

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021 10:00 A.M.

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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 August 31, 2021, being the fifth Tuesday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

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

Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by **President Virgi Lindsay**.

The invocation was offered by **Aaron Banks, Councilman Ward 6**.

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

There came on for consideration Agenda Item No. 2, Public Hearing:

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
ESTABLISHING THE HONORARY RENAMING OF CARNATION STREET
FROM POCAHONTAS AVENUE TO HOLMES AVENUE TO REVEREND
FRANK WILBERT JAMES DRIVE.**

President Lindsay recognized **Walter James**, who spoke in favor of renaming Carnation Street from Pocahontas Avenue to Holmes Avenue to Reverend Frank Wilbert James Drive.

There was no opposition from the public.

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 8 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

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WHEREAS, the late Reverend Frank Wilbert James was a Man of God, Church Pastor, Baptist Fellowship organizer, an activist for justice, a husband, father, and a pillar of the community; and

WHEREAS, Reverend James has been an ordained preacher since 1959, he worked alongside Medgar Evers and was involved in the Civil Rights Movement; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of City of Jackson that this distinguished citizen and community leader be honored with the honorary renaming of this street designation in his honor; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Jackson City Council hereby honorary renames Carnation Street from Pocahontas Avenue to Holmes Avenue to Reverend Frank Wilbert James Drive.

SO ORDAINED this the 31st day of August, 2021.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Council Member Banks** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

There came on for consideration Agenda Item No. 3, Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI ESTABLISHING THE HONORARY RENAMING OF ORA BELL (MA BELL) WRIGHT DRIVE (FROM MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DRIVE TO FLORA STREET) TO BARBARA RAMSEY DRIVE.

There was no one who spoke in favor or opposition.

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 9 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI ESTABLISHING THE HONORARY RENAMING OF ORA BELL (MA BELL) WRIGHT DRIVE (FROM MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DRIVE TO FLORA STREET) TO BARBARA RAMSEY DRIVE.

WHEREAS, the member and mother of Mount Olive Church located on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and the owner of the only home located on Ora Bell (Ma Bell) Wright Drive, Mrs. Barbara Ramsey is a community treasure; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Barbara Ramsey deserves this honor for her community service and love for others; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Jackson that this distinguished citizen and community leader be honored with this honorary street designation in her honor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Jackson City Council hereby honorary renames Ora bell (Ma Bell) Wright Drive (From Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive to Flora Street) to Barbara Ramsey Drive.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Council Member Banks** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

There came on for Introduction Agenda Item No. 4:

ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 9, SECTION 2-331 OF THE JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES. **President Lindsay** stated that said item would be placed on the next Special Council agenda to be held on September 14, 2021.

There came on for Introduction Agenda Item No. 5:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF JACKSON CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN TO ADD THE JOB CLASSIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. President Lindsay stated that said item would be placed on the next Special Council agenda to be held on September 14, 2021.

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-336(6) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, Section 21-8-23 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended authorizes the Council to establish by ordinance municipal departments and allocate administrative functions, duties, and powers of the municipality among the departments; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance establishing municipal departments for the City of Jackson is codified at Chapter 2 Article IV Section 2-336 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-336 (6) outlines Personnel Management as a department and states the function as follows: *The personnel management department shall perform all personnel management functions including the administration of benefits;* and

WHEREAS, the Department of Personnel Management has emerged from simply performing functions of personnel management and the administration of benefits to human resource functioning; and

WHEREAS, the distinction between Human Resource and Personnel Management is Personnel Management focuses on the maintenance of all personnel and administrative systems while Human Resource focuses on a strategic approach by forecasting the organization's needs and continuously monitoring and adjusting all systems and processes; and

WHEREAS, another distinction is Personnel Management primarily focuses on ordinary activities, such as employee hiring, compensation, training, and harmony, while Human Resources considers employees as assets, which are to be valued, used and preserved; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by renaming the Department of Personnel Management and redefining its function;

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Department of Personnel Management be renamed the *Human Resources Department*, and the functions of department assigned as follows: *The Human Resources Department shall perform all human resource management functions including the administration of benefits.*

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that SECTION 2-336 (6) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, is hereby amended to read as follows: *Human Resources. The Human Resources Department shall perform all human resource management functions including the administration of benefits.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Ordinance Amending Section 2-336(6) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jackson, Mississippi shall become effective thirty (30) days following passage and publication.

President Lindsay moved adoption; Vice President Lee seconded.

President Lindsay recognized Toya Martin, Director of Personnel, who provided a brief overview on said item.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said item:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, and Lindsay.

Nays – Stokes.

Absent – None.

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ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF JACKSON CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN TO ADD JOB CLASSIFICATIONS EMERGENCY VEHICLE TECHNICIAN I; EMERGENCY VEHICLE TECH II; EMERGENCY VEHICLE TECHNICIAN MANAGER FOR THE DIVISION OF THE FIRE GARAGE IN THE JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Fire Department requested that the Department of Personnel Management conduct a salary survey on mechanic and fleet maintenance manager classifications that are more tailored to the Fire Garage division positions and its job duties; and

WHEREAS, the current positions, in the fire garage division, are Heavy Equipment Mechanic I, Heavy Equipment Mechanic II and Fleet Maintenance Manager. Those position job duties' are not specific to the Fire Garage division; and

WHEREAS, inquiries, for mechanic and fleet maintenance manager classifications that are specific to the Fire Department, were submitted to the following Southeastern cities: Savannah, Georgia; Frisco, Texas; and Plano, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the response from the Cities surveyed were that Emergency Vehicle Technician I, Emergency Vehicle Technician II and Emergency Vehicle Technician Manager are more tailored to the job duties performed in the City of Jackson Fire Department Fire Garage division; and

WHEREAS, the response from the Cities surveyed concerning the median salary paid for the position equivalent of the Emergency Vehicle Technician I was within the range of \$45,488.00-\$70,552.00; Emergency Vehicle Technician II was within the range of \$49,833.69-\$72,245.34 Emergency Vehicle Technician Manager was within the range of \$60,432.06 -\$87,626.50; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by adding the following positions to the current pay plan: Emergency Vehicle Technician I, Emergency Vehicle Technician II and Emergency Vehicle Technician Manager Classifications at a salary comparable to the compensation paid by other Southeastern cities such as those cited; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the job class: Emergency Vehicle Technician I, Emergency Vehicle Technician II and Emergency Vehicle Technician Manager be added to the pay plan. The range established for Emergency Vehicle Technician I be added as range 22 with annual compensation being between \$34,018.08-\$40,978.08. The range established for Emergency Vehicle Technician II be added as range 25 with annual compensation being between \$39,041.28-\$47,097.12. The range established for Emergency Vehicle Technician Manager be added as range 31 with annual compensation being between \$51,588.24-\$62,385.12; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Fire Department has informed the Department of Personnel Management that they have the monies in their budget to cover the recommended additions to the pay plan.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Pay Plan adopted by the City Council on September 22, 1998, found in the Minute Book 4Y, be further amended to add the of Emergency Vehicle Technician I pay range 22 (\$34,018.08-\$40,978.08); Emergency Vehicle Technician II pay range 25 \$39,041.28-\$47,097.12); Emergency Vehicle Technician Manager pay range 31 (\$51,588.24-\$62,385.12) to be effective immediately.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **Council Member Stokes** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 25952 to 26027 APPEARING AT PAGES 389 TO 429 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,568,627.42 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 25952 to 26027 appearing at pages 389 to 429, inclusive thereon in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$6,568,627.42 are hereby approved for payment and said amount is expressly appropriated for the immediate payment thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that there is appropriated from the various funds the sums necessary to be transferred to other funds for the purpose of paying the claims as follows:

FROM:	TO ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND
GENERAL FUND	2,745,092.42
TECHNOLOGY FUND	203,125.71
PARKS & RECR. FUND	58,926.45
LANDFILL SANITATION FUND	229,534.63
FIRE PROTECTION	171.90
NCSC SENIOR AIDES	68.66
STATE TORT CLAIMS FUND	123,352.39
WATER/SEWER OP & MAINT FUND	546,529.28
WATER/SEWER CAPITAL IMPR FUND	249,313.50
EMPLOYEES GROUP INSURANCE FUND	164,734.13
KELLOGG FOUNDATION PROJECT	9,235.32
EARLY CHILDHOOD (DAYCARE)	348.85
HOUSING COMM DEV ACT (CDBG) FD	8,378.41
HOME PROGRAM FUND	134,625.92
H O P W A GRANT – DEPT OF HUD	498.40
DPS-HOMELAND SECURITY	294.00
INFRASTRUCTURE BOND 2020 \$32M	264,648.88
CAPITOL STREET 2-WAY PROJECT	113,693.44
1% INFRASTRUCTURE TAX	164,005.70
MADISON SEWAGE DISP OP & MAINT	19.73
WATER/SEWER CAP IMP NOTE 7M	126,664.30
TRANSPORTATION FUND	79,302.14
JXN CONVENTION & VISITORS BUR	303,744.73
RESURFACING – REPAIR & REPL. FD	73,950.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	2,000.00
P E G ACCESS – PROGRAMMING FUND	170.20
CAPITAL CITY REVENUE FUND	3,359.20
MHC BLIGHT ELIMINATION PROGRAM	73,268.75
FLOODING OF 2020	77,276.51
COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND	322.68
MODERNIZATION TAX	182,591.11
CAO GRANTS	1,980.00
FARISH STREET STABILIZATION	7,500.00

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CDBG COVID CARES	258.10
ZOOLOGICAL PARK	41,378.83
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021	570,000.00
LIBRARY FUND	8,263.15
TOTAL	\$6,568,627.42

President Lindsay moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **LaaWanda Horton, Director of Administration**, who stated an amendment was needed in said item. Claims needed to be amendment to include two payments to US Banks in the amount of \$518,709.74, making claims total \$7,087,337.16.

