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**Tuesday, May 19, 2026
5:00 PM**

**City Council
Tuesday Meeting Agenda**

**Council Chambers
200 Forrest Street**

Call to Order

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation Agenda

Confirmation or Adjustment of the Agenda

Approval of Minutes for the May 4 & 5, 2026 meetings of the City Council.

POLICY AGENDA

1. **2026-271** Take from the Table: Adopt an Ordinance to vacate a 150ft portion of an alley between Walnut and Court Street, more specifically between 409 and 407 Court Street in the Hattiesburg Historic Neighborhood (Ward 4, Forrest County). The Planning Commission voted to recommend denial on April 1, 2026. This item was appealed on April 7th, 2026. *(Tabled at the May 5, 2026, Council Meeting)*

2. **2026-368** Adopt an ordinance for a zoning change from A-1 to A-2 for a property located at 18 Classic Drive (PPIN 9514, Forrest County, Ward 1). The Hattiesburg Planning Commission voted to recommend approval on May 6th, 2026.

3. **2026-369** Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a preliminary plat for a major subdivision for a property located at 18 Classic Drive (PPIN 9514, Forrest County, Ward 1).

4. **2026-366** Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the conditional use request for dustless gravel for outdoor equipment storage (LDC 7.12.10.4) for a property located at 1725 Byron Street (PPIN 23329, Forrest County, Ward 5) with the following added conditions:
 1. To require R-3 Zoning Buffer Requirements for landscaping around the property (LDC Table 7.11.13).

5. **2026-371** Accept the Board of Adjustment's recommendation to approve the following variances at a B-5 zoned property located at 1725 Byron Street (PPIN 23329, Forrest County, Ward 5).
- A variance from the fence height requirement of a maximum of 4ft in a front yard to instead allow for 8ft.
 - A variance from the requirement of the maximum outdoor equipment storage space of 50% of the side and rear lot area to instead allow for 100%.
6. **2026-367** Accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the conditional use request for "automotive sales and rentals" for a property located at 1601 Corinne Street (PPIN 17592, Forrest County, Ward 4) with the following added conditions:
1. To require R-3 Zoning Buffer Requirements for landscaping around the property (LDC Table 7.11.13).
 2. That the inoperable vehicles be removed within 2 months.
 3. Approval of their business license is contingent upon meeting all stated conditions.
7. **2026-370** Accept the Board of Adjustment's recommendation to approve the following variances for a proposed subdivision and house construction for an R-1C zoned property on the corner of Miller Street and Stadium Drive (PPIN 26645, Ward 4, Forrest County).
- Lot 1 (north)
 - Variance from the minimum lot size requirement of 5000sqft to allow 2100sqft
 - Variance from the minimum front setback requirement of 20ft to allow for 17ft
 - Variance from the minimum side setback requirement of 10ft to allow for 2.5ft
 - Variance from the minimum side setback requirement of 10ft to allow for 2.5ft
 - Variance from the minimum rear setback requirement of 25ft to allow for 20.5ft
 - Variance from the maximum impervious surface lot coverage requirement of 50% to allow for 52%
 - Lot 2 (south)
 - Variance from the minimum lot size requirement of 5000sqft to allow 2100sqft
 - Variance from the minimum front setback requirement of 20ft to allow for 17ft
 - Variance from the minimum front setback requirement of 20ft to allow for 2.5ft

- Variance from the minimum side setback requirement of 10ft to allow for 2.5ft
- Variance from the maximum impervious surface lot coverage requirement of 50% to allow for 52%

8. **2026-373** Accept the Board of Adjustment's recommendation for approve a variance from the maximum two-way driveway width of 24ft to allow for 50ft for a property located at 4879 Hwy 49 (PPINs 27634, 27635, 27636, Forrest County, Ward 5).

9. **2026-376** 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.

10. **2026-377** Adopt a Resolution setting Public Hearing on Monday, June 15th, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at City Hall 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.

11. **2026-374** Adopt a Resolution authorizing submission of a grant application to the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, and approve commitment of local matching funds.

