

Published Agenda



Tuesday, December 2, 2025
5:00 PM

City Council
Tuesday Meeting Agenda

Council Chambers
200 Forrest Street

- Call to Order
- Call to Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
- Presentation Agenda
- Confirmation of the Agenda or Agenda Adjustments

MB 2023 Page # p. 543	– Add Policy Item #14.
14. 2025-972	Take from the table: Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve with conditions the conditional use request for a “Digital Billboard, New” for a B-5 zoned property located at 6732 Hwy 49 (PPIN 27599, Forrest County, Ward 1). The recommended conditions are as follows: 1. Additional cladding is required to cover structural components. 2. All required landscaping is required to include a minimum of 85% native species.

p. Approval of Minutes for the November 17 & 18, 2025 meetings of the City Council.

POLICY AGENDA

p. 538-539	1. 2025-574	Take from the Table: Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a request to close and vacate an alley located north of 3509 Hardy Street (Forrest County, Ward 1) – tabled at the September 2, 2025 meeting.
p. 539	2. 2025-998	Adopt an Ordinance to a request for a zoning change from B-2 to B-3 for a property located at 823 Edwards Street (PPIN 12895, Forrest County, Ward 2). The Planning Commission recommended denying on November 12, 2025.
p. 539	3. 2025-1034	Adopt Resolutions adjudicating and directing the placement as an assessment for the cleanup costs and applicable penalties, not to exceed the values prescribed by State law, against the following properties.
p. 539-540	4. 2025-1050	Adopt a Resolution declaring a portion of certain Forrest County parcels necessary for public use, establishing just compensation, and authorizing the Mayor to make a fair market value offer related to the Edwards Street Pedestrian Improvement Project and authorize issuance of a manual check.
p. 540	5. 2025-1049	Approve Agreement between City of Hattiesburg and Doleac Electric to provide professional services for the maintenance of city-owned lighting within the City of Hattiesburg that are not currently under contract with a power company for maintenance and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
p. 540	6. 2025-1035	Approve Contractor and Owner Agreements according to the Emergency Roof Repair Initiative Manual and authorize the Mayor to execute in duplicate.
p. 540-541	7. 2025-996	Approve Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg Parks and Recreation Department and South Mississippi Art Association to operate and promote ceramics, pottery, and other art programs for Hattiesburg residents in the amount of \$13,000.00 from December 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026, authorize Mayor to execute and issue a manual check for the same.
p. 541	8. 2025-1037	Approve Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Hattiesburg Little League to operate and promote Youth Baseball programs for Hattiesburg residents for the amount of \$15,000.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all necessary documentation with the issuance of a manual check.
p. 541	9. 2025-1039	Approve the Agreement with Hattiesburg Youth Soccer Association in the amount of \$20,000.00 to develop and promote soccer programs for Hattiesburg residents for the term of January 1st, 2026 through October 30th, 2026; acknowledgment of expenditure report, authorize issuance of manual check and the Mayor to execute the same.
p. 541	10. 2025-1051	Acknowledge receipt of closing documents for the Sims Road Boat Ramp project, Authorize publication of Notice of Final Settlement, authorize payment of final pay application and authorize final acceptance of the project.
p. 542	11. 2025-1052	Rescind Lease Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and PB Foundation Properties, LLC, approved July 8, 2025, at Minute Book # 2023-403, approve Revised Lease Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and PB Foundation, LLC, and authorize the Mayor to the same.
p. 542	12. 2025-1053	Rescind Interlocal Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District approved and authorized on January 24, 2025, at Minute Book # 245-246, and approve and authorize Revised Interlocal Agreement between City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District related to sewer services and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.

