Case #2)

There were no other citizens present who wished to address the Council regarding properties listed for the public hearing.

By unanimous consent, Council President George **closed the public hearing at 4:12 p.m. and proceeded with the Public Hearing to divide a property within a platted subdivision located at 509 Ronie Street.**

2. **2023-709** Hold Public Hearing in pursuant to Mississippi Code §17-1-23(4) to divide a property within a platted subdivision located at 509 Ronie Street, requested by Gerry Grimshaw and Garry Williams. The property is part of the The Kamper and Whinnery Survey subdivision. The request meets the Land Development Code but may be approved through the procedures pursuant to §17-1-23(4).

Attachments: Application
 Survey
 17-1-23

Council President George called the meeting to order and explained the procedures at 4:12 p.m.

Cory Long, Director of the Planning Department, presented an overview of the request.

Council President George asked if there were any citizens who wished to speak on behalf of the proposed request.

Ms. Gerry Grimshaw also spoke on behalf of the request.

There were no other citizens present who wished to address the Council regarding properties listed for the public hearing.

By unanimous consent, Council President George **closed the public hearing at 4:19 p.m. and proceeded with the Agenda Review.**

Agenda Adjustments

The Clerk of Council read aloud the adjustments to the agenda.

Add Policy Item #14 at the request of the Administration as follows:

14. 2023-727 Adopt a Resolution declaring Forrest County PPIN 021836 necessary for public use and authorizing to condemn and authorizing the City Attorney or assignee to institute any and all proceedings necessary to acquire the same.

Attachments: RESOLUTION AND ORDER TO CONDEMN 205 McLeod Street

Agenda Review

Council President George proceeded with the Agenda Review.

Following discussion of agenda items, Council President George closed the Agenda Review.

Citizens' Forum

Council Vice President Ware proceeded with the Citizens' Forum.

He stated the procedures and invited members of the public to speak.

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- John Hurt, 109 Creekside Mnr.
- Richard Musk, 138 Cottage Dr. spoke on behalf of The Cottages Neighborhood Association (43 neighborhood residents attended)
- Ned Nelson, 7 Woodstone Dr., spoke on behalf of Mr. Dennis Pierce

There were no other citizens present who wished to address the Council.

Council Vice President Ware closed the Citizen Forum.

Work Session

Council President George proceeded with the Work Session, which included:

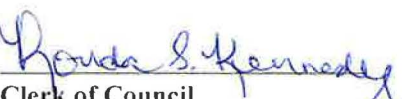
1. 2023-728 Spring Street Cigars, requested by Council Vice President Dave Ware.

Attachments: Hattiesburg Presentation

Meeting Recess

Council President George declared the **meeting recessed at 5:02 p.m., this 2nd day of October, 2023**, by unanimous consent, until the 3rd day of October, 2023.

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council

APPROVE:


Council President

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:


City Clerk

APPROVE:


Mayor
