

Published Agenda



Tuesday, March 3, 2026
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 or Adjustment of the Agenda
- Approval of Minutes for the January 20, 2026 meeting of the City Council.

p. 56	2026-56	Approve the minutes for the January 20, 2026 meeting of the City Council.
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POLICY AGENDA

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p. 56 – 57	1. 2026-18	Adopt an Ordinance to amend Section 7 of the Hattiesburg Land Development Code, Ord. No. 3209, as amended, to add “crusher run” as an approved “hard surface” used for parking and driveways inside any historic district. Planning Commission recommended approval, with changes, on January 7, 2026.
p. 57	2. 2026-102	Adopt an Ordinance amending the City of Hattiesburg Land Development Code (Ordinance No. 3209, as amended) to revise portions of Sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12, and 13 (text amendments). Planning Commission recommended approval, with changes, on February 4, 2026.
p. 57	3. 2026-101	Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to deny a conditional use request for a “Group Care Home” for an R-1A zoned property at 2306 Clayton Place (PPIN 24337, Forrest County, Ward 4).
p. 57	4. 2026-103	Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a subdivision alteration for a subdivision known as “Mineral Creek Manor” for a property at 100 J Ed Turner Drive (PPIN 9505, Forrest County, Ward 1).
p. 58	5. 2026-104	Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to deny a conditional use request for "Automotive, truck, and small engine repairs," "Automotive, truck, and small engine maintenance," and “Automotive Sales and Rentals” for a B-3-BCO zoned property at 401 Broadway Drive (PPIN 21784, Forrest County, Ward 4).
p. 58	6. 2026-149	Adopt a Resolution requesting the Mississippi Legislature to extend the repealer imposed on the Hattiesburg Tourism Commission and the special tax levied therefore, to July 1, 2031.
p. 58 – 59	7. 2026-136	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. 59	8. 2026-139	Approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District regarding services and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
p. 59	9. 2026-124	Approve an agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration to provide a flight inspection of PAPI, REIL & MIRLS as part of the 2025 Airport Lighting project at the Hattiesburg Bobby L. Chain Municipal Airport at an estimated cost of \$20,896.92; authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement and authorize issuance of a manual check.
p. 59 – 60	10. 2026-142	Approve Supplemental Agreement No.1 with Chris Albritton Construction Company Inc. for Federal Aid Project No. STP-0210-00(040) LPA/1008800-701000 to account for modified and added items with an increase of \$9750.00 and decrease of \$9855.00 for a contract amount decrease to \$105.00 adding 44 working days to the contract; Authorize the Mayor to execute the Supplemental Agreement in duplicate.
p. 60	11. 2026-135	Approve Contract Change Order No. 3 with M&P Construction for the Katie-Dabbs Community Center Renovations Project for a contract increase of \$58,197.28; Authorize the Mayor to execute the Change Order in duplicate.
p. 60	12. 2026-137	Approve Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and the Methodist Hour of Mississippi, Inc., to provide services and programs related to impacts caused by the national opiate epidemic and authorize the Mayor to execute and issuance of a manual check.
p. 60 – 61	13. 2026-140	Approve Letter of Engagement with Landry Kitchens Germany Architects, P.A. (LKG), to provide architectural concept design services for tennis facilities, and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
p. 61	14. 2026-143	Approve and adopt the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Code Enforcement.

p. 61	15. 2026-144	Acknowledge receipt of closing documents for the Hattiesburg Community Arts Center Renovation project; Authorize payment of final pay application and authorize final acceptance of the project.
ROUTINE AGENDA		
p. 61	1. 2026-138	Acknowledge receipt of the Two-Quote Docket.
p. 61	2. 2026-134	Approve and authorize issuance of manual checks for CDBG/HOME Claims per attached.
p. 61	3. 2026-41	Acknowledge no proposals were received on February 19, 2026, for Request for Proposals for Consultant Services to conduct a Historic Survey and prepare a National Register nomination for the Hattiesburg Historic District, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 39-13-5(a) and authorize re-advertisement for the same.
p. 62	4. 2026-141	Approve and Authorize publication of a Request for Qualifications for HVAC Contractor Services for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.
p. 62	5. 2026-155	Approve and Authorize publication of a Request for Qualifications for Plumbing Contractor Services for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.
p. 62	6. 2026-147	Approve plans and specifications for the Fourth Street Pathway Project, N 34th Ave to N 38th Ave (STP-7194-00(004)LPA/109376-701000) and authorize advertisement for bids contingent upon MDOT approval to advertise.
p. 62	7. 2026-148	Approve plans and specifications for the Fourth Street Pathway Project, N 38th Ave to Thornhill Dr (HPP-8750-00(004)LPA/105845-802000) and authorize advertisement for bids contingent upon MDOT approval to advertise.
p. 62	8. 2026-146	Approve Plans and Specifications for the Hattiesburg High Area Infrastructure Improvements - Phase I project and authorize advertisement for bids.
p. 62	9. 2026-145	Approve plans and specifications for the River Avenue Pedestrian Bridge Rehabilitation project and authorize advertisement for bids.
p. 62	10. 2026-152	Approve claims docket for the period ending February 28, 2026.