p. 542-543	13. 2025-1057	Approve purchase of 2010 Pierce Arrow XT Telescopic Aerial Platform Truck from Jackson Municipal Airport Authority in accordance with Miss Code Section 31-7-13 (m) (vi) in the agreed amount of \$350,000.00 and authorize the issuance of a manual check.
ROUTINE AGENDA		
p. 543	1. 2025-1029	Acknowledge receipt of request filed by Michael Haddox, Property Owner/Applicant, to appeal the Hattiesburg Board of Adjustment action on the petition filed by Mary Jane & Herbs, Property Owner/Applicant, and Michael Haddox, Property Owner/Applicant, for a variance request from the requirement of sidewalk on street frontages for a property located at 135 Thornhill Drive. The Hattiesburg Board of Adjustment voted to deny the petition on November 5th, 2025.
p. 543-544	2. 2025-1030	Acknowledge receipt of the request filed by Michael Bethley, Representative, to appeal the Hattiesburg Planning Commission action on the petition filed by Martin Luther King Jr. Baptist Church, Property Owners, and Michael Bethley, Representative, for a zoning change request from B-2 to B-3 for a property located at 110 Martin Luther King Avenue. The Hattiesburg Planning Commission voted to deny the petition on November 5th, 2025. Set a public hearing before the City Council on December 15th, 2025, at 4:00 pm, and authorize publication of Public Notice setting an Appeal Public Hearing.
p. 544	3. 2025-1033	Acknowledge receipt of the Two-Quote Docket.
p. 544	4. 2025-1056	Acknowledge receipt of the monthly budget report for the month ending October 31, 2025.
p. 544	5. 2025-997	Acknowledge the 2025 Expenditure Report from South MS Art Association for the operation of Pottery and Ceramics Arts Program for Hattiesburg residents.
p. 544	6. 2025-1038	Acknowledge the 2025 Expenditure Report from the Youth Soccer Association.
p. 544	7. 2025-1036	Approve the City's purchase of (4) four grave spaces, located in Section 38, Lot 112, the East Half (E1/2) at Highland Cemetery, Minute book# 2019 and page# 283, in the amount of \$700.00 from Oliver Bryant, Authorize manual check for the same.
p. 544	8. 2025-1040	Approve claims docket for the period ending November 30, 2025.
In Memoriam:		
Meeting Adjourn		

Call to Order

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hattiesburg City Council held a **regular meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 2, 2025**, in the **Council Chambers at City Hall**, *this being the reconvened session of the recessed meeting held on December 1, 2025.*

In attendance were 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.

Absent: Mayor Toby Barker.

Council President Ware Called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Call to Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

The prayer was given by *Officer David Matos.*

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by *Kermas Eaton.*

Presentation Agenda

The PRESENTATION AGENDA came before the Council.

There were no presentations at this time.

Confirmation of the Agenda, as amended:

THE MATTER OF THE AGENDA ORDER was before the Council.

Council President Ware whether there were any adjustments to the agenda.

The Clerk of Council responded in the affirmative and proceeded to read aloud the following adjustments:

14.

2025-972

Take from the table: Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve with conditions the conditional use request for a “Digital Billboard, New” for a B-5 zoned property located at 6732 Hwy 49 (PPIN 27599, Forrest County, Ward 1). The recommended conditions are as follows:

1. Additional cladding is required to cover structural components.

2. All required landscaping is required to include a minimum of 85% native species.

Attachments:

Item A Staff Report – 6732 Hwy 49 – Conditional Use Request

A Image Sheet – 6732 Hwy 49

Complete Application packet for digital billboard – Munn Enterprises CC

ELEVATION Keith Co#152 Hattiesburg, MS-elevation R4

REVISED Digital Billboard #200 & #201 R3

Minutes-November 2025-HPC
- A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to **ADD** Policy Item #14; and **APPROVE** the agenda, *as amended*.
- There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:
- Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown
- Nays: 0
- Approval of Minutes for the November 17 & 18, 2025 meetings of the City Council.**
- 2025-862

Attachments:

11-17-2025 AR Mins.

11-18-2025 Mins.
- There being no corrections, the minutes were approved as presented.
- Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown
- Nays: 0
- POLCY AGENDA**
- THE POLICY AGENDA was then considered.
1.

2025-574

Take from the Table: Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a request to close and vacate an alley located north of 3509 Hardy Street (Forrest County, Ward 1) – tabled at the September 2, 2025 meeting.

Attachments:

Item A Staff Report- 3509 Alley Closure

A Image Sheet - Alley Closure

PH Application Raising Cane's Alley Closure CC

Minutes- July 2025- HPC

Ordinance - Vacate Alley on N 36th Avenue
- A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to **TAKE FROM THE TABLE**: the Planning Commission’s recommendation regarding the request to close and
- vacate an alley located north of 3509 Hardy Street.
- There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:
- Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown
- Nays: 0
- A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown
- to **ACCEPT** the Planning Commission’s recommendation to approve the request to close and vacate the alley located north of 3509 Hardy Street

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

2.

2025-998

~~DENIED~~

Adopt an Ordinance to a request for a zoning change from B-2 to B-3 for a property located at 823 Edwards Street (PPIN 12895, Forrest County, Ward 2). The Planning Commission recommended denying on November 12, 2025.
- Attachments:

Item A Staff Report- 825 Edwards Street- Rezone Request
A Image Sheet - 823 Edwards Street- Rezoning
Application_CC
Warranty Deed
Minutes- November 2025- HPC- Full Minutes
Ordinance - ZONING CHANGE - 823 Edwards Street

A MOTION was made by Council Member Boney and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **ACCEPT** the Planning Commission’s recommendation to *deny* the request for a zoning change from B-2 to B-3 for the property located at 823 Edwards Street.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

3.

