



# 2020 City of Jackson LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

The City of Jackson supports the following proposed legislative initiatives for consideration during the 2020 Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### Real-Time Command Center - \$5,000,000

The City requests funds for a technology driven command center to improve public safety and to increase the Jackson Police Department's policing, response time and case solving rate.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### Funding for JXN 200 Project - \$10,000,000

The City requests funds for renovations and upgrades to:

- Russell C. Davis Planetarium
- New Downtown Library
- Thalia Mara Hall, Phase II
- Smith Park

This will foster a more vibrant and inviting environment and improve the entertainment scene for citizens, tourists, and industry groups. Funding is requested to be split between the 2020 and 2021 session resulting in \$5,000,000 per session.

### Land Bank

The City requests the authority to establish Land Banks for the purpose of acquiring, managing, maintaining, and facilitating the redevelopment of underutilized, vacant, blighted, and tax delinquent properties.



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## INFRASTRUCTURE

### Funding for Maintenance Equipment - \$500,000

The City requests funds to purchase Right-of-Way maintenance equipment for the beautification of right-of-ways and entry points.

## FISCAL MATTERS

### Fire Fee in lieu of Taxes

The City requests the authority to levy a Fire Fee applicable to all state-owned buildings within the city limits in lieu of taxes to enhance fire services.

### Water & Sewer Utilities

The City requests the authority to adjust, release, or extinguish indebtedness from a customer's water and sewer bill under certain circumstances.

### Infrastructure Funding

The City requests legislation to eliminate the sunset clause in the Special 1% Sales Tax Legislation for municipalities to provide an expansion of opportunities for leveraging proceeds to address infrastructure needs.

## LANGUAGE CLARIFICATION

### Transportation

The City requests legislation to clarify the definition of the term "scooter" so that modes of transportation are inclusive.

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