President Lindsay recognized **Vice President Lee** who moved; seconded by **President Lindsay** to amend said order to reflect the changes as stated by **LaaWanda Horton, Director of Administration**. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

- Yeas – Foote, Grizzell, Lee and Lindsay.
 - Nays – Banks, Hartley and Stokes.
 - Absent – None.
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Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said Order as amended:

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 25952 to 26027 APPEARING AT PAGES 389 TO 429 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,087,337.16 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 25952 to 26027 appearing at pages 389 to 429, inclusive thereon in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$7,087,337.16 are hereby approved for payment and said amount is expressly appropriated for the immediate payment thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that there is appropriated from the various funds the sums necessary to be transferred to other funds for the purpose of paying the claims as follows:

FROM:	TO ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND
GENERAL FUND	2,745,092.42
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PARKS & RECR. FUND	58,926.45
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FARISH STREET STABILIZATION	7,500.00
CDBG COVID CARES	258.10
ZOOLOGICAL PARK	41,378.83
2021 G.O. REFUNDING BOND	437,099.99
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021	570,000.00
LIBRARY FUND	8,263.15
TOTAL	\$7,087,337.16

President Lindsay recognized **Louis Wright, Chief Administrative Officer**, a brief overview of larger claims at the request of **President Lindsay**.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said order:

- Yeas – Foote, Grizzell, Lee and Lindsay.
- Nays – Banks, Hartley and Stokes.
- Absent – None.

ORDER APPROVING GROSS PAYROLL INCLUDING PAYROLL DEDUCTION CLAIMS NUMBERED 25952 TO 26027 AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that payroll deduction claims numbered 25952 to 26027 inclusive therein, in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$108,122.36 plus payroll, are approved for payment and necessary amounts are appropriated from various municipal funds for transfer to the payroll fund for the immediate payment thereof.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the following expenditures from the accounts payable fund be made in order to pay amounts transferred thereto from the payroll fund for payment of the payroll deduction claims authorized herein for payment:

FROM:	TO ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND	TO PAYROLL FUND
GENERAL FUND		2,172,809.96
PARKS & RECR FUND		95,331.35
LANDFILL FUND		15,084.21
SENIOR AIDES		1,661.57
WATER/SEWER OPER & MAINT		216,508.35
PAYROLL	\$108,122.36	
EARLY CHILDHOOD		26,006.21

HOUSING COMM DEV		11,664.84
TITLE III AGING PROGRAMS		5,646.37
TRANSPORTATION FUND		12,644.01
PEG ACCESS-PROGRAMMING FUND		8,531.38
ZOOLOGICAL PARK		27,377.28
TOTAL		\$2,593,285.53

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **Council Member Banks** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee and Lindsay.
Nays – Stokes.
Absent – None.

ORDER ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF J.P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. TO PROVIDE LEASE PURCHASE FINANCING FOR 2021 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE MASTER LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT, ESCROW AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR FUNDING OF THE 2021 LEASE PURCHASE TRANSACTION.

WHEREAS, resolutions were approved by the Jackson City Council on or about December 22, 2020, and March 2, 2021, declaring the intent of the City of Jackson to reimburse itself from the proceeds of a Master Lease Purchase Agreement for the purchase of vehicles and related equipment, and a backhoe; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson advertised proposals for lease purchase financing on July 15, 2021 and July 22, 2021, and opened all received proposals on August 17, 2021; and

WHEREAS, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. submitted the best proposal at an interest rate of 1.61% for a three-year term, total interest Thirteen Thousand and Seven Hundred and Thirty-Seven Dollars and Seven-Five Cents (\$13,737.75), with the semi-annual payment for year one (FY2022) to year three (FY2024) set at \$83,014.73; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Administration recommends accepting the proposal of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. to finance the 2021 Master Lease Purchase Agreement at an interest rate of 1.61% for a three-year term, total interest Thirteen Thousand and Seven Hundred and Thirty-Seven Dollars and Seven-Five Cents (\$13,737.75), with the semi-annual payment for year one (FY2022) to year three (FY2024) set at \$83,014.73.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the proposal of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. be accepted to provide lease purchase financing for 2021 and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the Master Lease Purchase Agreement, Escrow Agreement and all other documents necessary for funding of the 2021 lease purchase transaction.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **President Lindsay** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Lawanda Horton, Director of Finance**, who provided a brief overview on said item.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said item:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

ORDER AMENDING ORDER ACCEPTING THE TERM BID OF INNOVATIVE PERFORMANCE CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR A THIRTY-SIX MONTH TERM,

FOR INSTALLATION OF FIBER OPTIC CABLE AND HARDWARE (BID NO. 83890-110519).

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson solicited term bids for installation of fiber optic cable and hardware for a thirty-six (36) month term beginning November 15, 2019 and ending November 14, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council awarded said term bid to Innovative Performance Construction, LLC (Innovative Performance) on November 26, 2019, and authorized the Mayor to execute an agreement with Innovative Performance to provide for the installation of fiber optic cable and hardware for municipal buildings for a term of thirty-six (36) months, beginning November 15, 2019 through November 14, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$31,524.10; and

WHEREAS, the Telecommunications Division of the City of Jackson Department of Administration has determined that the not to exceed amount of \$31,524.10 is inadequate to meet the demand, need and cost for the installation of fiber optic cable and hardware for municipal buildings located throughout the City of Jackson during the thirty-six-month term beginning November 15, 2019 through November 14, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Telecommunications Division recommends the Jackson City Council increase the not to exceed amount to meet the amount assigned to the budgeted line item related to the City's use of fiber optic cable and hardware which is \$498,490.85 (FY21) and \$100,000.00 (FY22).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the November 26, 2019 Order to award a thirty-six-month term bid to Innovative Performance Construction, LLC for the installation of fiber optic cable and hardware for municipal buildings beginning on November 15, 2019 and ending on November 14, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$31,524.10, is hereby amended to increase the not to exceed amount included in the November 26, 2019 Order from \$31,524.10 to the budgeted line amount which is \$498,490.85 (FY21) and \$100,000.00 (FY22).

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **Council Member Banks** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Keith Harris, Telecommunications Manager**, who provided a brief overview on said item.

After thorough discussion, **President Lindsay** recognized **Vice President Lee** and **Council Member Banks** who withdrew their motion and second. Said item will be discussed later in the meeting.

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S RE-APPOINTMENT OF DR. VONDA REEVES TO THE JACKSON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Redevelopment Authority consist of (7) members; for a term of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Vonda Reeves, resident of Ward 6, after evaluation of her qualifications, has been nominated by the Mayor to serve another term.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Mayor's re-appointment of Dr. Vonda Reeves to the Jackson Redevelopment Authority be confirmed with a said term to expire 8/13/2026.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; **Council Member Stokes** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 13 and 42 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDER AMENDING ORDER ACCEPTING THE TERM BID OF INNOVATIVE PERFORMANCE CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR A THIRTY-SIX MONTH TERM, FOR INSTALLATION OF FIBER OPTIC CABLE AND HARDWARE (BID NO. 83890-110519).

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Council Member Banks moved adoption; **President Lindsay** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes

Nays – Foote.

Absent – None.

ORDER REVISING THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021.

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Municipal Budget needs to be revised for the necessary changes noted below.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget be revised by the following entries:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Municipal Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 is revised as follows:

<u>Fund Account</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
001-5899	2,081,368	
001-49300-6755	2,081,368	
005-5911		2,081,368
005-5899		2,081,368

Parks & Rec appropriation was reduced due to COVID-19 affecting their activities. Unfortunately, Parks & Rec did not have a saving, which required the department’s appropriation to be increased.