In Memoriam:

- *Mr. Robert Carrington “Bobby” Dews, Sr.*
- *Mr. Herbert H. “Buddy” Klein*
- *Mrs. Sarah Alice Doss Fowler*
- *Mrs. Michelle Heidelberg*

Meeting Adjourn

Call to Order

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hattiesburg City Council held a **regular meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2026**, in the **Council Chambers at City Hall**, *this being the reconvened session of the recessed meeting held on March 2, 2026.*

In attendance were Mayor Toby Barker 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 at 5:00 p.m.

Call to Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

The prayer was given by *City Attorney, Randy Pope..*

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by *City Clerk, Kermas Eaton.*

Presentation Agenda

The PRESENTATION AGENDA came before the Council.

Mayor Barker and Council President Ware presented Dr. Andrew Wiest, University Distinguished Professor of History at The University of Southern Mississippi, with a Proclamation honoring his distinguished career in military history and congratulating him on receiving the 2026 Samuel Eliot Morison Award from the Society for Military History.

There were no other presentations at this time.

Confirmation of the Agenda

THE MATTER OF THE AGENDA ORDER was before the Council.

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

The Clerk of Council responded that there were none.

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to **APPROVE** Agenda as presented.

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 February 17, 2026 meeting of the City Council.

2026-150	Approve the minutes for the February 17, 2026 meeting of the City Council.
	Attachments: 02-17-2026 XS Mins.

Council President Ware asked whether there were any amendments to the minutes.

There being none, the minutes were **APPROVED** as presented.

POLCY AGENDA

THE POLICY AGENDA was then considered.

1.	2026-18 [ORD #3403]	Take from the table: Adopt an Ordinance to amend Section 7 of the Hattiesburg Land Development Code (Ordinance No. 3209, as amended) to add “crusher run” as an approved “hard surface” used for parking and driveways within Historic Overlay Districts.” Planning Commission recommended approval, with changes, on January 7, 2026.
		Attachments: <u>Item B Staff Report- Text Amendment- Crusher Run</u> <u>Application 1_CC</u> <u>Ordinance - Text Amendment to LDC - Crusher Run</u> <u>Minutes- January 2026- HPC</u>

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

to **TAKE FROM THE TABLE** an Ordinance amending Section 7 of the Hattiesburg Land Development Code to

add “crusher run” as an approved “hard surface” used for parking and driveways within Historic Overlay Districts.

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 **ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3403** to amend Section 7 of the Hattiesburg Land Development Code to add

“crusher run” as an approved “hard surface” used for parking and driveways within Historic Overlay Districts.

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

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

Nays: 0

2.	2026-102 [ORD #3404]	Adopt an Ordinance amending the City of Hattiesburg Land Development Code (Ordinance No. 3209, as amended) to revise portions of Sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12, and 13 (text amendments). Planning Commission recommended approval, with changes, on February 4, 2026. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>Item B Staff Report- Text Amendments</u> <u>Ordinance - LDC Amendments</u>
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A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **ADOPT ORDINANCE #3404** amending the City of Hattiesburg Land Development Code (Ordinance No. 3209, as amended) to revise portions of Sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12, and 13 (text amendments).

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

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

Nays: 0

3.	2026-101 - Request DENIED -	Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to deny a conditional use request for a “Group Care Home” for an R-1A zoned property at 2306 Clayton Place (PPIN 24337, Forrest County, Ward 4). <u>Attachments:</u> <u>Item A Staff Report- Clayton Place- Conditional Use</u> <u>2306 Clayton Place- Application Packet</u> <u>The Willow Residence Concept plan</u> <u>Detailed explanation of condition</u> <u>2306 Clayton Place-Willow Residence-10-15-25-NOTES</u> <u>Minutes- February 2026- HPC</u> <u>2306 Clayton Place- Exhibit A-1</u>
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A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **ACCEPT** the Planning Commission's recommendation to **DENY** a conditional use request for a “Group Care Home” for an R-1A zoned property at 2306 Clayton Place (PPIN 24337).

