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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

- p. 122-123*

1. 2026-271

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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.
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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).
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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).
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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%.
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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.
- p. 124-125*

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
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8. 2026-373

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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

- p.* 126-127 **11. 2026-374** 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.
- p.* 127 **12. 2026-378** 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.
- p.* 127 **13. 2026-381** 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.
- p.* 127-128 **14. 2026-350** 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.
- p.* 128 **15. 2026-362** 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 Festival South in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00. Authorize issuance of manual check for the same.
- p.* 128 **16. 2026-384** 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.
- p.* 128 **17. 2026-388** 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.
- p.* 128 **18. 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.
- p.* 129 **19. 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.
- p.* 129 **20. 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.
- p.* 129 **21. 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.
- p.* 130 **22. 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

- p.* 130 **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.
- p.* 130 **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).
- p.* 130 **3. 2026-375** Approve and authorize issuance of manual checks for CDBG/HOME Claims per attached.
- p.* 130 **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)
- p.* 131 **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

Call to Order

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hattiesburg City Council held a **regular meeting at 5:00 PM on May 19, 2026**, in the **Council Chambers at City Hall**, *this being the reconvened session of the recessed meeting held on May 18, 2026.*

In attendance were Mayor Toby Barker and members of the City Council Jeffrey George, Ward 1 (via teleconference); Eric Boney, Ward 2; LeAnn Vance, Ward 3; Dave Ware, Ward 4 (via teleconference); 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.

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

The prayer was given by *Officer David Matos*.

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

Presentation Agenda

The PRESENTATION AGENDA came before the Council.

The Mayor presented the following members of the Mayor's Youth Council with a Certificate of Recognition:

Sophomores:

- *Angus Van Orsdol*
- *Emery Dickerson*
- *Kate Jackson*
- *Peyton Waller*
- *Baleigh Duncan*
- *George Morris McNease*
- *Lacy Gray Montgomery*
- *Riley Shows*
- *Elizabeth Shemper*
- *Gretchen McClure*
- *Liv Reid*

Juniors:

- *Aiden Le*
- *Aubrey Kent*
- *Caroline Calhoun*
- *Christopher Veal*
- *Hannah G. Barquero*
- *Joseph Nichols, Jr.*
- *Leila Allen*
- *Peacy Richardson*
- *Torrin Green*
- *Akayliah Donaldson*
- *Becker Crimmins*
- *Caroline Moore*
- *Connor McClelland*
- *Harris Curry*
- *Kenya Morris*
- *Merry McKean Strickland*
- *Price Denham*
- *Vivi Bishop*
- *Amaria Bowie*
- *Cal Boyd*
- *Christina Kahr*
- *Fengbo Shen*
- *Hector Lopez*
- *Kye Herring*
- *Monserrath Correa-Gaspar*
- *Raniah Johnson*

Seniors:

- *Amari Walker*
- *Carmen Kelly*
- *Eva Lewis*
- *Jamie McCullum*
- *Julia Odom*
- *Kierstin Polk*
- *Madeline Carter*
- *Mia Cargill*
- *Olivia Beyer*
- *Robert Schwartz*
- *Anna Gray*
- *Cooper Penn*
- *Frances Vi Cruthirds*
- *Jerry Johnson*
- *Kendall Ellis*
- *Louis Schramm*
- *Madelyn Reed*
- *Moriah Vickers*
- *Reagan Donaldson*
- *Samuel Garcia*
- *Burn Curry*
- *Dallaz Scott*
- *Izzy Reed*
- *Joanna Flores Perez*
- *Kenzley Tyler*
- *Lyric Walker*
- *Malaysia Wilson*
- *Myah Eaton*
- *Reese Tyrone*
- *Tykeria Mclaughlin*

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 Vance to APPROVE the 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

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

There being none, the minutes were APPROVED as presented.

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| 2026-426 | Approve the minutes for the May 4 & 5, 2026 meetings of the City Council. |
| <u>Attachments:</u> | <u>05-04-2026 PH, AR, Mins.</u> <u>05-05-2026 XS Mins.,</u> |

POLICY AGENDA

THE POLICY AGENDA was then considered.

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| I. 2026-271 | 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 7, 2026. |
| [Appeal-DENIED] | |
| <i>Adopted Order to deny appeal.</i> | |
| <u>Attachments:</u> | <u>409 Court Street- Application CC</u> <u>409 Court Street-Alley Closure-01-29-26-PRE-APP NOTES</u> <u>Item B Staff Report- 409 Court Street- Alley Vacation</u> <u>EXHIBIT Alleys - Historic Context Statement 2026</u> <u>Exhibit B-1</u> <u>Exhibit B-2</u> <u>Appeal Filed, Appeal Supporting Doc</u> <u>Minutes- April 2026- HPC (1)</u> <u>Ordinance - Vacate Alley (Court Street)</u> |

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

to TAKE FROM THE TABLE: an Ordinance to vacate a 150-foot portion of an alley between Walnut and Court Street, more specifically between 409 and 407 Court Street in the Hattiesburg Historic Neighborhood (*tabled at the May 5, 2026, Council Meeting*).

