BE IT REMEMBERED that a Special Meeting of the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, was called by a majority of the City Council Members and notices having been placed by the City Clerk at 12:50 p.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2020, in the Clerk of Council's Office, electronic notifications to all Council Members', on the City's website and on the public bulletin board in City Hall, relative to (1) Resolution of the governing authorities of the City of Jackson authorizing the Mayor to execute documents approving the City of Jackson public transit (JTRAN) public transportation agency safety plan (PTASP). (2) Discussion: Contractual agreement with Zooceanarium for Jackson Zoo. The meeting was convened in the Council Chambers located at 219 S. President Street at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 10, 2020 being the second Thursday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present:

Council Members: Aaron Banks, Council President (via teleconference), Ward 6; Charles Tillman, Vice-President Ward 5; Ashby Foote, (via teleconference), Ward 1 and Virgi Lindsay (via teleconference), Ward 7. Directors: Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor; Shanekia Mosley-Jordan, Clerk of the Council; John W. Carroll, Sr., Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Monica Allen, Special Assistant to the City Attorney (via teleconference).

Absent:

De'Keither Stamps, Ward 4 and Kenneth Stokes, Ward 3.

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The meeting was called to order by President Aaron Banks.

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RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF JACKSON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS APPROVING THE CITY OF JACKSON PUBLIC TRANSIT (JTRAN) PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY SAFETY PLAN (PTASP).

WHEREAS, safety is a core business function of all public transportation providers and should be systematically applied to every aspect of service delivery, as the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has adopted the principles and methods of Safety Management Systems (SMS) as the basis enhancing the safety of public transportation in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2018, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Final Rule, which requires certain operators of public transportation systems that receive federal funds under FTA's Urbanized Area Formula Grants to develop safety plans that include the processes and procedures to implement Safety Management Systems (SMS); and

WHEREAS, the rule applies to all operators of public transportation systems that are recipients and sub-recipients of federal financial assistance under the Urbanized Area Formula Program (49 U.S.C. Section 5307). The plan must include safety performance targets. Transit operators also must certify they have a safety plan in place meeting the requirements of the rule by December 31, 2020. The plan must be updated and certified by the transit agency annually and ongoing basis in order to continue compliance with the PTASP final rule; and

WHEREAS, PTASP must document the processes and activities related to Safety Management System (SMS) implementation and include performance targets based on the safety performance measures established under the National Public Transportation Safety Plan, with those targets being shared with the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) and Central Mississippi Planning and Development District the MPO (CMPDD); and

WHEREAS, the PTASP, and subsequent updates, must be signed by the Accountable Executive and approved by the agency's governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authorities that the Mayor is authorized to execute the 2020 City of Jackson Public Transit (JTRAN) Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) consistent with and in compliance with the requirements of said plan as pinned in the Fiscal Year 2020 Certification & Assurances on March 18, 2020.

Council Member Tillman moved adoption; President Banks seconded.

the Council stood adjourned.

PREPARED BY:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Lindsay and Tillman. Nays – None. Absent – Stamps and Stokes.
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There came for Discussion Agenda Item No. 2:
DISCUSSION: CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH ZOOCEANARIUM FOR JACKSON ZOO: President Banks recognized Dr. Robert Blaine, Chief Administrative Officer, who gave an overview of said item and introduced Chris Davis of ZoOceanarium. Chris Davis gave a detailed overview, and answered questions posed by the Council Members. ***********************************
There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the next Special Council meeting at 10:00 a.m. on December 22, 2020. At 2:10 p.m.,

APPROVED:

ATTEST:
