

Published Agenda



Monday, November 3, 2025
4:00 PM

City Council
Monday Meeting Agenda

Council Chambers
200 Forrest Street

Call to Order

Public Hearing

1. 2025-932
- 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: Hold Public Hearing Memo 11-03-2025
1. 42 McCall St - Case History
2. 144 McCall St - Case History
3. 1311 Vernon St - Case History
4. 1749 Edwards St - Case History
5. 1802 Edwards St - Case History
6. 118 Heiddle St - Case History
7. 825 W 6th St - Case History
8. 911 Arledge St - Case History
9. 1013 Deason Ave - Case History
10. 2311 Eddy St - Case History

Agenda Review

Citizens' Forum

Work Session

1. 2025-961
- Visitor Spending Report, presented by Marlo Dorsey of VisitHattiesburg.
2. 2025-962
- Update on comprehensive plan, presented by Clarion Associates.

Meeting Recess

Call to Order

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hattiesburg City Council held a Public Hearing at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, October 20, 2025, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

This meeting convened following the Council's adjourned scheduled regular meeting held on October 7, 2025.

In attendance were Mayor Toby Barker (in at 4:32 p.m.) and members of the City Council Jeffrey George, Ward 1; Eric Boney, Ward 2; LeAnn Vance, Ward 3; Dave Ware, Ward 4; and Nicholas Brown, Ward 5. Others in attendance were 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 Ware called the meeting to order and explained the procedures.

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Council President Ware opened the Public Hearing on the listed unsafe properties at 4:00 p.m. and explained the procedures.

This Public Hearing is being held pursuant to Resolution #2025-203, adopted on October 7, 2025, and recorded in Minute Book 2023, Pages 485, to determine whether the following properties are in such a state of uncleanliness as to constitute a menace to the health and safety of the community.

Code Enforcement Division Manager, Whit Sanguinetti, provided a case overview and the violations for each property listed for 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.

Mr. Sanguinetti also requested that the following property be dismissed from consideration due to compliance:

- *Case #6 – 118 Heiddle Street*

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

The following representatives spoke on behalf as the property was called:

- *Case #2 – 144 McCall St. [Sharon Goff, property owner]*
- *Case #4 – 1749 Edwards St. [Michael Scott, property owner]*
- *Case #5 – 1802 Edwards St. [Johnnie Sims, property owner]*
- *Case #9 – 1013 Deason Ave. [Jamal Griffin, property owner]*

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

By unanimous consent, **Council President Ware closed the public hearing at 4:21 p.m.**

Agenda Review

Council President Ware proceeded with the Agenda Review.

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

Citizens' Forum

Council Vice President George 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, 2404 W. 4th Street, Apt. B*

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

Work Session

Council President Ware proceeded with the Work Session.

The following overview was provided:

1.

2025-961

Visitor Spending Report, presented by Marlo Dorsey of VisitHattiesburg.
Attachment: 2025 City Council – HBURG Tourism Econ Impact
2.

2025-962

Update on comprehensive plan, presented by Randall Gross, RGDE, of Clarion Associates.
Attachment: HATTIESBURG RGDE Update

Meeting Recess

Council President Ware declared the meeting recessed at 5:17 p.m. on this 3rd day of November 2025, by unanimous consent, until the 4th day of November 2025.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CERTIFICATION

ATTEST:

APPROVE:


Clerk of Council


Council President

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:

APPROVE:


City Clerk


Mayor