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007-4913	389	
007-50500-6742		389
Fund 7 accumulated interest that was not budgeted		
083-4913	160	
083-61510-6736		160
Fund 83 accumulated interest that was not budgeted		
119-4913	110	
119-61530-6736		110
Fund 119 accumulated interest that was not budgeted		
141-4913	2,246	
141-59100-6736		2,246
Fund 141 accumulated interest that was not budgeted.		
124-4913	340	
124-56010-6736		340
Fund 124 accumulated interest that was not budgeted		
0247-4913	5	
247-51150-6736		5
Fund 247 accumulated interest that was not budgeted		
256-4111	128,008	
256-4112	8,390	
256-51189-6736		136,398
Fund 256 accumulated revenue that was not budgeted		
257-4913	27	
257-51190-6736		27
Fund 257 accumulated interest that was not budgeted.		
0315-4913	11,959	
315-51192-6614		11,959
Fund 315 accumulated interest that was not budgeted		
0381-4594	8,775	
381-42611-6240		8,775
Fund 381 accumulated interest that was not budgeted		
0385-4763	4,010	
385-50413-6736		4,010
Fund 385 accumulated interest that was not budgeted.		
399-4113	7,474	
399-4114	2,974	
399-4227	379	
399-4517	25,866	
399-4518	485	
399-5400-6461		37,178
Fund 399 accumulated revenue that was not budgeted.		
001-44310-6451	2,615	
001-44310-6453	620	
001-44310-6454	10,900	
001-44310-6111		14,135
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Administration		
004-90400-6454	1,400	

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004-90400-6455	5,500	
004-90400-6231		6,900
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Administration		
004-90400-6454	43,000	
004-90400-6868		43,000
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Administration		
305-40810-6824	156,086	
305-40810-6812		93,000
305-40810-6846		45,500
305-40810-6473		7,509
305-40810-6449		10,077
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Human & Culture		
001-41910-6451	10,000	
001-40810-6111		10,000
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Human & Culture		
076-43311-6455	203	
076-43311-6242		203
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Human & Culture		
001-45300-6622	42,723	
001-45300-6612	4,464	
001-45124-6113		47,187
Final Closeout: Entergy Improvement Loan that was not budgeted for and has to be paid in September 2021.		
001-45124-6453	2,490	
001-45124-6215		2,490
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Public Works		
001-44820-6873	3,000	
001-44850-6240		600
001-44820-6316		2,400
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Public Works		
005-50125-6215	600	
005-50430-6316	500	
005- 50110-6449		1,100
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Parks and Recreation		
005-50430-6451	5,237	
005- 50160-6112		5,237
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Parks and Recreation		
001-40310-6215	2,000	
001-40320-6421	500	
001-42630-6421	100	
001-45400-6451	12,400	
005- 50110-6449		15,000
Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Planning & Development		
001-44240-6492	3,500	
001-44240-6855	163,500	
001-44240-6111		167,000

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Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Jackson Police Department. Paying Back DOJ Grants.

001-44225-6464	1,900	
001-44240-6111		1,900

Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Jackson Police Department

031-52130-6451	12,625	
031-52140-6216		1,000
031-52140-6218		200
031-52140-6315		675
031-52140-6328		1,000
031-52140-6333		1,500
031-52140-6335		750
031-52140-6337		5,000
031-52140-6338		2,000
031-52150-6212		500

Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Public Works

031-52130-6451	6,200	
031-52135-6216		200
031-52135-6312		1,000
031-52135-6868		5,000

Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Public Works

009-50610-6612	1,200	
009-50610-6916		1,200

Final Closeout: Budget Revision for Department of Public Works.

President Lindsay moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Jerome Cooper, Finance Manager**, who provided a brief overview on said item.

After a thorough discussion, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said item:

Yeas -- Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

There came on for consideration, Agenda Item No. 15:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF LOUIS WRIGHT AS CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. **President Lindsay** stated that said item would be tabled until the next Special Council agenda to be held on September 9, 2021 at the request of the Administration.

There came on for consideration, Agenda Item No. 16:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF LAAWANDA HORTON AS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. **President Lindsay** stated that said item would be tabled until the next Special Council agenda to be held on September 9, 2021 at the request of the Administration.

There came on for consideration, Agenda Item No. 17:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF JORDAN HILLMAN AS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. President Lindsay stated that said item would be tabled until the next Special Council agenda for approval to be held on September 9, 2021 at the request of the Administration.

There came on for consideration, Agenda Item No. 18:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF MARLIN KING AS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. President Lindsay stated that said item would be tabled until the next Special Council agenda to be held on September 9, 2021 at the request of the Administration.

ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF INVOICES FOR CERTAIN SERVICES AND COMMODITIES PURCHASED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVANCING THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE CITY OF JACKSON DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Governor of the State of Mississippi, pursuant to Section 35-15-11(b)(17) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, declared that a state of emergency exists within the State of Mississippi because of the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Jackson declared a civil emergency in the City of Jackson pursuant to Section 45-17-3 of the Mississippi Code based on the COVID-19 pandemic beginning March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council declared a state of local emergency throughout the City of Jackson, and the areas encompassed by the boundaries of the City of Jackson pursuant to Section 33-15-17(d) of the Mississippi Code based on the COVID-19 pandemic beginning March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, City of Jackson personnel procured various emergency services and commodities pursuant to Section 31-7-13(k) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, in full cooperation with the March 16, 2020 Proclamation of Civil Emergency; and

WHEREAS, said services and commodities were purchased for the purpose of urgently advancing the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Jackson during the COVID-19 pandemic from vendors and in amounts as follows:

CINTAS POST OFFICE BOX 630921 CINCINNATI, OH 45263-0921	Weekly Spray and Hand Sanitizing Services	\$58,891.89
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IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, payment of the invoices identified herein for the purpose of urgently advancing the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Jackson during the COVID-19 pandemic is hereby authorized.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; **Council Member Hartley** seconded.

Yeas – Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, and Lindsay
Nays – Banks, Foote, and Stokes.
Absent – None.

Note: Council Member Foote left the meeting.

ORDER AMENDING ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH LACEY LOFTIN CONSULTING, LLC, TO SERVE AS THE DATA SCIENTIST FOR THE W.K. KELLOGG FOUNDATION-FUNDED PROJECT, ECONOMIC PATHWAYS TO HUMAN DIGNITY: BUILDING OCCUPATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES & ECONOMIC GROWTH (EPHD).

WHEREAS, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation awarded Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD) funds to the City of Jackson to support its goals to increase employment, economic development, city and regional competitiveness, job creation, and employer engagement allowing the citizenry access to tools that will help them traverse pathways to self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2020, the Jackson City Council approved an Order authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Lacey Loftin Consulting, LLC (“Lacey Loftin”), to serve as the Data Scientist in the implementation of the goals, objectives and strategies of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation-funded project, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD) for the remaining period of the grant, July 1, 2020 – March 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$68,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Lacey Loftin’s scope of work has been focused on the Data Ecosystem for the City of Jackson in order to establish reliable baseline measures of the current state of employment in poor communities, to identify communities of need and determine the relative skillsets of residents in those communities; and

WHEREAS, Lacey Loftin continues to utilize the data she has curated in the OpenGov and Tableau data platforms, and will integrate data that will be identified under this project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has compensated Lacey Loftin in the amount of Forty-Two Thousand and Ninety-Six Dollars and No cents (\$42,096.00) between July 1, 2020, through July 2021, for these services performed under the original agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that it serves the best interest of the citizenry to increase the compensation to Lacey Loftin for these services, and for presentations by Lacey Loftin of detailed analytical presentations with digital transparency on the socio-economic infrastructure and standing of the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the Department recommends the City of Jackson increase the compensation to Lacey Loftin by an additional Thirty-One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$31,250.00), for a total balance of Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-Four Dollars and No Cents (\$57,154.00) to be paid over the remaining contract period between August 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation grant, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an amendment to the agreement with Lacey Loftin Consulting, LLC (“Lacey Loftin”), to serve as the Data Scientist in the implementation of the goals, objectives and strategies of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation-funded project, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD) for the remaining period of the grant, August 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, for an amount not to exceed Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-Four Dollars and No Cents (\$57,154.00) to be paid over the remaining contract period between August 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation grant, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD).

President Lindsay moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Lacey Loftin, Lacey Loftin Consulting LLC**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

After thorough discussion, **President Lindsay** and **Vice President Lee** who withdrew their motion and second. Said item would be discussed later in the meeting.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN WEBQA AND THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, FOR RENEWAL OF GOVQA FOIA APPLICATIONS SOFTWARE.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Mississippi, is required to provide information categorized as public records to those requesting said records pursuant to Section 25-61-1 of the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended; and

WHEREAS, to continue to increase efficiency in the acceptance, review, and production of public records by the City of Jackson, the Department of Municipal Clerk recommends the renewal of FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) software; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the software is \$23,355.00 for one year; and

WHEREAS, the term period for the provision of these services will be from November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022 with an option to renew for five (5) years, subject to the rights of the governing authorities to void.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Master Services Agreement between WEBQA and the City of Jackson, Mississippi, for the renewal of GovQA FOIA Applications Software at a cost not to exceed \$23,355.00, for the term beginning November 1, 2021 and ending on October 31, 2022 with an option to renew for five (5) years, subject to the rights of the governing authorities to void.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **President Lindsay** seconded.