2025-1034

[RES#2025-251-256]

Adopt Resolutions adjudicating and directing the placement as an assessment for the cleanup costs and applicable penalties, not to exceed the values prescribed by State law, against the following properties.
- Attachments:

Adjudication Memo 12 02 2025 - UPDATED v2
1. 623 Milton Barnes Ave - Adjudication Resolution
2. 118 E Scooba St - Adjudication Resolution
3. 711 Claiborne Ave - Adjudication Resolution
4. 423 E Scooba St - Adjudication Resolution
5. 1105 Cherry St - Adjudication Resolution
6. 525 Louise St - Adjudication Resolution

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **ADOPT RESOLUTIONS #2025-251-256** adjudicating and directing the placement as an assessment for the cleanup costs and applicable penalties, not to exceed the values prescribed by State law, against the following properties.

Resolution #	Owner	Address	PPIN
[#2025-251]	Progressive Builders Group, LLC Attn: Justin Powell	623 Milton Barnes Avenue	12939
[#2025-252]	William Lott & Lillian Turner % Roderick Crowell	118 E Scooba Street	21316
[#2025-253]	Michael Renard Bounds, Jr.	711 Claiborne Avenue	22340
[#2025-254]	Shamera Bourne C/O Willie Bourne	423 E Scooba Street	23595
[#2025-255]	Curtis Vickers, Jr.	1105 Cherry Street	13467

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

4.

2025-1050

[RES#2025-257]

Adopt a Resolution declaring a portion of certain Forrest County parcels necessary for public use, establishing just compensation, and authorizing the Mayor to make a fair market value offer related to the Edwards Street Pedestrian Improvement Project and authorize issuance of a manual check.
- Attachments:

Offer Resolution Edwards Street
Establishment of Just Comp for Council_combined

A MOTION was made by Council Member Boney and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **ADOPT RESOLUTION #2025-257** declaring a portion of certain Forrest County parcels necessary for public use, establishing just compensation and authorizing the Mayor to make a fair market value offer related to the Edwards Street Pedestrian Improvement Project;

and **AUTHORIZE** issuance of a manual check.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

5. **2025-1049** Approve Agreement between City of Hattiesburg and Doleac Electric to provide professional services for the maintenance of city-owned lighting within the City of Hattiesburg that are not currently under contract with a power company for maintenance and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
- Attachments: Labor & Equipment Rates City Hattiesburg Lighting Maintenance
Partially executed agreement - 2026

A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Vance

to **APPROVE** Agreement between City of Hattiesburg and Doleac Electric to provide professional services for the maintenance of city-owned lighting within the City of Hattiesburg that are not currently under contract with a power company for maintenance;

and **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor to execute the same.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

6. **2025-1035** Approve Contractor and Owner Agreements according to the Emergency Roof Repair Initiative Manual and authorize the Mayor to execute in duplicate.
- Attachments: 202 Gay Ave Grant Agreement Packet
1107 Cherry St Grant Agreement Packet
302 Vernon Dahmer Drive Grant Agreement Packet
Contractor and Owner Agreements for emergency roof repair initiative - 12-2-2025

A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Vance

to **APPROVE** Contractor and Owner Agreements according to the Emergency Roof Repair Initiative Manual;

and **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor to execute in duplicate.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

7. **2025-996** Approve Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg Parks and Recreation Department and South Mississippi Art Association to operate and promote ceramics, pottery, and other art programs for Hattiesburg residents in the amount of \$13,000.00 from December 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026, authorize Mayor to execute and issue a manual check for the same.
- Attachments: South MS Art Association contract
SMAA Liability Insurance 2025
SMAA 2025 Compensation Amount for Pottery Program
South Mississippi Art Association Agreement FYE 2026

A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **APPROVE** Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg Parks and Recreation Department and South Mississippi Art Association to operate and promote ceramics, pottery, and other art programs for Hattiesburg residents in the amount of \$13,000.00 from December 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026;

and **AUTHORIZE** Mayor to execute and issue a manual check for the same.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

8.

2025-1037

Approve Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Hattiesburg Little League to operate and promote Youth Baseball programs for Hattiesburg residents for the amount of \$15,000.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute all necessary documentation with the issuance of a manual check.
- Attachment:

Final 2026 Little League Agreement

A MOTION was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Vice President George

to APPROVE Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Hattiesburg Little League to operate and promote Youth Baseball programs for Hattiesburg residents for the amount of \$15,000.00;

and AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute all required documents and issue a manual check.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

9.

