

Published Agenda



Monday, June 16, 2025  
4:00 PM

City Council  
Monday Meeting Agenda

Council Chambers  
200 Forrest Street

Call to Order

Public Hearing

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2025-483

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.

Agenda Adjustments:

- Add Policy Items #21, #22, #23, Add Routine Item #6 and Delete Routine Item #3, at the request of the Administration.:
21.

2025-514

Authorize publication of Notice of Public Hearing regarding the City of Hattiesburg Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund Improvement Project.
22.

2025-515

Adopt a Resolution by the Mayor and City Council to name the municipal building located at 601 East Pine Street in honor of Councilwoman Deborah Denard Delgado.
23.

2025-516

Approve subscription with Indigov Corporation for use of communications software and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
- R-6.

2025-517

Ratification of claims docket for the period ending May 31, 2025.
- R-3.

2025-487

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Agenda Review

Citizens' Forum

Meeting Recess

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Call to Order

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Hattiesburg City Council held a **Public Hearing at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 16, 2025**, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, pursuant to an order adopted on May 20, 2025, recorded in Minute Book 2023, Page 356, to determine whether the following properties are in such a state of uncleanness as to constitute a menace to the health and safety of the community.

*This meeting convened following the Council's adjourned regular Meeting of June 4, 2025.*

*In attendance were 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 were Director of Administration/City Clerk, Kermas Eaton; Attorney, David Miller; Clerk of Council, Ronda S. Kennedy; Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu Jolly; City staff members; media; and the public.*

*Absent: City Attorney, Randy Pope.*

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

Public Hearing for the Listed Unsafe Properties

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2025-483

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:

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1. 1101 Main Street PPIN 18986 Case History

2. 1101 Main Street PPIN 22156Case History

### 3. 1101 Main Street PPIN 25107 Case History

**Urban Development Director, Wiley Quinn**, provided an overview of the properties under consideration. He recommended that the Council adopt resolutions determining that the properties are in such a state of uncleanliness as to constitute a menace to the health and safety of the community. He further recommended that the resolutions specify a fifteen (15) day period for homeowners to remedy the violations and declared the City's intent to abate the violations and assess the cost, along with any applicable penalties, against the property if the violations were not resolved within that time frame.

Council President George called each listed property in order and first invited the property owner or their legal representative to speak on behalf of the property.

*Cases #1-3: 1101 Main Street [Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, PPINs 18986, 22156 & 25107]*

- *[PPIN 18986] – Rev. Kenneth Fairley, Owner/Pastor of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church*
- *[PPIN 22156 & 25107]: – Attorney Aldo Carter*

Following the presentations, Council President George opened the floor to members of the public who wished to speak, allowing each citizen up to three (3) minutes to address the Council with their concerns regarding the property.

- *Sandra Fairley, 109 Chelsea Place, 39402*
- *Rev. Howard Garrett, 179 Mill Court, 39452*
- *Debra Stewart, 11 Mercer Drive, 39465*
- *Kia Stewart, 11 Mercer Drive, 39465*
- *Pastor C.M. Lockhart, 748 West 4<sup>th</sup>, 39401*
- *Glenda Smith, 316 Venetian Way, 39401*
- *Kate McGee, 1208 Coit Street, 39401*
- *Odis Travis 313 Miller Street, 39401*
- *Lora Posey, 406 Monroe Road, 39401*
- *Sparkle Polk, 5996 US Hwy 49, 39401*
- *Sadie M. Booth, 129 Redus Street, 3940*
- *Vernell D. Gamble, 12 Parkwest Apt. 1252, 39402*
- *Stan Johnson, 635 Douglas Street, 39401*
- *Clemon Ector, 108 Dogwood Drive, 39402*
- *Alisa Watts*
- *Robert K. Minor, Sr., 332 Venetian Way, 39401*
- *Rodrick Woullard*
- *Robin Roberts, 104 Midtown Square, 39402*
- *Gia Croom, 714 Memphis Street, 39401*
- *Robert Johnson, 40 N Bartnes Field Drive F, 39402*
- *Gabriel Bobbett, 1114 North Main Street, 39401*
- *Pastor Willie Clark, 88 Longwood Drive, 39402*

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 5:25 p.m., recessed the meeting for a brief five-minute break, and reconvened at 5:32 p.m. to proceed with the Agenda Review.

**Agenda Adjustments:**

Council President George asked whether there were any adjustments to the agenda.

The Clerk of Council responded in the affirmative and proceeded to read the following adjustments at the request of the Administration:

- ADD Policy Items # 21, 22 & 23;

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| 21. | 2025-514 | Authorize publication of Notice of Public Hearing regarding the City of Hattiesburg Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund Improvement Project. |
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Attachment: City of Hattiesburg Proposed Service Agreement (revised 6.16.25)

- 22. 2025-515** Adopt a Resolution by the Mayor and City Council to name the municipal building located at 601 East Pine Street in honor of Councilwoman Deborah Denard Delgado.

**Attachment:**     **RESOLUTION – Naming East Pine Street Church Building**

23. **2025-516** Approve subscription with Indigov Corporation for use of communications software and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.

Attachment: Hattiesburg, MS – Indigov Contract

- ADD Routine Item #6;

- R-6. 2025-517** Ratification of claims docket for the period ending May 31, 2025.

Attachment: DOCKET 25.05.31  
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- *and DELETE Routine Item #3.*

- R-3. 2025-487** Acknowledged receipt of the FY 2024 audit from Hattiesburg Convention Commission.

## 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 citizen addressed the Council:

- *Virginia Smith, 200 Tuscan Ave., Apt. A*
- *Gia Croom, 714 Memphis St.*
- *Bernard Sang's, 21 Smith Road, 39465*
- *Susan Straus, 3006 Raphael Dr.*
- *Aaron Smith, 11 Ezekiel St.*
- *Reona Burnett, 6563 Hwy 49*
- *Eric Burnett, 6563 Hwy 49*
- *Melody Miller, 268 Broken Arrow Trail, 39465*

There being no other individuals wishing to speak, **Council Vice President Ware** closed the Citizens' Forum.

**Additional Business**

*There was no new business brought before the Council at this time.*

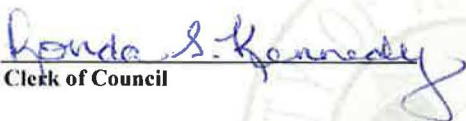
**Meeting Recess**

**Council President George** declared the meeting recessed at 6:30 p.m. on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025, by unanimous consent, until the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CERTIFICATION**

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

  
Clerk of Council

  
Council President

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:

APPROVE:

  
City Clerk

  
Mayor

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