

**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 Clerk of Council at 11:15 a.m. on Thursday, April 29, 2021, 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 the City Hall, relative to: (1) Discussion: resources/plan and involvement from the metro area clergy to help address crime in the City Of Jackson; (2) Discussion: Resources/plan from Hinds County to help address crime in the City of Jackson; (3) Discussion: Resources/plan from the State of Mississippi to help address crime in the City of Jackson; (4) Discussion: Resources/plan from the Federal Government level to help address crime in the City of Jackson; (5) Discussion: Grant opportunities with homeland security and Department of Justice to supplement additional officers and payment; (6) Discussion: status of grants; (7) Discussion: Request from MS Bureau of Narcotics and state programs to help address crime in the City of Jackson; and (8) Order revising the fiscal year 2020-2021 budget of the Jackson Police Department. The meeting was convened at New Horizon International Church located at 1770 Ellis Ave, Jackson, Mississippi 39204 at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2021, being the first Friday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present: Council Members: Aaron Banks, Council President, Ward 6; Ashby Foote, Ward 1; Angelique Lee, Ward 2; Kenneth Stokes, Ward 3; De'Keither Stamps, Ward 4; and Virgi Lindsay, Ward 7. Directors: Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor; Shanekia Mosley-Jordan, Clerk of the Council; Constance White., Chief Deputy Clerk of Council; and Monica Allen, City Attorney.

Absent: Charles Tillman, Vice-President, Ward 5.

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The meeting was called to order by **President Aaron Banks.**

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The invocation was offered by **Bishop Ronnie Crudup Sr. of New Horizon International Church.**

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**President Aaron Banks** gave opening comments.

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**President Aaron Banks** recognized **Safiya Omari, Chief of Staff**, who gave opening comments on behalf of **Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba.**

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**DISCUSSION: RESOURCES/PLAN AND INVOLVEMENT FROM THE METRO AREA CLERGY TO HELP ADDRESS CRIME IN THE CITY OF JACKSON:**

**President Banks** recognized **Bishop Ronnie Crudup Sr.** who expressed concerns and sentiments of crime in Jackson. **Bishop Ronnie Crudup Sr.** stated that the Metro Area Clergy are willing to help, and will work together to help fight crime.

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**President Banks** recognized **Bishop F.L. Blount, Representative with Healing the City Coalition**, who expressed concerns in regards to implementing a plan to address the city's crime by using closed Jackson Public Schools to house programs aimed at providing an array of services to include counseling, after-school activities, and transitional housing for former offenders.

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**President Banks** recognized **Bishop Dwayne K. Pickett**, who expressed concerns regarding the lack of unity among City Leaders. He stated that every entity should come together and help address the city's crime issue. He stated that State, City, and church all play a part.

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**President Banks** requested that Agenda Items No. 4 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the following was presented.

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**DISCUSSION: RESOURCES/PLAN FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LEVEL TO HELP ADDRESS CRIME IN THE CITY OF JACKSON: President Banks** recognized **Congressman Bennie Thompson**, who expressed concerns in regards to federal programs that are available to help municipalities with expenses to help increase efficiencies when it comes to combatting crime. **Congressman Thompson** stated that there are funds to help with installing security cameras, training officers, etc. He encouraged City leaders to visit [Grants.gov](https://www.Grants.gov) to learn about federal assistance as well as develop a utilization plan. **Congressman Thompson** also discussed taking advantage of disaster relief funds.

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**President Banks** recognized **Darren Lamarea, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi**, who stated that a representative from his office meets with a JPD representative weekly to discuss crime. He also discussed the COPS Program support for hiring officers. He expressed ways JPD can be supported using funds from Project Safe Neighborhoods.

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**President Banks** requested that Agenda Item No. 8 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the following was presented.

**ORDER REVISING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET OF THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT. President Banks** stated that said item would be tabled until a later date.

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**President Banks** requested that Agenda Item No. 3 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the following was presented.

**DISCUSSION: RESOURCES/PLAN FROM THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO HELP ADDRESS CRIME IN THE CITY OF JACKSON: President Banks** recognized **Colonel Steven Maxwell, MS Bureau of Narcotics Director**, who expressed concerns with working together with all entities. He encouraged citizens to report any suspicious activity happening in neighborhoods. Call local Crime Stoppers at 1-800-844-6272. This is also a tip line.

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**President Banks** recognized **Keith Davis, Deputy Commissioner of Operations at the Public Safety**, who stated that he stands ready to assist JPD's Chief as he combats crime in the City of Jackson. He also encouraged the use of the Crime Stoppers tip line. He said citizens may also email him with concerns at [keithdavis@dps.ms.gov](mailto:keithdavis@dps.ms.gov).

