



**Tuesday, July 7, 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 June 15, 16 & 26, 2026 meetings of the City Council.

POLICY AGENDA

1. **2026-517** Approve Correction of April 6, 2026, Minutes Nunc Pro Tunc, previously approved on May 5, 2026.

2. **2026-518** Accept the Hattiesburg Historic Conservation Commission's decision to deny a request to paint brick on a structure for a property located at 2010 Brooklane Drive. The Hattiesburg Historic Conservation Commission voted to deny the petition on May 13th, 2026. The decision was appealed by Garrett and Devyn Wright on May 21, 2026.

3. **2026-547** Adopt an Ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 3060, adopted December 7, 2010, regulating the use of City streets by commercial trucks and designating permitted truck routes in the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

4. **2026-530** 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.

5. **2026-537** Approve Release of Lien documents filed in relation to Code Enforcement clean-up assessments per attached memo, authorize the Mayor to execute and record the same.

6. **2026-505** Adopt a Resolution approving the request for tax exemption filed by 28th Office, LLC for ad valorem tax exemption, except school district ad valorem taxes, for property

located in the Historic Preservation District at 622 Corinne Street in the amount of \$70,959.02, for a period of seven (7) years, beginning January 1, 2027, and ending December 31, 2033; as authorized by Section 17-21-5 of the MS Code.

7. **2026-558** Adopt a Resolution approving settlement of a doubtful and disputed claim at PPIN 14951 as attached and authorize the issuance of a manual check for the same.

8. **2026-543** Adopt a Resolution declaring a portion of Forrest County Parcel PPIN 39566 necessary for public use, establishing just compensation, authorizing the Mayor to make a fair market value offer related to the Elks Lake Road Bridge Replacement Project and authorize issuance of a manual check.

9. **2026-544** Adopt a Resolution declaring a portion of Forrest County parcels necessary for public use, establishing just compensation or waiver valuation, authorizing the Mayor to make a fair market value offer related to the Sullivan Drive Bridge Replacement Project and authorize issuance of a manual check.

10. **2026-541** Adopt a Resolution declaring surplus a certain parcel of City-owned property located at 418 Mobile Street, Parcel # 2-029G-03-552.00, and authorize sale and execution of a Quitclaim Deed in the amount of \$2,500.00 in accordance with 21-17-1; authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute any and all necessary documentation for the same.

11. **2026-546** Adopt a Resolution declaring Police Canine Ivy as surplus property, authorizing her removal from the Police Department Inventory and approving donation to her handler, Officer Austin Super.

12. **2026-553** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the donation of two previously declared surplus vehicles to the City of Lumberton, Mississippi, and authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to complete the transfer.

13. **2026-528** Adopt a Resolution authorizing payment of additional funds for the acquisition of certain properties as ordered in the Agreed Final Judgment entered by the Forrest County Court in Civil Action No. 25-566 and authorize the issuance of a manual check in payment thereof.

14. **2026-514** Approve Contractor and Owner Agreements according to the Emergency Roof Repair Initiative Manual and authorize the Mayor to execute the same in duplicate.

15. **2026-549** Approve a Professional Service agreement between the City of Hattiesburg and Allen Engineering and Science Inc. for services related to MS4 Compliance and authorize the Mayor to execute in duplicate.