- Yeas – Banks, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, and Lindsay
- Nays – None.
- Abstention – Stokes.
- Absent – Foote.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2021 ARPA TRAVEL, TOURISM, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE EDA FOR RUSSELL C. DAVIS PLANETARIUM.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Mississippi (“City of Jackson”) and the Cultural Services Division of the Department of Human and Cultural Services are committed to reopening and continued success of the Russell C. Davis Planetarium and the enhancement of the City of Jackson’s cultural and tourism offerings; and

WHEREAS, the Russell C. Davis Planetarium pursues strategies, goals, objectives and priorities relevant to the enhancement of the tourism economy of the City of Jackson and State of Mississippi and to provide inquiry- and experiential-based cultural offerings for its visitors that are in direct alignment with the mission and goals of the EDA; thus, qualifying the Planetarium to apply for the ARPA Grant through the EDA; and

WHEREAS, Russell C. Davis Planetarium qualifies to receive funds equivalent of up to \$4,000,000.00 to be used for support for projects, initiatives, consulting, and other work related to the renovation and reopening of the Planetarium;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to submit a 2021 ARPA Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation grant through the EDA, and if awarded, the funds will be accepted from said grant opportunity and the Mayor to authorize to execute any and all documents related thereto.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Monica Allen, Interim City Attorney**, who stated that an amendment was needed in said order. The order needed to be amended to read in the title as follows: “Order ratifying the submission of the FY 2021 ARPA travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation grant application through the EDA for Russell C. Davis planetarium”.

Council Member Stokes moved; seconded by **President Lindsay** to amend said order to reflect the changes as stated by **Interim City Attorney Monica Allen**. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas – Banks, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – Foote.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said Order as amended:

ORDER RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2021 ARPA TRAVEL, TOURISM, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE EDA FOR RUSSELL C. DAVIS PLANETARIUM.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Mississippi (“City of Jackson”) and the Cultural Services Division of the Department of Human and Cultural Services are committed to reopening and continued success of the Russell C. Davis Planetarium and the enhancement of the City of Jackson’s cultural and tourism offerings; and

WHEREAS, the Russell C. Davis Planetarium pursues strategies, goals, objectives and priorities relevant to the enhancement of the tourism economy of the City of Jackson and State of Mississippi and to provide inquiry- and experiential-based cultural offerings for its visitors that are in direct alignment with the mission and goals of the EDA; thus, qualifying the Planetarium to apply for the ARPA Grant through the EDA; and

WHEREAS, Russell C. Davis Planetarium qualifies to receive funds equivalent of up to \$4,000,000.00 to be used for support for projects, initiatives, consulting, and other work related to the renovation and reopening of the Planetarium.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to submit a 2021 ARPA Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation grant through the EDA, and if awarded, the funds will be accepted from said grant opportunity and the Mayor to authorize to execute any and all documents related thereto.

Yeas – Banks, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – Foote.

Note: Council Member Foote returned to the meeting.

ORDER RATIFYING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE MISSISSIPPI HUMANITIES COUNCIL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN 2021 GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE AND ADMINISTRATION OF SAID GRANT.

WHEREAS, the Cultural Services Division of the City of Jackson Department of Human and Cultural Services is committed to the reopening and continued success of the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Humanities Council accepted applications through August 16, 2021, for American Rescue Plan (ARP) grant programs to assist humanities organizations within the State of Mississippi recover from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Services Division applied for an ARP Grant on July 9, 2021, for the maximum grant amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00) to prevent, prepare for, respond to and/or recover from the coronavirus and the subsequent economic crisis considering the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center experienced a ninety-seven percent (97%) decrease in revenue between April 2020 and December 2020 as compared between April 2019 and December 2019 due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Humanities Council granted the application on August 3, 2021, for the maximum award amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00) submitted by Cultural Services Division on behalf of the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center; and

WHEREAS, the Cultural Services Division has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizenry for the City of Jackson to apply for, accept and administer the ARP grant from the Mississippi Humanities Council in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the July 9, 2021 ARP application submission to the Mississippi Humanities Council for the maximum award amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00) by the Cultural Services Division of the City of Jackson Department of Human & Cultural Services on behalf of the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center is hereby ratified, and that the August 3, 2021 acceptance of the ARP grant award in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00) by the Cultural Services Division of the City of Jackson Department of Human & Cultural Services on behalf of the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center is hereby ratified.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute any documents necessary for the acceptance and administration of said grant.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **Council Member Stokes** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER RATIFYING THE ACCEPTANCE OF ALARM MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FROM AED SECURITY FOR SERVICES RENDERED TO THE PARK MAINTENANCE AND PETE BROWN GOLF FACILITIES, FROM JUNE 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH AED SECURITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Department of Parks and Recreation takes great pride in the security and care of our park facilities by providing year-round Alarm Monitoring and Maintenance Services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Department of Parks and Recreation is attempting to avoid costly burglaries and instances of vandalism issues; and

WHEREAS, the previous agenda item honored invoices received from AED Security, to be paid a term period of February 1, 2021 through May 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Department has received two (2) additional invoices from AED Security for services rendered June 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 as specified below; and

AED SECURITY			
Service Location	INVOICE	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Pete Brown Golf Facility 3200 W. Woodrow Wilson Avenue	0007781	005-501.10-6420	\$120.00

AED SECURITY			
Service Location	INVOICE	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Jackson, MS 39213			
Park Maintenance Facility 4736 Clinton Boulevard Jackson, MS 39204	0007783		\$120.00
Total – June 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021			\$240.00

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation believes honoring invoices received to present, is in the best interest of the City of Jackson.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Alarm Monitoring and Maintenance Services accepted from AED Security from June 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, at the Park Maintenance and Pete Brown Golf Facilities are hereby accepted, and said payments for the same are authorized in the amount of Two Hundred Forty Dollars (\$240.00).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with AED Security for Alarm Monitoring and Maintenance Services at the Park Maintenance and Pete Brown Golf Facilities for a term period of June 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Forty Dollars (\$240.00), from for Account 005-501.10-6420.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Ison Harris, Director of Parks and Recreation**, who provided a brief overview on said item.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said item:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO ANIMAL MEDICAL CENTER FOR SERVICES RENDERED.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Police Department has three (3) K-9 units which require regular medical care, and

WHEREAS, Animal Medical Center has provided said medical care for these canines at a cost of \$220.00, and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Police Department has sufficient funds to pay for these services in its forfeiture and seizure fund (Fund 2).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the City of Jackson is authorized to pay Animal Medical Clinic \$220.00 for services rendered.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Trivia Jones, Jackson Police Department**, who provided a brief overview on said item.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said item:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO FEDEX FOR SERVICES RENDERED.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Police Department periodically uses FedEx to securely ship evidence to and from other law enforcement agencies in the investigation of various crimes; and

WHEREAS, the FedEx was used several times for these services between June 17, 2020 and March 31, 2021, at a total cost of \$245.15; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Police Department has sufficient funding to pay these invoices in their general fund.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Jackson Police Department is authorized pay FedEx \$245.15 for shipping related services.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A FIVE (5) YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE LEASE OF OFFICE SPACE FOR PRECINCT 4.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Police Department currently leases space for Precinct 4 at 5080 Parkway Drive Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the current lease is set to expire on August 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Colonial Mart Retail, LLC has offered the 1st Amendment to Lease for a term of five (5) years at a cost of \$4,289.00, with an option to terminate at the end of each year at a cost of \$1,000.00 per year for each year remaining in the lease; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Police Department has funds in its General Fund to cover this expense.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to execute a lease agreement with Colonial Mart Retail LLC for five (5) years.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **Council Member Foote** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Trivia Jones, Jackson Police Department**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Foote** who moved; seconded by **Vice President Lee**, to amend said order to change the third whereas from “Whereas, Colonial Mart Retail, LLC has offered the 1st Amendment to Lease for a term of five (5) years at a cost of \$4,289.00 with an option to terminate at the end of each year at a cost of \$1,000.00 per year for each year remaining in the lease” to “Whereas, Colonial Mart Retail, LLC has offered the 1st Amendment to Lease for a term of five (5) years at a cost of \$4,289.00 per month, with an option to terminate at the end of each year at a cost of \$1,000.00 per year for each year remaining in the lease. “The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee and Lindsay.

Nays – None.

Abstention – Stokes

Absent – None.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said Order as amended:

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A FIVE (5) YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE LEASE OF OFFICE SPACE FOR PRECINCT 4.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Police Department currently leases space for Precinct 4 at 5080 Parkway Drive, Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the current lease is set to expire on August 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Colonial Mart Retail, LLC has offered the 1st Amendment to Lease for a term of five (5) years at a cost of \$4,289.00 per month, with an option to terminate at the end of each year at a cost of \$1,000.00 per year for each year remaining in the lease; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Police Department has funds in its General Fund to cover this expense.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to execute a lease agreement with Colonial Mart Retail LLC for five (5) years.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

There came for consideration Agenda Item No. 28:

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROPERTY ACCESS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND GREAT CITY MS FOUNDATION FOR JAMIE FOWLER BOYLE PARK TO PERFORM INSPECTIONS, SURVEYING, SOIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING, SITE TOURS, AND SURFACE MAINTENANCE WITH AN OBJECTIVE TO DEVELOP A PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AND TRAIL. **President Lindsay** stated said item was pulled by the Administration.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO APPLY FOR AND ADMINISTER THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT'S OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES PRODUCTION GRANT THAT WILL SUPPORT EXISTING HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, the overarching purpose of the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes is to assist states, cities, counties/parishes, Native American Tribes or other units of local government in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control housing-based health hazards in eligible privately-owned rental or owner-occupied housing; and

WHEREAS, Jackson has an aged housing stock and research has proven that residents of older homes are at higher risk of being exposed to health hazards such as mold, lead-based paint, asthma triggers, etc. Therefore, healthy homes production programs are essential for existing and future housing rehabilitation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development, through its Office of Housing and Community Development, is requesting approximately \$2,000,000.00 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Healthy Homes Production Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, applicants are required to provide a 10% match of requested grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the required matching funds will be contributed through CDBG funds of \$200,000.00 and will be provided over the four (4) year time period for the grant.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents and agreements necessary to apply for, accept and administer the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Healthy Homes Production Grant.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND ACA DEMOLITION & PROJECT GROUP, LLC TO DEMOLISH STRUCTURE FOUNDATION, STEPS AND DRIVEWAY; CUT GRASS AND WEEDS; REMOVE TRASH AND DEBRIS; AND REMEDY CONDITIONS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WHICH CONSTITUTE A MENACE TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE ACCORDING TO MISSISSIPPI CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 21-19-11 FOR CASE #2020-1218 – 1816 WALTHAM STREET– \$5,000.00.