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously, and the request was denied by the following vote:

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

Nays: 0

4.	2026-103	Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a subdivision alteration for a subdivision known as “Mineral Creek Manor” for a property at 100 J Ed Turner Drive (PPIN 9505, Forrest County, Ward 1). <u>Attachments:</u> <u>Item C Staff Report- 100 J Ed Turner-Subdivision</u> <u>UPDATED APPLICATION CC</u> <u>Subdivision Alteration Application</u> <u>Site Plan</u> <u>Amended Plat</u> <u>100 J Ed Turner-Mineral Creek Manor Amendment-12-18-25-PRE APP NOTES</u> <u>Minutes- February 2026- HPC</u> <u>Mineral Creek Manor- Exhibit C-1</u>
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A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown

to **ACCEPT** the Planning Commission's recommendation to **APPROVE** a subdivision alteration for a subdivision known as “Mineral Creek Manor” for a property at 100 J Ed Turner Drive (PPIN 9505).

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

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

Nays: 0

5.	2026-104 - Request DENIED -	Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to deny a conditional use request for "Automotive, truck, and small engine repairs," "Automotive, truck, and small engine maintenance," and "Automotive Sales and Rentals" for a B-3-BCO zoned property at 401 Broadway Drive (PPIN 21784, Forrest County, Ward 4).
	<u>Attachments:</u>	<u>Item D Staff Report- 401 Broadway Drive- Conditional Use Application CC</u> <u>401 Broadway Drive-Car Rental and Sales-12-18-25-PRE APP NOTES</u> <u>Minutes- February 2026- HPC</u>

A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to **ACCEPT** the Planning Commission's recommendation to **DENY** a conditional use request for "Automotive, truck, and small engine repairs," "Automotive, truck, and small engine maintenance," and "Automotive Sales and Rentals" for a B-3-BCO zoned property at 401 Broadway Drive (PPIN 21784).

There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously, and the request was denied by the following vote:

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

Nays: 0

6.	2026-149 [RES#2026-49]	Adopt a Resolution requesting the Mississippi Legislature to extend the repealer imposed on the Hattiesburg Tourism Commission and the special tax levied therefore, to July 1, 2031.
	<u>Attachments:</u>	<u>Resolution requesting the Mississippi Legislature to extend the repealer imposed on Hattiesburg Tourism Commission to 2031</u>

A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-49** requesting the Mississippi Legislature to extend the repealer imposed on the Hattiesburg Tourism Commission and the special tax levied therefore, to July 1, 2031.

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

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

Nays: 0

7.	2026-136 [RES#s2026-50-59]	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.
	<u>Attachments:</u>	<u>Adjudication Memo 03 03 2026</u> <u>1. 718 Northhill Dr - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>2. 820 Edwards St - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>3. 703 Magnolia Ave - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>4. 730 N 19th Ave - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>5. 813 Milton Barnes Ave - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>6. 105 Saucier Dr - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>7. 814 Atlanta St - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>8. 303 S 13th Ave - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>9. 210 S 34th Ave - Adjudication Resolution</u> <u>10. 224 Fredna Ave - Adjudication Resolution</u>

A **MOTION** was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Vice President George to **ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 2026-50 through 2026-59** 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.

<u>Resolution #</u>	<u>Owner:</u>	<u>Address:</u>	<u>PPIN:</u>
[#2026-50]	Stephon Leonard Mobley	718 Northhill Drive	22263
[#2026-51]	Mikal & Narjis Uqdah	820 Edwards Street	12911
[#2026-52]	Merri Jill King	703 Magnolia Avenue	13623

[#2026-53]	Sarah Allen	730 N 19th Avenue	14859
[#2026-54]	Donna Williams and Prince Woullard	813 Milton Barnes Avenue	40052
[#2026-55]	Keith Ronell Adams & ETALS	105 Saucier Drive	22318
[#2026-56]	Toby Woullard	814 Atlanta Street	25711
[#2026-57]	Justin Powell	303 South 13th Avenue	24198
[#2026-58]	Philip and Elise Dickerson	210 South 34th Avenue	22645
[#2026-59]	J. Alvin Investments LLC	224 Fredna Avenue	13929

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

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

Nays: 0

8.	2026-139	Approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District regarding services, and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
	Attachments:	<u>Second Revised Interlocal Agreement</u> <u>Interlocal Agreement between COH & Rawls Springs Utility District</u>

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to **APPROVE** an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Rawls Springs Utility District regarding 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

9.	2026-124	Approve an agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration to provide a flight inspection of PAPI, REIL & MIRLS as part of the 2025 Airport Lighting project at the Hattiesburg Bobby L. Chain Municipal Airport at an estimated cost of \$20,896.92; authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement and authorize issuance of a manual check.
	Attachments:	<u>AC-007594 Hattiesburg MS</u> <u>Agreement with DOT-FAA for flight inspection of PAPI, REIL & MIRLS - 2025</u> <u>Airport Lighting at Bobby L. Chain Municipal Airport</u>

A MOTION was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Vice President George to **APPROVE** an agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration to provide a flight inspection of PAPI, REIL & MIRLS as part of the 2025 Airport Lighting project at the Hattiesburg Bobby L. Chain Municipal Airport at an estimated cost of \$20,896.92; and **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor to execute said agreement and 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

10.	2026-142	Approve Supplemental Agreement No.1 with Chris Albritton Construction Company Inc. for Federal Aid Project No. STP-0210-00(040) LPA/1008800-701000 to account for modified and added items with an increase of \$9750.00 and decrease of \$9855.00 for a contract amount decrease to \$105.00 adding 44 working days to the contract; Authorize the Mayor to execute the Supplemental Agreement in duplicate.
	Attachments:	<u>Supplemental Agreement No. 1 Chris Albritton Construction Company Inc.</u>

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

to APPROVE Supplemental Agreement No.1 with Chris Albritton Construction Company Inc. for Federal Aid Project No. STP-0210-00(040) LPA/1008800-701000 to account for modified and added items with an increase of \$9750.00 and decrease of \$9855.00 for a contract amount decrease to \$105.00 adding 44 working days to the contract;

and AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Supplemental Agreement in duplicate.

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

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

Nays: 0

11.

2026-135

Approve Contract Change Order No. 3 with M&P Construction for the Katie-Dabbs Community Center Renovations Project for a contract increase of \$58,197.28; Authorize the Mayor to execute the Change Order in duplicate.
- Attachments: 3823 26-0218 Change Order #3 for signature 2.19.26

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

to APPROVE a Contract Change Order No. 3 with M&P Construction for the Katie-Dabbs Community Center Renovations Project for a contract increase of \$58,197.28;

and AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Change Order in duplicate.

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

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

Nays: 0

12.

2026-137

Approve Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and the Methodist Hour of Mississippi, Inc., to provide services and programs related to impacts caused by the national opiate epidemic and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
- Attachments: Opiod Remediation Uses
Memorandum Agreement between The Methodiest Hour of Mississippi and COH

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

to APPROVE an Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and the Methodist Hour of Mississippi, Inc.. to provide services and programs related to impacts caused by the national opiate epidemic;

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.

2026-140

Approve Letter of Engagement with Landry Kitchens Germany Architects, P.A. (LKG), to provide architectural concept design services for tennis facilities, and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.
- Attachments: Tatum Tennis Court Revitalization Proposal

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

to APPROVE a Letter of Engagement with Landry Kitchens Germany Architects, P.A. (LKG), to provide architectural concept design services for tennis facilities,

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

14.	2026-143	Approve and adopt the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Code Enforcement. Attachments: <u>COH Code Enforcement SOP</u>
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A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Vance to **APPROVE** and **ADOPT** the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Code Enforcement.

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

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

Nays: 0

15.	2026-144	Acknowledge receipt of closing documents for the Hattiesburg Community Arts Center Renovation project; Authorize payment of final pay application and authorize final acceptance of the project. Attachments: <u>Consent of Surety</u> <u>4121B Pay App No4 26-0217 Executed</u> <u>G706 Affidavit of Payments</u> <u>G706A Release of Liens</u> <u>GC Certifications</u> <u>GC Guarantee</u> <u>Malone Warranty Letter HCAC</u>
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A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Brown to **ACKNOWLEDGE** receipt of closing documents for the Hattiesburg Community Arts Center Renovation project; and **AUTHORIZE** 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

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.