2025-1039

Approve the Agreement with Hattiesburg Youth Soccer Association in the amount of \$20,000.00 to develop and promote soccer programs for Hattiesburg residents for the term of January 1st, 2026 through October 30th, 2026; acknowledgment of expenditure report, authorize issuance of manual check and the Mayor to execute the same.
- Attachment:

2026 Agreement Hattiesburg Youth Soccer Association

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to APPROVE the Agreement with Hattiesburg Youth Soccer Association in the amount of \$20,000.00 to develop and promote soccer programs for Hattiesburg residents for the term of January 1st, 2026 through October 30th, 2026;

ACKNOWLEDGE the expenditure report;

and AUTHORIZE issuance of manual check and the Mayor to execute the same.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

10.

2025-1051

Acknowledge receipt of closing documents for the Sims Road Boat Ramp project, Authorize publication of Notice of Final Settlement, authorize payment of final pay application and authorize final acceptance of the project.
- Attachments:

Pay application #8

Notice of Final Settlement - Sims Rd Boat Ramp Closeout

Closing documents for Sims Road Boat Ramp Project, project final acceptance

A MOTION was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Vice President George

to ACKNOWLEDGE receipt of closing documents for the Sims Road Boat Ramp project;

and AUTHORIZE publication of the Notice of Final Settlement, payment of the final pay application, and final acceptance of the project.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

11.

2025-1052

Rescind Lease Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and PB Foundation Properties, LLC, approved July 8, 2025, at Minute Book # 2023-403, approve Revised Lease Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and PB Foundation, LLC, and authorize the Mayor to the same.
- Attachments:

Lease with Pine Belt Foundation - Round 2

Tatum Park Sports Plex - 7.66 Acres

Tatum Park Sports Plex Exhibit

Approved Lease Agreement with PB Foundation Properties, LLC

Tatum Park - 17.84 Acres

Tatum Park Exhibit

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Vance

to **RESCIND** Lease Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and PB Foundation Properties, LLC, approved July 8, 2025, at Minute Book # 2023-403;

APPROVE Revised Lease Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and PB Foundation, LLC;

and **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor to the same.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

12.

2025-1053

Rescind Interlocal Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District approved and authorized on January 24, 2025, at Minute Book # 245-246, and approve and authorize Revised Interlocal Agreement between City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District related to sewer services and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
- Attachments:

Revised Interlocal Agreement

Previous Interlocal Agreement with Rawls Springs Utility District re sewer services

Revised Interlocal Agreement City of Hattiesburg & Rawls Springs Utility District

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **RESCIND** Interlocal Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District approved and authorized on January 24, 2025, at Minute Book #2023-245-246;

APPROVE the Revised Interlocal Agreement between City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District related to sewer services;

and **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor to execute the same.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

13.

2025-1057
[RES#2025-258]

Adopt a Resolution to approve purchase of 2010 Pierce Arrow XT Telescopic Aerial Platform Truck from Jackson Municipal Airport Authority in accordance with Miss Code Section 31-7-13 (m) (vi) in the agreed amount of \$350,000.00 and authorize the issuance of a manual check.
- Attachments:

Resolution - Inter-governmental sale transfer

Ladder Truck transfer

Appraisal Report - City of Hattiesburg MS

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Boney

to **ADOPT RESOLUTION #2025-258** to approve purchase of 2010 Pierce Arrow XT Telescopic Aerial Platform Truck from Jackson Municipal Airport Authority in accordance with Miss Code Section 31-7-13 (m) (vi) in the agreed amount of \$350,000.00;

and **AUTHORIZE** the issuance of a manual check.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

14. 2025-972
-TABLED-
{indefinitely}
- Take from the table: Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve with conditions the conditional use request for a “Digital Billboard, New” for a B-5 zoned property located at 6732 Hwy 49 (PPIN 27599, Forrest County, Ward 1). The recommended conditions are as follows:
1. Additional cladding is required to cover structural components.

2. All required landscaping is required to include a minimum of 85% native species.
- Attachments:

Item A Staff Report – 6732 Hwy 49 – Conditional Use Request

A Image Sheet – 6732 Hwy 49

Complete Application packet for digital billboard – Munn Enterprises CC

ELEVATION Keith Co#152 Hattiesburg, MS-elevation R4

REVISED Digital Billboard #200 & #201 R3

Minutes-November 2025-HPC

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Vance

to **TAKE FROM THE TABLE**: the Planning Commission’s recommendation to approve, with conditions, the conditional use request for a “Digital Billboard, New” for the B-5 zoned property located at 6732 Hwy 49.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **TABLE the item indefinitely** (regarding the conditional use request for a “Digital Billboard, New” at 6732 Hwy 49).