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

A MOTION was made by Council President Ware and seconded by Council Member Brown

to ADOPT an ORDER DENYING the APPEAL for vacating a 150-foot portion of an alley between Walnut and Court Street, more specifically between 409 and 407 Court Street.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| <p>2. 2026-368 [ORD#3412] <i>[rezone request – approved]</i></p> | <p>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.</p> |
| | <p>Attachments: <u>Item G and H Staff Report- 18 Classic Drive- Zoning Change and Subdivision Request</u> <u>18 Classic Drive-Application</u> <u>Site Plan</u> <u>PPIN 9514-Rezoning-03-12-26-PRE APP NOTES</u> <u>ORDINANCE: 18 Classic Drive- Zoning Change Ordinance_rezone A-1 to A-2</u> <u>Minutes- May 2026- HPC</u></p> |

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

to **ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3412**, for a zone change from A-1 to A-2 for a property located at 18 Classic Drive (PPIN 9514).

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| <p>3. 2026-369 <i>[preliminary plat – approved]</i></p> | <p>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).</p> |
| | <p>Attachments: <u>Item G and H Staff Report- 18 Classic Drive- Zoning Change & Subdivision Request</u> <u>18 Classic Drive-Application</u> <u>Site Plan</u> <u>Minutes- May 2026- HPC</u></p> |

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

to **ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION to APPROVE** a preliminary plat for a major subdivision for a property located at 18 Classic Drive (PPIN 9514).

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| <p>4. 2026-366 <i>[conditional use request – approved with no conditions]</i></p> | <p>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: To require R-3 Zoning Buffer Requirements for landscaping around the property (LDC Table 7.11.13).</p> |
| | <p>Attachments: <u>Doleac Application- Public Hearing</u> <u>Doleac Site plan</u> <u>Equipment Storage Lot-03-19-26-PRE APP NOTES</u> <u>Item E Staff Report- Doleac- Conditional Use Request</u> <u>Minutes- May 2026- HPC</u></p> |

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

to **ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE** the conditional use request for dustless gravel for outdoor equipment storage for a property located at 1725 Byron Street (PPIN 23329), *with no conditions*.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| <p>5. 2026-371</p> <p><i>[all listed variances – approved]</i></p> | <p>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).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 a rear lot area to instead allow for 100%. <p>Attachments: <u>Item B Staff Report- Doleac Storage</u> <u>Doleac Application- Public Hearing</u> <u>Doleac Site plan</u> <u>Minutes- May 2026- BOA</u></p> |
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A MOTION was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Member Boney

to **ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION to APPROVE** the following variances at a B-5 zoned property located at 1725 Byron Street (PPIN 23329):

- Approval of an 8-foot fence height in the front yard.
- Approval to allow 100% of the side and rear lot area for outdoor equipment storage space.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| <p>6. 2026-367</p> <p><i>[conditional use request – approved with listed conditions]</i></p> | <p>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:</p> <p>Attachments: <u>Item F Staff Report- 1601 Corrine Street- Conditional Use Request</u> <u>Corinne Street- Application</u> <u>2026-03-24 DJ Shuttle & Tour Site Plan Submittal V2</u> <u>1601 Corinne Street-DJ Shuttle-01-08-26-PRE APP NOTES</u> <u>Minutes- May 2026- HPC</u></p> |
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A MOTION was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Member Boney

to **ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION to APPROVE** the conditional use request for "automotive sales and rentals" for a property located at 1601 Corinne Street (PPIN 17592) 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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| <p>7. 2026-370</p> <p>TABLED <i>until next Council meeting {June 2, 2026}</i></p> | <p>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).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Lot 1 (north)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 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 |
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- 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%

Attachments: Item A Staff Report- Miller Street
609 Miller St. Public Hearing Application - Rev 1 - 01-27-2026
Site Plan - Preliminary - Close View
609 Miller Street-01-16-25-NOTES
609 Miller Street-02-12-26-PRE APP NOTES
Minutes- May 2026- BOA

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

to **TABLE** the following requested variances for a proposed subdivision and house construction for an R-1C zoned property located on the corner of Miller Street and Stadium Drive (PPIN 26645) *until the next Council Meeting on June 2, 2026*, because the applicant was unable to be reached to answer questions:

- 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%

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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).
[variance request – approved]

Attachments: Item D Staff Report- 4879 Hwy 49- Keith Co
Keith So Hwy 49 S--Application
CIVIL DRAFT SITE PLAN Keithco Stokes Dr
Hwy 49 S- Keiths Fueling Station- 03-26-26-SITE PLAN REVIEW NOTES
Minutes- May 2026- BOA

A **MOTION** was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Member Vance

to **ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE** a variance for a 50-foot two-way driveway width for property located at 4879 Highway 49 (PPINs 27634, 27635, and 27636).