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2020, the Jackson City Council approved a resolution declaring certain parcels of real property in the City of Jackson to be a menace to public health, safety, and welfare pursuant to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code following an administrative hearing held on August 4, 2020 for Case# 2020-1218 located in Ward 5 of the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the Community Improvement Division of the Planning and Development Department has a system in which vendors performing services related to the remedying of conditions on property adjudicated to be a menace to public health, safety, and welfare are rotated; and

WHEREAS, ACA Demolition & Project Group, LLC appeared next on the rotation list and through its representative, Elton Smith, agreed to demolish structure, foundation, steps, driveway and/or cut grass, weeds, shrubbery, fence line, bushes, and saplings; remove trash, debris, tires, crates, appliances, building materials, furniture, and fallen tree parts; clean curbside; and remedy conditions constituting a menace to public health and welfare for the parcel located at 1816 Waltham Street for the sum of \$5,000.00; and

WHEREAS, ACA Demolition & Project Group, LLC has a principal office address of 120 Hillcroft Place Jackson, Mississippi 39211.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with ACA Demolition & Project Group, LLC to demolish structure, foundation, steps, and driveway and/or cut vegetation and remedy conditions on the property located at 1816 Waltham Street deemed to be a menace to public health, safety, and welfare.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that a sum not to exceed \$5,000.00 shall be paid to ACA Demolition & Project Group, LLC for the services provided from funds budgeted for the Division.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays –None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI ON BEHALF OF THE MISSISSIPPI SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER STATE OFFICE FOR A SUB-AWARD GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$132,431.00

TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE CITY'S SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER.

WHEREAS, through said partnership, there has been an increase in the number of small business start-ups, which has provided job opportunities and enhanced the City's tax base; and

WHEREAS, over the past several years, Congress has operated the federal budget on Continuing Resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the Small Business Administration ("SBA") has not been able to give Small Business Development Center state programs notice of awards until January or February following the start of the federal fiscal year on October 1st; and

WHEREAS, beginning 2022, the SBA is changing the Small Business Development Center accounting year to a calendar year basis (January to December) using a two-step process; and

WHEREAS, in Step 1, the current fiscal year (2021) will be extended to a fifth quarter, October to December, and the sub-award contracts will be modified to cover the 5th quarter with ¼ of current budget funds allocated for the 5th quarter; and in Step 2, a new sub-award will be offered for 2022, January to December, and the hosts will be reimbursed each quarter, just as under previous contracts under the federal fiscal year time period; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Small Business Development Division will move to SBA's calendar year, January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, \$132,431.00 is required to continue the City's Small Business Development Center for Fiscal Year 2022, which consists of a \$15,000.00 reimbursable grant from the University of Mississippi, matching funds in the amount of \$105,392.00 from the City of Jackson and a waiver of indirect costs in the amount of \$12,039.00; and

WHEREAS, the City's matching funds will come from the salary of existing staff persons in the Business Development Division and will not necessitate an increase in the Department's budget; and

WHEREAS, the Department believes that continuing the program and accepting the sub-award grant on behalf of the Mississippi Small Business Development Center State Office is in the best interest of the City.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the contract and related documents with the University of Mississippi on behalf of the Mississippi Small Business Development Center State Office for a sub-award grant in the amount of \$132,431.00, which consists of a \$15,000.00 reimbursable grant from the University of Mississippi, matching funds in the amount of \$105,392.00 from the salary of existing staff persons in the Business Development Division, and a waiver of \$12,039.00 in indirect costs.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **Council Member Banks** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE USE OF 2020 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) PROGRAM FUNDS IN THE JACKSON METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,434,010.00 (MSA) FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD).

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2021 the City Council adopted an Order authorizing the Mayor to submit the City of Jackson's 2020-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and 2020 One-Year Action Plan, consisting of the City's CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA components, to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the Office of Housing and Community Development recommends entering into a contract with Grace House, Inc. and Mississippi United to End Homelessness (MUTEH) to provide eligible HOPWA services to residents of the City of Jackson's Metropolitan Statistical Area, which includes Hinds, Rankin, Madison, Copiah, and Simpson counties; and

WHEREAS, the contracts shall be effective October 1, 2020 – February 28, 2022; and September 1, 2021 – December 30, 2022.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to execute contracts with Grace House, Inc. and Mississippi United to End Homelessness (MUTEH) for the implementation of the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) program in the Jackson Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) for the use of 2020 HOPWA funds; and to execute all other required forms and contractual documents related to this award. The funds should be allocated as follow:

GRACE HOUSE, INC.	\$695,495.00
MISSISSIPPI UNITED TO END HOMELESSNESS (MUTEH)	\$695,495.00

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH JACKSON INDIE MUSIC WEEK (JIMW) TO FACILITATE PRE-PRODUCTION RESPONSIBILITIES AND SERVICES NECESSARY FOR JIMW TO PERFORM DURING THE TECH JXN 2021 CONFERENCE AND FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2021.

WHEREAS, Mississippi Code Annotated Sections 17-3-1 and 17-3-3, 1972 as amended, authorize municipalities to expend funds, not to exceed the proceeds of one mil of the municipality's valuation and assessment, to advertise and bring into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson identified its four primary sectors for economic development as technology, education, creativity, and healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson will host TECH JXN, a three-day conference/festival at the Jackson Convention Center on September 23 - 24, 2021 and Mississippi Museum of Art on September 25, 2021, purposed to highlight the City of Jackson's four primary economic development sectors and to showcase such opportunities within these sectors within the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is desirous to retain professional consultant services to facilitate the pre-production responsibilities and services necessary for Jackson Indie Music Week, LLC (JIMW) to curate artists to perform during the TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, to provide sound lighting and staging for TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021; and to handle social media marketing and promotions duties, including targeted buys on the TECH JXN Facebook & Twitter pages; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson's Chief Administrative Officer recommends the City of Jackson execute an agreement with JIMW to facilitate the pre-production responsibilities and services necessary for JIMW to perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, to curate artists to perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, to provide sound lighting and staging

for TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021; and will handle social media marketing and promotion duties, including targeted buys on the TECH JXN Facebook & Twitter pages; and

WHEREAS, JIMW will facilitate the pre-production responsibilities and services necessary for JIMW to perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, will secure, at its own expense, the artists who will perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, will provide sound lighting and staging for TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, and will handle social media marketing and promotions duties, including targeted buys on the TECH JXN Facebook & Twitter pages; and

WHEREAS, the service, work and performance of JIMW is purposed to highlight the creativity sector of the TECH JXN Conference and Festival; and

WHEREAS, JIMW was exceptional in handling all these duties for the 2019 and 2020 TECH JXN Conference and Festival, proving its willingness, trustworthiness, and standards of excellence; and

WHEREAS, the total cost to the City of Jackson for all services rendered will not exceed \$5,000.00, which will be paid from the W.K. Kellogg Economic Pathways to Human Dignity grant project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson's Chief Administrative Officer recommends the City of Jackson enter into an agreement with Jackson Indie Music Week, LLC to facilitate the pre-production responsibilities and services necessary for JIMW to perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, secure, at its own expense, the artists who will perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, provide sound lighting and staging for TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, and handle social media marketing and promotions duties, including targeted buys on the TECH JXN Facebook & Twitter pages, with the term of this agreement to commence upon execution and to expire on September 25, 2021, not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), to highlight the City of Jackson's four primary economic sectors and to showcase such opportunities within these sectors within the City of Jackson.