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

ROUTINE AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **APPROVE** the Routine Agenda, including the claims docket and the addendum.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

1. 2025-1029

Acknowledge receipt of request filed by Michael Haddox, Property Owner/Applicant, to appeal the Hattiesburg Board of Adjustment action on the petition filed by Mary Jane & Herbs, Property Owner/Applicant, and Michael Haddox, Property Owner/Applicant, for a variance request from the requirement of sidewalk on street frontages for a property located at 135 Thornhill Drive. The Hattiesburg Board of Adjustment voted to deny the petition on November 5th, 2025.

Attachment:

135 Thornhill Drive- Haddox Appeal Paperwork
2. 2025-1030

Acknowledge receipt of the request filed by Michael Bethley, Representative, to appeal the Hattiesburg Planning Commission action on the petition filed by Martin Luther King Jr. Baptist Church, Property Owners, and Michael Bethley, Representative, for a zoning change request from B-2 to B-3 for a property located at 110 Martin Luther King Avenue. The Hattiesburg Planning Commission voted to deny the petition on November 5th, 2025. Set a public hearing before the City Council on December 15th, 2025, at 4:00 pm, and authorize publication of Public Notice setting an Appeal Public Hearing.

- Attachment:

Bethley Appeal- 110 MLK Ave- Appeal Paperwork
3.

2025-1033

Acknowledge receipt of the Two-Quote Docket.

Attachment:

December 2, 2025 Council Agenda
4.

2025-1056

Acknowledge receipt of the monthly budget report for the month ending October 31, 2025.

Attachments:

EXP 103125
REV 103125
- 2025-997

Acknowledge the 2025 Expenditure Report from South MS Art Association for the operation of Pottery and Ceramics Arts Program for Hattiesburg residents.

Attachment:

SMAA 2025 Expenditure Report
6.

2025-1038

Acknowledge the 2025 Expenditure Report from the Youth Soccer Association.

Attachments:

2025 City Of Hattiesburg PR League Expenditure Reports [73]
HFC Sales August 2024-July 2025[32]
7.

2025-1036

Approve the City's purchase of (4) four grave spaces, located in Section 38, Lot 112, the East Half (E1/2) at Highland Cemetery, Minute book# 2019 and page# 283, in the amount of \$700.00 from Oliver Bryant, Authorize manual check for the same.

Attachment:

0164_001
8.

2025-1040

Approve claims docket for the period ending November 30, 2025.

Attachments:

DOCKET 25.1130
DT_25.1130

Executive Session

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George for the Council

to **ENTER CLOSED SESSION TO DETERMIN THE NEED TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 5:12 p.m.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

Council President Ware asked for the Chambers to be cleared at this time.

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 5:13 p.m. to discuss *pending litigation*, as an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the City’s litigating position, in accordance with Mississippi Code Section § 25-41-7 (b).

§ 25-41-7 (b): Litigation, where open discussion would have detrimental effect on litigating position.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

The City Attorney stepped out into the hall and announced that the Council had entered executive session to discuss potential litigation.

Those present for the Executive Session were Council members: Jeffrey George, Eric Boney, LeAnn Vance, Dave Ware and Nicholas Brown; Director of Administration/City Clerk, Kermas Eaton; City Attorney, Randy Pope; Chief Administrative Officer, Ann Jones; Director of Water & Sewer, Alan Howe; Director of Parks & Recreation, Betsy Mercier; Director Department of Transportation and Engineering, Marybeth Bergin; Chief Communications Officer, John Arender; Clerk of Council, Ronda Kennedy; Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu Jolly; and Attorney Keith Turner from Watkins & Eager law firm.

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to RE-OPEN the meeting to the public at 6:07 p.m.

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

Yeas: 5 – George, Boney, Vance, Ware and Brown

Nays: 0

Council President Ware called the meeting back to order in Open Session and reported that no action was taken during Executive Session. *The Council discussed matters pertaining to potential litigation.*

In Memoriam:

There were no individuals memorialized during this meeting.

Meeting Adjourn

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, Council President Ware declared the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m. on this 2nd day of December 2025, by unanimous consent.

The next Council meeting had been duly scheduled for the 15th day of December 2025.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CERTIFICATION

ATTEST:

APPROVE:


Clerk of Council


Council President

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:

APPROVE:


City Clerk


Mayor
