



Monday, April 1, 2024
4:00 PM

City Council
Monday Meeting Agenda

Council Chambers
200 Forrest Street

Call to Order

Public Hearing

- 1. 2024-1100 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: Hold Public Hearing Memo - 04 01 2024
1. 3002 Raphael Dr - Case History
2. 101 Mohawk St - Case History
3. 718 Northhill Dr - Case History
4. 820 Edwards St - Case History
5. 906 Short Columbia St - Case History
6. 108 Ruby Ave - Case History
108 Ruby Ave - Dismissal

Agenda Review

Citizens' Forum

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, April 1, 2024**, in Council Chambers at City Hall, pursuant to a resolution (#2024-12) adopted March 5, 2024, at Minute Book 2022 Pages 436-437, to determine if the following properties are in such a state of uncleanliness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community; same being from an adjourned meeting held on March 16, 2024.

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; City staff members; media; and the public. Absent: Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu Jolly.

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

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Code Enforcement Division Manager, Charles Copeland, presented the properties to be considered. Mr. Copeland 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.

- Attorney Jeff Haul, Representative, spoke on behalf of 101 Mohawk Street (Case #2)

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

Mr. Copeland asked that 108 Ruby Avenue be removed from the property list (Case #6).

By unanimous consent, Council President George **closed the public hearing at 4:09 p.m. and proceeded with the Agenda Review.**

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:

- Ray Nacanaynay, 420 Azalea Drive, Long Beach, MS
- Theo Sutton, Jr., 201 S. 25th Ave.
- Lillian Baxter, 119 College Dr.

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

Council Vice President Ware closed the Citizen Forum.

Meeting Recess

Council President George declared the **meeting recessed at 4:26 p.m., this 1st day of April, 2024**, by unanimous consent, until the 2nd day of April, 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:


Clerk of Council


Council President

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:

APPROVE:


City Clerk


Mayor