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

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

Nays: 0

1.	2026-138	Acknowledge receipt of the Two-Quote Docket. Attachments: <u>March 3, 2026 Council Agenda</u>
2.	2026-134	Approve and authorize issuance of manual checks for CDBG/HOME Claims per attached. Attachments: <u>Katie Dabbs - Certificate of Payment #8 - executed</u> <u>LLG 3823 - Invoice #15 - 26-0216</u> <u>Cardinalbama ,LLC</u>
3.	2026-41	Acknowledge no proposals were received on February 19, 2026, for Request for Proposals for Consultant Services to conduct a Historic Survey and prepare a National Register nomination for the Hattiesburg Historic District, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 39-13-5(a) and authorize re-advertisement for the same. Attachments: <u>RFP Re-Survey HHN NRD with survey standards</u> <u>RFP- Historic SurveyNR</u>

4.	2026-141	Approve and Authorize publication of a Request for Qualifications for HVAC Contractor Services for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>RFQ - HVAC CDBG Program 3.3.26</u>
5.	2026-155	Approve and Authorize publication of a Request for Qualifications for Plumbing Contractor Services for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>RFQ - Plumbing Contractor Services 3.3.26</u> <u>RFQ - Licensed Specialty Plumbing Contractors 3.5.26</u>
6.	2026-147	Approve plans and specifications for the Fourth Street Pathway Project, N 34th Ave to N 38th Ave (STP-7194-00(004)LPA/109376-701000) and authorize advertisement for bids contingent upon MDOT approval to advertise. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>109376-701000 PS&E Proposal</u> <u>109376-701000 PS&E Plans</u>
7.	2026-148	Approve plans and specifications for the Fourth Street Pathway Project, N 38th Ave to Thornhill Dr (HPP-8750-00(004)LPA/105845-802000) and authorize advertisement for bids contingent upon MDOT approval to advertise. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>105845-802000 PS&E Plans</u> <u>105845-802000 PS&E Specs</u>
8.	2026-146	Approve Plans and Specifications for the Hattiesburg High Area Infrastructure Improvements - Phase I project and authorize advertisement for bids. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>12230 Advertisement Street Ready Set 2026-02-18</u> <u>12230 Plans Street Ready Set 2026-02-27</u> <u>12230 Specs Street Ready Set 2026-02-18</u>
9.	2026-145	Approve plans and specifications for the River Avenue Pedestrian Bridge Rehabilitation project and authorize advertisement for bids. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>River Ave Ped Bridge Rehab PLANS</u> <u>River Ave Ped Bridge Rehab SPECSANS</u> <u>River Ave Ped Bridge Rehab AD</u>
10.	2026-152	Approve claims docket for the period ending February 28, 2026. <u>Attachments:</u> <u>DOCKET 26.0228</u> <u>DT 26.0228</u>

Executive Session

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President George to **ENTER CLOSED SESSION TO DETERMINE THE NEED TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 5:11 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 requested that the Chambers be cleared at this time.

A MOTION was made by Council Vice President Geroqe and seconded by Council Member Brown to **ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 5:12 p.m. to discuss transaction of business and discussion regarding the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands, pursuant to *Mississippi Code §25-41-7(4)(g)*.

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 transaction of business and discussion regarding the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands.

Those present for the Executive Session were Mayor Toby Barker; 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; Attorney David Miller; Clerk of Council, Ronda Kennedy; and Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu Jolly

A **MOTION** was made by Council Vice President George and seconded by Council Member Vance to **ADD** to the agenda a Resolution entitled:

"A Resolution requesting the Mississippi legislature to enact certain Local and Private Legislation allowing the City of Hattiesburg to enter into a long-term lease agreement."

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 **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-60** requesting the Mississippi legislature to enact certain Local and Private Legislation allowing the City of Hattiesburg to enter into a long-term lease agreement.

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 Vance to **EXIT** Executive Session and **RE-OPEN** the meeting to the public at 5:18 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, during executive session, the Council discussed matters pertaining to economic development involving prospective land transactions.

In Memoriam:

A **MOTION** was made by Council President Ware to Adjourn the meeting in *memory of*:

- *Mr. Robert Carrington "Bobby" Dews, Sr.*
- *Mr. Herbert H. "Buddy" Klein*
- *Mrs. Sarah Alice Doss Fowler*
- *Mrs. Michelle Heidelberg*

Meeting Adjourn

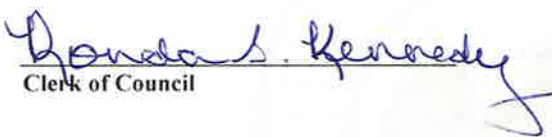
THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, Council President Ware declared the meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m. on this 3rd day of March 2026, by unanimous consent.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council will be held on Monday, March 16, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CERTIFICATION

ATTEST:

APPROVE:


Clerk of Council


Council President

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:

APPROVE:


City Clerk


Mayor
