

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Agenda Review meeting of the Hattiesburg City Council was held at 4:00 p.m. Monday, May 15, 2017, in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Those present included members of the City Council Kim Bradley, Ward 1; Deborah Delgado, Ward 2; Carter Carroll, Ward 3; and Mary Dryden, Ward 4. Others in attendance included Director of Administration/City Clerk, Kermas Eaton; Fire Chief, Paul Presley; Assistant Police Chief, Frank Misenhelter; Director of Public Works, Larry Barnes; Director of Parks and Recreation, Clemon Terrell; Director of Urban Development, Pattie Brantley; Planning Administrator, Ginger Maddox; Land Code Administrator, Steve Mitchell; Code Enforcement Manager, Mark Jordan; City Attorney, Annie Amos; Assistant to the Mayor, Valerie Arnold; Clerk of Council, Debbie Bernardo; Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu; Deputy Clerk of Council; Janet Beech; media; and the public.

The MEETING was called to order by Council President Carroll.

Council President Carroll proceeded with the Agenda Review.

The Clerk of Council read aloud amendments to the agenda as follows:

Add Policy Agenda Item VI.20 at the request of the Council as follows:

- VI.20. 2017-445** Designate the Porter Pub's Anniversary Celebration, to be co-hosted by the Historic Hattiesburg Downtown Association on Friday, June 2, 2017, as a city-approved event for the purposes described in Ordinance Number 3148.

Attachments: HHDA Letter, The Porter Pub Anniversary Celebration, 5-16-17

And, add Routine Agenda Item VII.6 at the request of the Administration as follows:

- VII.6. 2016-111** Approve and authorize issuance of manual check for CDBG Program Claim per the attached memorandum. {Entitlement CDBG}

Attachments: Manual Check for Hollimon Construction

Council President Carroll proceeded with the Agenda Review.

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

Council Vice President Dryden proceeded with the Citizens' Forum. She stated the procedures and invited members of the public to speak.

Joseph Rawson, 701 Dearborne Road, stated that declaring the Night Out Against Crime purchase as sole source is an abuse of sole source purchase and is unlawful. He commented that the City is performing an illegal activity for Night Out Against Crime.

Linda Walters, president of the Council of Neighborhoods, invited the public to attend the Candidates' Forum Thursday, May 18, at Jackie Dole Community Center. She said candidates will be on hand at 5:30 p.m.

and the event will begin at 6 p.m. Ms. Walters also stated that the Highlands Neighborhood is outraged about over voting precincts; she said the issue has existed since 2005, but that Mr. Eaton has a plan. She said newspaper and televisions need to cover.

Robert Abrams, 613 Sunset Drive, appeared before the Council regarding a letter he sent previously asking for a \$1 raise for city workers. He said he hopes it will be on the agenda as of June 1, but if not he will start a petition to stop the Council from spending new money. He said he has spoken to 500 people and they all agree. Mr. Abrams commented on the \$44 million (sic) to be spent on the new police station and on money to be spent on.

David Miller, P.O. 1310, attorney for the Forrest County Board of Supervisors, appeared before the Council to say that the board has cut its budget, but will contribute to the Hattiesburg Historic Downtown Association and Hattiesburg Little League through local and private legislation. Council President Carroll asked Mr. Miller to express the Council's thanks.

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

Council Vice President Dryden closed the Citizens' Forum.

2017-466 5-15-17 Citizens' Forum Sign-In Sheet.

Attachments: Citizens' Forum Sign-In Sheet, 5-15-17

Council President Carroll called for additional business.

He called on Public Works Director Larry Barnes for a presentation on the department's Pavement Preservation program. Mr. Barnes said the program uses a mill overlay on roads that are in good condition in order to extend the lives of the roads; he said the program is being tested in the Jervis Mims, Poplar and Old Hickory area in Ward 5.

2017-468 Pavement Preservation Presentation from Larry Barnes, 5-15-17.

Attachments: Pavement Preservation Presentation, 5-15-17

Council member Bradley stated that he has looked further at the request from Land Code for a permitting clerk and hopes the Council can address the request to add a clerk soon.

2017-469 MEMO from Pattie Brantley and Steve Mitchell, 5-12-17.

Attachments: MEMO, 5-15-17

By unanimous consent, Council President Carroll closed the meeting at 5:00 p.m., this the 15th day of May, A.D., 2017.