IT IS HERBY ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to enter into an agreement with Jackson Indie Music Week LLC to facilitate the pre-production responsibilities and services necessary for JIMW to perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, secure, at its own expense, the artists who will perform during TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, provide sound lighting and staging for TECH JXN September 23-25, 2021, and handle social media marketing and promotions duties, including targeted buys on the TECH JXN Facebook & Twitter pages with the term of this agreement to commence upon execution and to expire on September 25, 2021, not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), to highlight the City of Jackson's four primary economic sectors and to showcase such opportunities within these sectors within the City of Jackson.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER APPROVING A COMPREHENSIVE SIGN PLAN FOR THE BELHAVEN TOWN CENTER THROUGH ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 2 SECTION 102-30 (16) OF THE CITY OF JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, Chapter 2 Section 102-30 (16) of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances establishes an alternative compliance method for sign approvals in existing mixed-use pedestrian-oriented districts that promote quality design and integration of architecture; and

WHEREAS, the Belhaven Town Center has submitted the required application and documents to request an alternative compliance approval; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development has evaluated the submitted comprehensive sign plan and found that the sign plan contains all elements required; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed or existing development exhibits unique characteristics of land use, architectural style, site location, physical scale, historical interest or other distinguishing features that represent a clear variation from conventional development, and the proposed signage incorporates special design features such as logos, emblems, murals or statuaries that are integrated with the building architecture; and

WHEREAS, the Belhaven Town Center is identified as the two blocks between North Street, North Jefferson Street, Poplar Boulevard, and Carlisle Street; and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive sign plan is attached as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi that the application of the Belhaven Town Center as defined and attached in Exhibit A is hereby approved.

Exhibit A

Belhaven Town Center Alternative Compliance Application

1121 N Jefferson St. Jackson, MS

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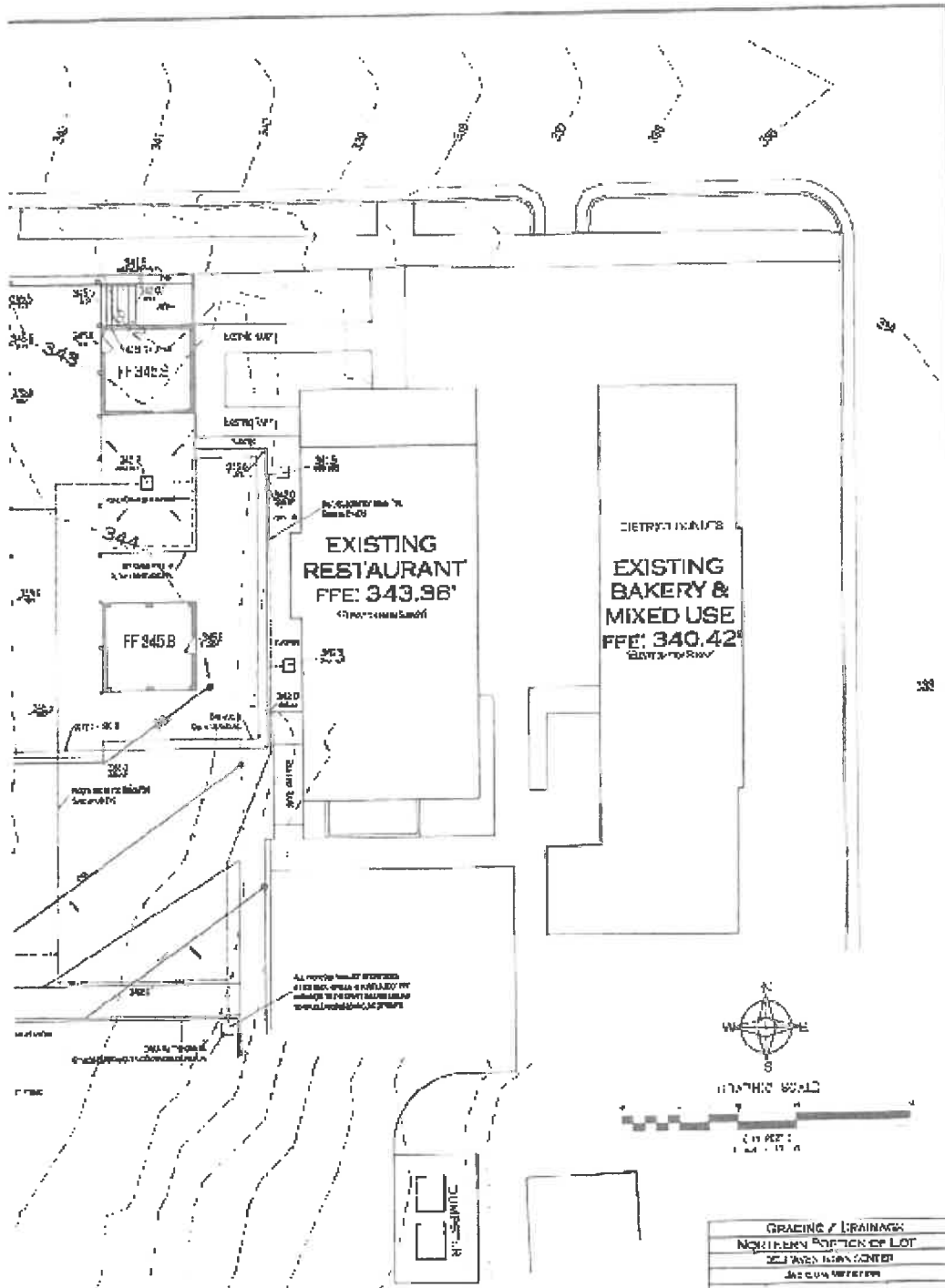
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ITEM C- SIGN TABLE

Building identification:

Address letters may not exceed 8 inches in height

Business identification signs:

Signs may be illuminated internally or externally. Combined signage of building must not exceed 60 feet.

Building sign (wall or canopy) to be allowed 15% of each building wall area

Maximum area of 30 square feet

Ground sign to be allowed area of 20 square feet

Maximum height of 6ft

Maximum one sign per street frontage

Must be 10 feet from property line

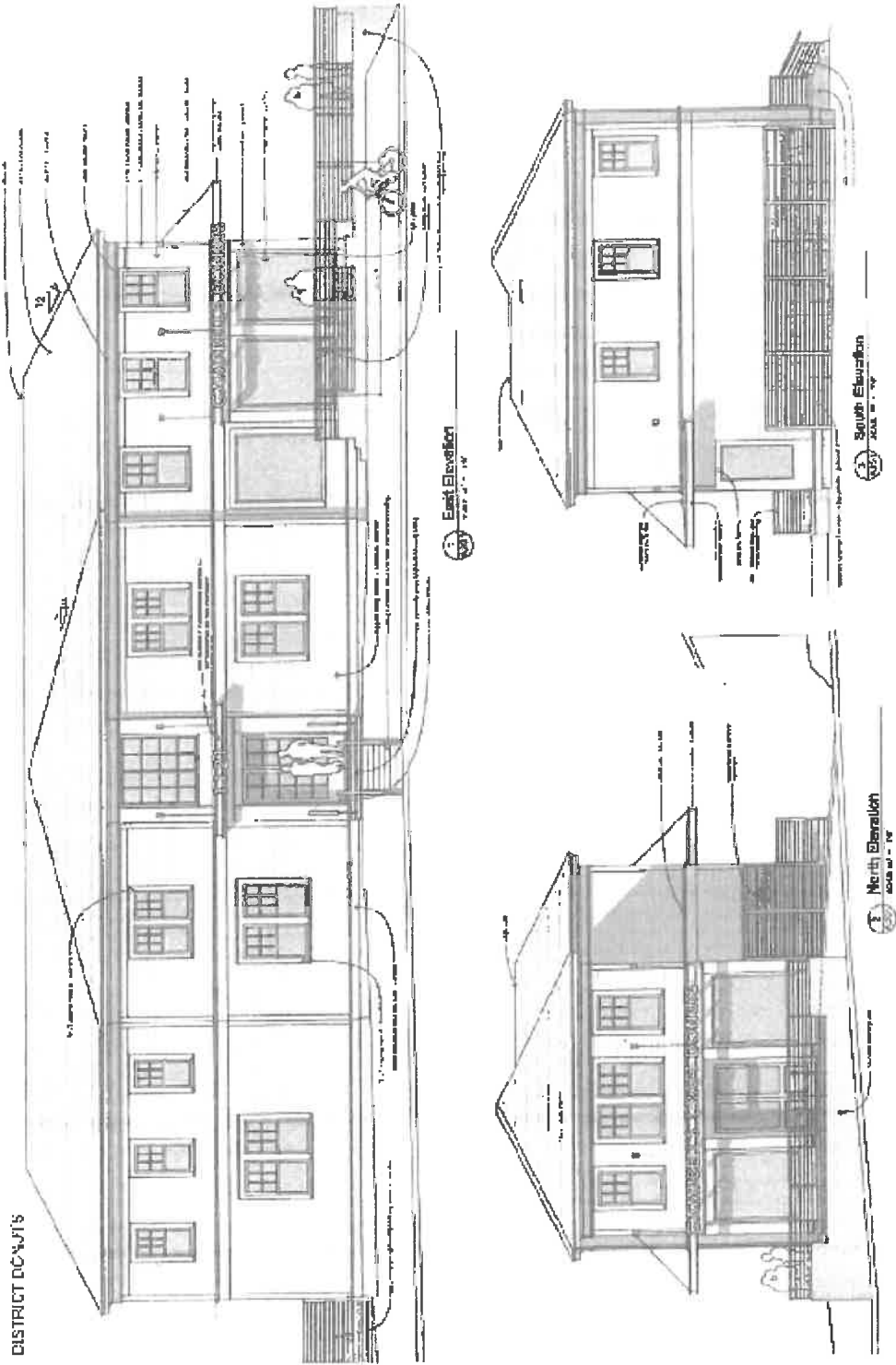
Must be set back 10 feet from right of way