12. **2026-378** Approve advertising sponsorship for 2026 Star Spangled Celebration on the River, July 2, 2026, in accordance with Mississippi 17-3-1, in the amount of \$9,800.00, and authorize issuance of manual check for the same.

13. **2026-381** Approve the Subrecipient Agreement with Breakthrough Community Services, Inc. in response to the City's Public Services Request for Proposals for 2025/26 CDBG Public Service funding, not to exceed \$25,000. The program will provide utility assistance to eligible low-to-moderate income elderly households age 62 and older in accordance with HUD CDBG Public Services requirements.

14. **2026-350** Approve a Sponsorship Agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and the Hattiesburg Concert Association in accordance with MS Code Section 17-3-1, for advertising and promoting the City of Hattiesburg through events such as FestivalSouth in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00. Authorize issuance of manual check for the same.

15. **2026-362** Declare and approve a sole source purchase for ten (10) Motorola Solutions WatchGuard Mobile Video Equipment and a 5-year software warranty in the amount of \$88,478.00.

16. **2026-384** Authorize the disposal of Council Agenda Files dated from December 7, 2020, through May 17, 2022, in accordance with Ordinance #3342 and the State of Mississippi Records Retention Schedule for Municipalities General Schedule as provided for in MS Code Ann. § 21-15-37.

17. **2026-379** Authorize submission of a grant application to Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center for the Buckle Up for Life Community Grant and Gift of Safety to purchase and distribute car seats to families within the City of Hattiesburg; and authorize the Mayor to execute the same. No match is required.

18. **2026-349** Acknowledge the request for renewal of an appropriation from the Southern Mississippi Symphony Orchestra and the Arts Institute of Mississippi in the amount of \$30,000.00 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year and authorize issuance of a manual check for the same.

19. **2026-380** Acknowledge bids received on May 7th, 2026 for the Fourth St Improvements Phase IV (38th to 34th) and accept bid from R&J Construction as the best and lowest bid and authorize the Mayor to execute contracts upon preparation.

20. **2026-385** Authorize the mayor to execute the related documents between the City of Hattiesburg and Precision Communications, Inc. for bi-annual services associated with the city's tornado siren system in the amount of \$11,810.00.

21. **2026-388** Authorize the mayor to enter into negotiations with and execute a Professional Services Agreement and related documents between the City of Hattiesburg and Allen Engineering and Science, for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) engineering consultant services, pursuant to the Request for Qualifications conducted by the city.

ROUTINE AGENDA

1. **2026-389** Acknowledge receipt of request filed by Louis Gagnet to appeal the Hattiesburg Planning Commission's action on the petitions filed by The Housing Authority for the City of Hattiesburg/Judy Mellard, Applicants, to close a portion of Kamper Street between Briarfield Street and E 2nd Street and a portion of E 3rd Street between Ryan Street and Gordon Street (Ward 2, Forrest County) and to alter a platted subdivision known as the Hardy and Scott Survey of the City of Hattiesburg Subdivision and request approval for a preliminary plat (Ward 2, Forrest County). The Hattiesburg Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the petition on May 6th, 2026. Set a public hearing before the City Council on June 15, 2026, at 4:00 pm, and authorize the publication of a Public Notice setting an Appeal Public Hearing.

2. **2026-365** Acknowledge the Hattiesburg Planning Commission's decision to approve a variance from Article 6, Section E of the Flood Ordinance, which states that qualifying historic structures may apply for a flood variance from the requirement to elevate or flood-proof the structure, for a structure at 213 Main Street (PPIN 18526, Forrest County, Ward 4).

3. **2026-375** Approve and authorize issuance of manual checks for CDBG/HOME Claims per attached.

4. **2026-386** Acknowledge receipt of two quote bids for the bids for the City of Hattiesburg Parking Garage Gutter Replacement Project and accept the bid of Eddie Pearson Roofing in the amount of \$52,365.00 as the best bid received (two-quote bids for construction)

5. **2026-387** Approve claims docket for the period ending May 15, 2026.

In Memoriam:

- Mr. Gerald S. Britt
- Mr. Ezekiel “Sonny” Jordan, III

Meeting Adjourn