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**President Banks** recognized **Christy Ann Williams, MS Department of Corrections**, expressed concerns about early intervention in mental health in the community. She feels that in order for the bottom to succeed the top has to be willing to help. She would like to work with the City Council and other departments within the City to get the proper training to recognize and assist others with getting help for mental health problems.

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**Note: Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba** joined the meeting.

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**President Banks** recognized **Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba**, who gave brief remarks regarding the Special Council Meeting, Tackling Crime.

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**President Banks** requested that Agenda Item No. 2 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the following was presented.

**DISCUSSION: RESOURCES/PLAN FROM HINDS COUNTY TO HELP ADDRESS CRIME IN THE CITY OF JACKSON: President Banks recognized Jody Owens, Hinds County District Attorney, who expressed the need for more interaction with City Council members. He was concerned that a meeting had not happened earlier. District Attorney Owens stated that he needed more resources to be able to prosecute more cases.**

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**President Banks** recognized **Gerald Mumford, Hinds County Attorney**, who expressed the need to focus more on our youth in the city. He would also like to encourage Hinds County citizens to participate in jury duty.

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**President Banks** recognized **Lee Vance, Hinds County Sheriff**, who stated that budgets are limiting the ability to sustain plans for housing offenders. Room at the county detention center isn't sufficient. Vance also expressed the need for more parental involvement with the youth. He also stands ready to assist Chief Davis and his officers with enforcing the law in the city.

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**President Banks** recognized **David Archie, Hinds County Board of Supervisors, Vice-President**, who expressed his commitment to help fight crime. Mr. Archie would like to continue working together to use available resources.

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**President Banks** recognized **Credell Calhoun, Hinds County Board of Supervisors, President**, who expressed concerns about unity from all entities. He encouraged the implementation of a re-entry program and getting citizens back into the workforce.

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**President Banks** recognized **James Davis, Chief of Police**, who gave closing remarks. **Chief Davis** stated that working together will make a difference in fighting crime. He also expressed his sincere thanks to all who participated, and expressed his willingness to work with all entities.

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There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the next Regular Council meeting at 10:00 a.m. on May 11, 2021. At 9:04 p.m., the Council stood adjourned.

PREPARED BY:

*Shane Kiz*  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:

*Alvin P. Jones*  
MAYOR, DATE 7/19/2021

ATTEST:

*Shirley Hanner*  
CITY CLERK

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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021 10:00 A.M.**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that a Regular Meeting of the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, was convened at City Hall at 10:00 a.m. on May 11, 2021, being the second Tuesday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present: Council Members: Aaron Banks, Council President, Ward 6; Charles Tillman, Vice President, Ward 5; Ashby Foote, Ward 1; Angelique Lee, Ward 2; Kenneth Stokes, Ward 3; De'Keither Stamps, Ward 4; Virgi Lindsay, Ward 7. Directors: Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor; Dr. Safiya Omari, Chief of Staff; Shanekia Mosley-Jordan, Clerk of the Council; Constance White, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Monica Allen, City Attorney.

Absent: None. \*\*\*\*\*

The meeting was called to order by **President Aaron Banks.**

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The invocation was offered by **Minister Shirley Harrington of Cade Chapel M.B. Church.**

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The Council recited the **Pledge of Allegiance.**

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**President Banks** requested that Agenda Item No. 11, 23 and 24 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

**ORDER APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF ADDENDUM TO AIRPORT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF/RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM, GRANT NO. 3-28-0037-059-2021; AND ADOPTING AND RATIFYING EXECUTION OF SAID AIRPORT CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM CONCESSIONS ADDENDUM BY THE MAYOR AND CITY ATTORNEY ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, AS OFFERED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR PURPOSES DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE JACKSON-MEDGAR WILEY EVERS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, TO PROVIDE RELIEF FROM RENT AND MINIMUM ANNUAL GUARANTEES OBLIGATIONS FOR ALL ELIGIBLE AIRPORT CONCESSIONS AT THE JACKSON-MEDGAR WILEY EVERS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.**

**WHEREAS**, the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (“JMAA”) has applied to the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”), for an addendum to AIRPORT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF/RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM, GRANT NO. 3-28-0037-059-2021 (the “GRANT”), for purposes directly related to the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (“JAN”), to provide relief from rent and minimum annual guarantees (“MAG”) obligations to JMAA from eligible airport concessions at JAN; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to JMAA’s application for a concessions addendum to the GRANT, the FAA offered JMAA “AIRPORT CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM CONCESSIONS ADDENDUM, NO. 3-28-0037-060-2021 (the “ADDENDUM”) in an amount not-to-exceed One Hundred Seventeen Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$117,583.00); and

**WHEREAS**, JMAA has resolved to accept the ADDENDUM, and has further authorized JMAA’s Chief Executive Officer and JMAA’s Counsel to execute certain documents and assurances as required by the FAA for release of the ADDENDUM funds; and