

**RECESSED SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2014 3:45 P.M.**

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BE IT REMEMBERED that a Special Meeting of the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, was reconvened in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 3:45 p.m. on October 20, 2014, being the third Monday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present: Council Members: De'Keither Stamps, President, Ward 4; Melvin Priester, Jr., Ward 2; Charles Tillman, Ward 5; Tyrone Hendrix, Ward 6 and Margaret Barrett-Simon, Ward 7. Directors: Tony Yarber, Mayor; Kristi Moore, Interim City Clerk; Angela Harris, Deputy City Clerk; Alice Lattimore, Deputy City Clerk and Monica Joiner, City Attorney.

Absent: Council Members: LaRita Cooper-Stokes, Ward 3

President Stamps reconvened the previous Council Meeting that was recessed on October 15, 2014.

President Stamps requested that the Clerk read Agenda Item No. 17 that was previously held during the October 15, 2014 Special Council Meeting:

ORDER AUTHORIZING AN ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE JACKSON CITY COUNCIL CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCILMAN QUENTIN WHITWELL AND SETTING TUESDAY, _____, AS THE DATE FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE WARD 1 CITY COUNCIL POSITION.

WHEREAS, Jackson City Councilman Quentin Whitwell submitted to the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, a letter of resignation as the councilman of Ward 1 of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, effective October 8, 2014, thereby creating a vacancy on the City Council for Ward 1; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 23-15-857 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, the City Council is required to enter on the minutes of the City Council an Order for an election to be held to fill the vacancy for the minutes of the City Council an Order for an election to be held to fill the vacant office when an unexpired term exceeds six (6) months; and

WHEREAS, the current term of the Ward 1 position is set to expire on or about June 30, 2017, which is in excess of six (6) months from the effective date of the vacancy stated herein; and

WHEREAS, Section 23-15-857 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, further requires the City Council to set the date of an election to fill a vacancy on the council at the next regular meeting of the Council after such vacancy shall have occurred or at a special meeting not later ten days after such vacancy, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, whichever shall occur first; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 23-15-857 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, the election to fill the vacancy shall be held on a date not less than thirty (30) days and not more than forty-five (45) days after the date upon which the Order for election is adopted; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jackson has determined that _____, shall be the date for a special election to fill the vacancy in the Ward 1 City Council position; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated of 1972, as amended, if a run-off election is necessary, it shall be held Tuesday, _____.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the City Clerk shall give notice of the election in the manner prescribed by law and shall immediately undertake all duties required by law to effectuate such election.

Council Member Tillman moved adoption; **Council Member Barrett-Simon** seconded.

Council Member Priester moved to amend the order to set the special election on December 2, 2014 and December 16, 2014 as a run-off if necessary. **Council Member Barrett-Simon** seconded to amend to set the special election on December 2, 2014 and December 16, 2014 as a run-off if necessary. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas- Barrett-Simon, Hendrix, Priester, Stamps and Tillman.
Nays- None.
Absent- Cooper-Stokes.

ORDER AUTHORIZING AN ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE JACKSON CITY COUNCIL CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCILMAN QUENTIN WHITWELL AND SETTING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2016 AS THE DATE FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE WARD 1 CITY COUNCIL POSITION.

WHEREAS, Jackson City Councilman Quentin Whitwell submitted to the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, a letter of resignation as the councilman of Ward 1 of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, effective October 8, 2014, thereby creating a vacancy on the City Council for Ward 1; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 23-15-857 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, the election to fill the vacancy shall be held on a date not less than thirty (30) days and not more than forty-five (45) days after the date upon which the Order for election is adopted; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jackson has determined that December 2, 2014, shall be the date for a special election to fill the vacancy in the Ward 1 City Council position; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated of 1972, as amended, if a run-off election is necessary, it shall be held Tuesday, December 16, 2014.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the City Clerk shall give notice of the election in the manner prescribed by law and shall immediately undertake all duties required by law to effectuate such election.

Thereafter, **President Stamps** called for a vote on the main motion as amended:

Yeas- Barrett-Simon, Hendrix, Priester, Stamps and Tillman.

Nays- None.


Absent- Cooper-Stokes.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the next Regular Meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 and at 4:06 p.m., the Council stood adjourned.

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

APPROVED:


MAYOR, 11.5.14
DATE