Additional sign types:

Blade sign to be allowed 30 square feet, with a maximum of 6 feet perpendicular distance from face of building

Must hang at least 8 feet from ground level

Roof mounted signs and moving sign parts to be allowed upon review



ITEM F- Design Guidelines:

Design encouraged to work well with historical Belhaven architecture- colonial, early craftsmen and midcentury modern architecture are ideal

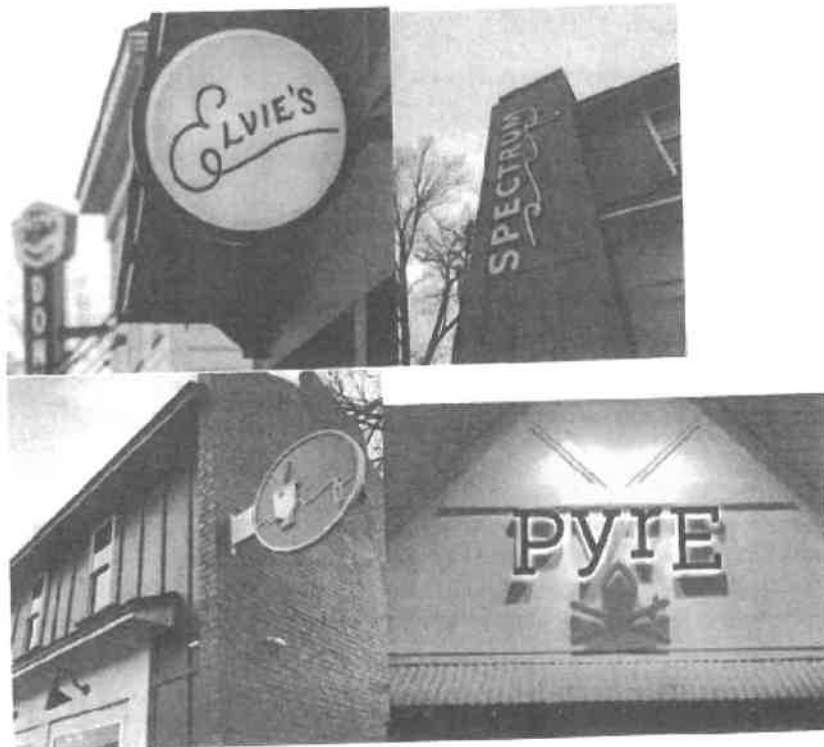
Sign designers encouraged to review existing signs in BTC

Signs must make use of 3 dimensional elements, such as flat cut or raised lettering, with exception for hand-painted signage

Flat, non-dimensional, sign panels will not be permitted

LED message boards will not be permitted

Visible brackets or hanging hardware must be intentional in its design



President Lindsay moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

Yeas –Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACTIVATE THE LITTLE J RAIL TRAIL PROJECT FROM THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson received a Congressional appropriation for improvements to Lynch Street; and

WHEREAS, after the completion of a resurfacing and repair project from Highway 18 to Highway 80 and construction of a rail-trail from Yarbrow St. to West Highland Drive, there was \$1,721,790.68 in unobligated funds; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to construct a shared use trail along the abandoned City-owned Little J railroad south of and parallel to Lynch Street from Valley Street west towards Highway 80, and

WHEREAS, the project has a minimum 20% match; and

WHEREAS, during the life of this project it will be necessary for the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding and other documents related to the administration and construction of the project and to submit those documents to MDOT, which administers projects that utilize federal transportation funds.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding and other documents necessary for the administration of the Little J Rail Trail Project.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Robert Lee, Department of Public Works**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said item:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY TO RETAIN AN EXPERT WITNESS IN THE LAWSUIT STYLED, “ROBERT CHAMBERS V. CITY OF JACKSON, MS; OFFICER KENNETH SHORT (In his individual and official capacities); AND JOHN AND JANE DOES 1-10.” IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI, NORTHERN DIVISION; CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:20-cv-58-CWR-LGI.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is one of the defendants in a personal injury lawsuit short-styled “Robert Chambers v. City of Jackson, et al.” filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Northern Division; Civil Action No. 3:20-CV-58-CWR-LGI; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to defend the interest of the City of Jackson from certain allegations, which are the subject of this lawsuit and as such, requires the employment, consultation and/or testimony of an expert in the area of Law Enforcement and the Use of Force used by police officers; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney’s Office seeks approval to employ the services of Chief Mark S. Dunston in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) without further authorization of the governing authorities. It is necessary that the Office of the City Attorney be authorized to pay up to the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the services of an expert witness.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Office of the City Attorney be authorized to retain the services of an expert in the area of law enforcement; and the use of force used by police officers; and expend such cost as are reasonable and necessary regarding the City of Jackson’s defense in the lawsuit short-styled “Chambers, et al. v. City of Jackson, et al.” in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Northern Division; Civil Action No.: 3:20-cv-58-CWR-LGI, in amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), unless further Council approval is obtained in advance.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; **Council Member Grizzell** seconded.

After a thorough discussion, **President Lindsay** recognized **Vice President Lee** and **Council Member Grizzell** who withdrew their motion and second. Said item will be discussed later in the meeting.

There came on for consideration Agenda Item No. 37:

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY’S FEES ON BEHALF OF (FORMER) JACKSON POLICE OFFICERS KENNETH SHORT AND CODEY SMITH IN THE MATTER OF DEVON MODACURE vs THE CITY OF JACKSON, et al.; UNITED STATES FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI; CASE NO. 3:20-CV-476-HTW-LGI. Said item would be discussed later in the meeting.

There came on for consideration Agenda Item No. 38:

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY’S FEES ON BEHALF OF JACKSON POLICE OFFICER DON GATER, IN THE MATTER OF MARTHA DEE VS. THE CITY OF JACKSON, JAMES DAVIS, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL AND OFFICIAL CAPACITY, DONALD GATER, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL AND OFFICIAL CAPACITY IN THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI; CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:20-cv-752-KHJ-FKB. Said item would be discussed later in the meeting.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI IN SUPPORT OF THE CELEBRATION OF LABOR DAY, 2021.

WHEREAS, opportunity to celebrate the enhancement in quality of life, safety and welfare of the “*working woman and man*” shall be considered by this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union; and

WHEREAS, the first Labor Day celebration demonstrated “*the strength and esprit de corps of the trade and labor organizations*” with a parade as confirmation of public support; and

WHEREAS, in 1884, the Labor Day Observance was changed to the first Monday in September as in the original proposal of the Central Labor Union; by 1885, Labor Day was observed in industrial centers throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi salutes and celebrates our “*working women and men*” for their dedication to service in our city, state and nation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Councilman Kenneth I. Stokes and his Council colleagues hereby support and wish for its citizens a safe, enriching and fulfilling Labor Day Celebration, Monday, September 6, 2021, in the City of Jackson.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; **President Lindsay** seconded.

Yeas –Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

Note: Council Member Grizzell left the meeting.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
SUPPORTING THE COMMEMORATION OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001.**

WHEREAS, this resolution reflects on the historical events of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the terrorism on American soil forever changed the landscape and way of life for people of the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS, the first multiple hijacking in the United States and the first in the world in more than thirty years occurred on September 11, 2001; nineteen terrorists aboard four commercial transcontinental jetliners, were transitioned to flying weapons of destruction; and

WHEREAS, iconic American buildings were targeted to send a message of hatred for the United States; all four planes crashed, killing all on board- -terrorists, crew members, and passengers, along with hundreds who were killed or injured inside the structures on the ground; and

WHEREAS, at 8:19 a.m., a flight attendant on American Airlines Flight 11 first advised the airline that a hijacking was taking place on one of their planes; at 8:46 a.m., American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into New York City’s North Tower of the World Trade Center; 9:03 a.m., United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the south face of the South Tower of the World Trade Center; at 9:37 a.m., another American Airlines plane hit the Mall side of the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS, the events of 9/11 have led to new legislations, agencies, venues of commemoration, ever-changing intelligence strategies and lifestyles nationally and internationally; the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi remembers the twentieth anniversary of September 11, 2001- - *“Lest we forget!”*

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, be it resolved that Councilman Kenneth I. Stokes and his Council colleagues greatly support the commemoration of September 11, 2001, *“9/11.”*

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; **Council Member Banks** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell.