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

- 9. **2026-376**
[RES #2026-94-97] 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 05 19 2026 \(\)](#)
 - 1. [0 7th St - PPIN 25849 - Adjudication Resolution](#)
 - 2. [210 S 34th Ave - Adjudication Resolution](#)
 - 3. [523 Louise St - Adjudication Resolution](#)
 - 4. [112 Kensington Dr - Adjudication Resolution](#)

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

to **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 94 through RESOLUTION NO. 97** 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.

| RES #2026-94-97 | Owner | Address | PPIN |
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| #2026-94 | Gates Farms Attn: Norma Gates | 0 7th Street | 25849 |
| #2026-95 | Philip and Elise Dickerson | 210 South 34th Avenue | 22645 |
| #2026-96 | S Lavon Evans Jr Realty, LLC | 523 Louise Street | 19604 |
| #2026-97 | Property Savers LLC | 112 Kensington Drive | 12743 |

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

- 10. **2026-377**
[RES #2026-98] 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.

Attachments: [Request to Set Public Hearing – CE 05 19 2026](#)
[Set 05 19 2026 - Blank Resolution Pages for Group 06 15 2026](#)

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

to **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-98** setting a Public Hearing on Monday, June 15, 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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

- 11. **2026-374**
[RES #2026-99] 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.

Attachments: [Resolution Draft LWCF](#)
[LWCF 2026 Application](#)

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

to **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2026-99** 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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| 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. |
| | <u>Attachments:</u> | <u>SSCR 2026</u> |

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

to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| 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. |
| | <u>Attachments:</u> | <u>Agreement</u> <u>Executed Subrecipient Agreement with Breakthrough Community Services, Inc., - utility assistance for eligible seniors</u> |

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

to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

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| 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 Festival South in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00. Authorize issuance of manual check for the same. |
| | <u>Attachments:</u> | <u>Hattiesburg Concert Association Agreement 5.5.26</u> <u>Hattiesburg Concert Association Agreement 5.5.26</u> <u>Executed Agreement with Hattiesburg Concert Association for sponsorship FestivalSouth and other events</u> |

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

to **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 Festival South in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00; and **AUTHORIZE** issuance of manual check for the same.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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.

Attachments: [Request from Chief](#)
[Quote from Motorola Watch Guard](#)
[Motorola Sole Source](#)

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

to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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.

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

to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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.

Attachments: [BUFL-NOFO 26](#)

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

to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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.
- Attachments: [Dean_FestivalSouth_request_03.27.26](#)

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

to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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.

Attachments: [A - Checklist to Award Evaluation of Bids Exhibit 1 MDOT Concurr Request Ltr PE Funds Reimbursement Barnett Concrete JW Chain R & J RJM McQueen](#)

A **MOTION** was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Member Vance

to **ACKNOWLEDGE** bids received on May 7th,2026 for the Fourth St Improvements Phase IV (38th to 34th); **ACCEPT** bid from R&J Construction as the best and lowest bid; and **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor to execute contracts upon preparation.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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.

Attachments: [Precision Executed Agreement with Precision Communications, Inc. - tornado siren system](#)

A **MOTION** was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Member Vance

to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (*via teleconference*), Boney, Vance, Ware (*via teleconference*) and Brown

Nays: 0

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.
- Attachments: [AllenES MS4 Engineering Consultant Services Proposal 031226 MS4 Engineering Consultant Services - Neel-Schaffer, Inc.](#)

A MOTION was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Member Boney to **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.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

ROUTINE AGENDA

THE ROUTINE AGENDA came before the Council.

A MOTION was made by Council Member Brown and seconded by Council Member Vance to **APPROVE** the Routine Agenda, including the claims docket.

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

Yeas: 5 — George (via teleconference), Boney, Vance, Ware (via teleconference) and Brown

Nays: 0

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).
- Attachments: [Item D Staff Report- 213 Main Street- Historic Floor Variance Application](#)
[213 N Main Street-Sckiets Building Renovations-11-13-25-NOTES](#)
3. 2026-375 Approve and authorize issuance of manual checks for CDBG/HOME Claims per attached.
- Attachments: [Katie Dabbs - Form G702 G703 Pay App #9 - executed](#)
[Landry Lewis Germany - Invoice #16](#)
[Landry Lewis Germany - Invoice #17](#)
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)
- Attachments: [Stamped Two-Quote](#)

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

Attachments: DT 26.0515
DOCKET 26.0515

In Memoriam:

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

- Mr. Gerald S. Britt
- Mr. Ezekeil "Sonny" Jordan, III

Meeting Adjourn

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, Council President Ware declared the meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m. on this 19th day of May 2026, by unanimous consent.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council will be held on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CERTIFICATION

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council

APPROVE:


Council President

ATTEST AND CERTIFY:


City Clerk

APPROVE:


Mayor