16. **2026-545** Approve Professional Services Agreement with Shows, Dearman and Waits, Inc. for engineering services related to the McLeod Street Bridge Repair Project and authorize the Mayor to execute in duplicate.
17. **2026-533** Approve Supplemental Agreement No 1 with Grady Crawford Construction Co. for the West 7th Street Infrastructure Rehabilitation Project to adjust quantities to actuals and reduce the contract amount by \$15,296.55 for a final contract amount of \$3,765,228.95 and authorize the Mayor to execute in multiples; authorize the final acceptance, publication and closeout of the project; and authorize payments of the final pay applications.
18. **2026-535** Approve Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with Grady Crawford Construction Co. for the East 2nd Street Area Infrastructure Improvements Project to adjust quantities to actuals and reduce the contract amount by \$169,227.18 for a final contract amount of \$2,155,555.82 and authorize the Mayor to execute in multiples; authorize the final acceptance, publication and closeout of the project; and authorize payments of the final pay applications.
19. **2026-536** Acknowledge bids received June 18, 2026, for the River Avenue Pedestrian Bridge project; accept the bid from Chris Albritton Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$544,672.50, and authorize Mayor to execute the contract upon preparation.
20. **2026-539** Acknowledge receipt of closing documents for the Front Street Parklet project; approve Change Order No. 1 to adjust estimated quantities to actual quantities and reduce contract amount by \$14,958.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute it; approve payment of final pay application to Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland as surety for Colony Construction, LLC; Authorize publication of Notice of Final Settlement; and authorize final acceptance of the project.
21. **2026-507** Acknowledge receipt of a letter received from the Department of Revenue granting ad valorem tax exemption to Zeon Chemicals, L.P., for a period not to exceed nine (9) years, commencing December 31, 2025, with a true total value of \$860,020.00; adopt the final order allowing the same.
22. **2026-508** Acknowledge receipt of a letter received from the Department of Revenue granting ad valorem tax exemption to Wis-Pak of Hattiesburg, LLC, for a period not to exceed nine (9) years, commencing December 31, 2025, with a true total value of \$1,129,372.00; adopt the final order allowing the same.
23. **2026-509** Acknowledge receipt of a letter received from the Department of Revenue granting ad valorem tax exemption to Resinall Corporation, for a period not to exceed nine (9) years, commencing December 31, 2025, with a true total value of \$739,411.00; adopt the final order allowing the same.

24. **2026-510** Acknowledge receipt of a letter received from the Department of Revenue granting ad valorem tax exemption to Mississippi Tank Company, for a period not to exceed nine (9) years, commencing December 31, 2025, with a true total value of \$167,533.00; adopt the final order allowing the same.

25. **2026-511** Acknowledge receipt of a letter received from the Department of Revenue granting ad valorem tax exemption to Georgia Pacific Consumer Operations, for a period not to exceed nine (9) years, commencing December 31, 2025, with a true total value of \$4,132,782.00; adopt the final order allowing the same.

26. **2026-512** Acknowledge receipt of a letter received from the Department of Revenue granting ad valorem tax exemption to BP Rex Closures, LLC, for a period not to exceed nine (9) years, commencing December 31, 2025, with a true total value of \$731,438.00; adopt the final order allowing the same.

27. **2026-540** Designate the Back Roads & Back Stories event, to be held July 18, 2026, at Midtown Green Park, as a city-approved event for the purposes described in Ordinance No. 3402.

28. **2026-548** Authorize submission of a grant application to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) FY26 Treatment Drug Courts expansion program for \$400,000. No match is required.

29. **2026-501** Authorize submission of grant application to the Mississippi Arts Commission (MAC) FY27 Building Fund for the Arts.

30. **2026-557** Ratify and confirm the Mayor's re-appointment of Eric Steele to the Hattiesburg School Board for a five (5) year term beginning March 7, 2026, and ending March 6, 2031.

ROUTINE AGENDA

1. **2026-529** Ratification of an executed grant application submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration for the Airport Improvement Program.

2. **2026-538** Acknowledge receipt of the Two-Quote Docket.

3. **2026-513** Approve and authorize issuance of manual checks for CDBG/HOME Claims attached.

4. **2026-533** Approve plans and specifications for the Tipton Street Lighting Project and authorize advertisement for bids.

5. **2026-534** Approve plans and specifications for the Gordon's Creek Linear Park - River District Project and authorize advertisement for bids.

6. **2026-542** Approve claims docket or the period ending June 30, 2026.

Budget Presentation

1. **2026-559** Water & Sewer Department – presented by Alan Howe, Director.

In Memoriam:

- Mrs. Lettie Lane Boney Taylor
- Mr. Richard C. Grant, Sr.
- Ms. Hilda Jeanette Carpenter
- Ms. Alaija Rahyn Brown
- Ms. Bernice Larkin
- Mrs. Linda Reed Johnson
- Mr. Jolly Walter Matthews, III
- Mr. John L. Dixon
- Ms. Andretta Marie English
- Mrs. Betty Lynn Jones Varner
- Mr. Charlie Vinson Jones

Meeting Adjourn