ORDER REVIEWING AND CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2020, the Jackson City Council, pursuant to Section 33-15-17(8(d) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, passed an Order Declaring the Need to Continue the State of Emergency that was issued on February 13, 2020 by Chokwe A. Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council, in the February 18, 2020 Order, found that flood waters and wide spread drainage system issues had affected several Jackson creeks, including, but not limited to: Belhaven Creek; Bogue Chitto Creek; Canney Creek; Eubanks Creek; Hanging Moss Creek; Lynch Creek; Purple Creek; Three Mile Creek; Town Creek; Travon Creek; and White Oak Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council, in the February 18, 2020 Order, found that the flood waters and wide spread drainage system issues caused extensive damages to homes, business, public property, and threatened the safety of the citizens and property of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, requiring the exercise of extraordinary measures; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council, in the February 18, 2020 Order, found that all efforts should be taken to protect people and property in consideration of the health, safety, and welfare of the City’s residents and the protection of their property within the affected areas; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council, on March 17, 2020; April 14, 2020; May 12, 2020, June 9, 2020, July 7, 2020, August 4, 2020, September 1, 2020, September 29, 2020, October 27,

2020, November 24, 2020, December 22, 2020, January 19, 2021, February 17, 2021, March 30, 2021, April 27, 2021, May 25, 2021, June 22, 2021 and July 20, 2021 pursuant to Section 33-15-17(8)(d) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, reviewed the need for and continued the local emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 33-15-17(8)(d) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, the Jackson City Council has again reviewed the need for continuing the local emergency and determined that the emergency should be continued.

IT IS THEREFORE HEREBY ORDERED that said Order Declaring the Need to Continue the Declared State of Emergency as delineated by the Jackson City Council, remains in full force and effect and shall be reviewed again in thirty (30) days in accordance with Section 33-15-17(8)(d) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; **President Lindsay** seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell.

President Lindsay requested that the clerk read Agenda Item No. 20:

ORDER AMENDING ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH LACEY LOFTIN CONSULTING, LLC, TO SERVE AS THE DATA SCIENTIST FOR THE W.K. KELLOGG FOUNDATION-FUNDED PROJECT, ECONOMIC PATHWAYS TO HUMAN DIGNITY: BUILDING OCCUPATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES & ECONOMIC GROWTH (EPHD).

WHEREAS, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation awarded Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD) funds to the City of Jackson to support its goals to increase employment, economic development, city and regional competitiveness, job creation, and employer engagement allowing the citizenry access to tools that will help them traverse pathways to self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2020, the Jackson City Council approved an Order authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Lacey Loftin Consulting, LLC (“Lacey Loftin”), to serve as the Data Scientist in the implementation of the goals, objectives and strategies of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation-funded project, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD) for the remaining period of the grant, July 1, 2020 – March 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$68,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Lacey Loftin’s scope of work has been focused on the Data Ecosystem for the City of Jackson in order to establish reliable baseline measures of the current state of employment in poor communities, to identify communities of need and determine the relative skillsets of residents in those communities; and

WHEREAS, Lacey Loftin continues to utilize the data she has curated in the OpenGov and Tableau data platforms, and will integrate data that will be identified under this project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has compensated Lacey Loftin in the amount of Forty-Two Thousand and Ninety-Six Dollars and No cents (\$42,096.00) between July 1, 2020, through July 2021, for these services performed under the original agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that it serves the best interest of the citizenry to increase the compensation to Lacey Loftin for these services, and for presentations by Lacey Loftin of detailed analytical presentations with digital transparency on the socio-economic infrastructure and standing of the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the Department recommends the City of Jackson increase the compensation to Lacey Loftin by an additional Thirty-One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$31,250.00), for a total balance of Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-Four

Dollars and No Cents (\$57,154.00) to be paid over the remaining contract period between August 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation grant, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an amendment to the agreement with Lacey Loftin Consulting, LLC (“Lacey Loftin”), to serve as the Data Scientist in the implementation of the goals, objectives and strategies of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation-funded project, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD) for the remaining period of the grant, August 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, for an amount not to exceed Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-Four Dollars and No Cents (\$57,154.00) to be paid over the remaining contract period between August 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation grant, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity: Building Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth (EPHD).

President Lindsay moved adoption; **Vice President Lee** seconded.

President Lindsay recognized **Lacey Loftin, Lacey Loftin Consulting LLC**, who provided a brief overview on said item.

After a thorough discussion, **President Lindsay** called for a vote on said item:

Yeas – Banks, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – Foote.

Absent – Grizzell.

Note: Council Member Grizzell returned to the meeting.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item 43:

DISCUSSION: POTHOLES: President Lindsay stated said item would be held until a later date at the request of **Council Member Stokes**.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item 44:

DISCUSSION: Water Bills: President Lindsay stated said item would be held until a later date at the request of **Council Member Stokes**.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item 46:

DISCUSSION: Personnel Matter: President Lindsay stated that said item needed to be discussed in Executive Session.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item 47:

DISCUSSION: LITIGATION: President Lindsay stated said item would be held until a later date at the request of the Administration.

The following reports/announcements were provided during the meeting:

- **Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba** assured citizens that the City was prepared to deal with any debris pick up for Hurricane Ida.

President Lindsay stated that there were items that needed to be discussed in Executive Session regarding "Litigation Matters".

Vice President Lee moved, seconded by **Council Member Hartley** to go into Closed Session to discuss Agenda Items No. 36, 37, 38 and 46. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

President Lindsay announced to the public that the Council voted to go into Closed Session to discuss going into Executive Session regarding to discuss Agenda Items No. 36, 37, 38 and 46 "Litigation Matters".

During Closed Session, **Council Member Stokes** moved, seconded by **Council Member Banks** to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation matters. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

Council Member Stokes moved, seconded by **Council Member Hartley**, to come out of Executive Session. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

President Lindsay announced to the public that the Council voted to come out of Executive Session and action was taken.

During Executive Session, the Council took action on Agenda Item No. 36, 37 and 38.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY TO RETAIN AN EXPERT WITNESS IN THE LAWSUIT STYLED, "ROBERT CHAMBERS V. CITY OF JACKSON, MS; OFFICER KENNETH SHORT (In his individual and official capacities); AND JOHN AND JANE DOES 1-10." IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI, NORTHERN DIVISION; CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:20-cv-58-CWR-LGI.

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NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Office of the City Attorney be authorized to retain the services of an expert in the area of law enforcement; and the use of force used by police officers; and expend such cost as are reasonable and necessary regarding the City of Jackson's defense in the lawsuit short-styled "Chambers, et al. v. City of Jackson, et al." in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Northern Division; Civil Action No.: 3:20-cv-58-CWR-LGI, in amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), unless further Council approval is obtained in advance.

Council Member Grizzell moved adoption; Vice President Lee seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S FEES ON BEHALF OF (FORMER) JACKSON POLICE OFFICERS KENNETH SHORT AND CODEY SMITH IN THE MATTER OF DEVON MODACURE vs THE CITY OF JACKSON, et al.; UNITED STATES FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI; CASE NO. 3:20-CV-476-HTW-LGI.

WHEREAS, Mr. Devon Modacure filed a federal civil rights lawsuit against the City of Jackson, Mississippi and Former Jackson Police Officer Kenneth Short, Former Jackson Police Officer Codey Smith, and other unidentified police officers on July 21, 2020 from an alleged incident that occurred on or about October 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff, Devon Modacure, has sued Former Police Officer Kenneth Short and Codey Smith in both their official and individual capacities; and

WHEREAS, the Office of City Attorney believes there is a high risk of a conflict of interest in the representation of Former JPD Officers Short and Smith in both their official and individual capacities inasmuch as the statutory and legal requirements of immunity for the City and an individual police officer differ greatly under current legal precedent in such civil rights litigation; and

WHEREAS, the City has a statutory obligation to provide defense counsel for its officers and other employees; and

WHEREAS, Former Jackson Police Officers Short and Smith allowed their membership in the Police Benevolent Association (PBA) to expire after they voluntarily left the employment of the City in 2018, but desire to be represented by Counsel as follows: Attorney Francis Springer to represent Former Jackson Police Officer Codey Smith, and the firm of Danks, Miller, and Corey to represent Former Jackson Police Officer Kenneth Short; and

WHEREAS, both law firms ordinarily and regularly represent law enforcement officers with the City of Jackson with a contractual agreement with the PBA; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Springer and the Danks, Miller, and Corey firm have agreed to represent Officer Short for the same discounted hourly rate or \$150.00 per hour provided to members of the PBA.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the City is hereby authorized to pay Attorney Francis Springer for the representation of Former Jackson Police Officer Codey Smith in the matter of Devon Modacure vs. the City of Jackson, Mississippi, et al. at an hourly rate of \$150.00 per hour.

IT IS, FURTHER, ORDERED that the City is hereby authorized to pay the firm of Danks, Miller, and Corey for the representation of Former Jackson Police Officer Kenneth Short in the matter of Devon Modacure vs. the City of Jackson, Mississippi, et al. at an hourly rate of \$150.00 per hour.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY’S FEES ON BEHALF OF JACKSON POLICE OFFICER DON GATER, IN THE MATTER OF MARTHA DEE VS. THE CITY OF JACKSON, JAMES DAVIS, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL AND OFFICIAL CAPACITY, DONALD GATER, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL AND OFFICIAL CAPACITY IN THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI; CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:20-cv-752-KHJ-FKB.

WHEREAS, on November 25, 2020, Marth Dee filed a federal civil rights lawsuit against the City of Jackson, Mississippi, James Davis, in his individual and official capacity, Donald Gater, in his individual and official capacity, and other unidentified police officers from an alleged incident that occurred on or about April 2, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff, Martha Dee, has sued Officer Donald Gater in both his official and individual capacities; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney believes there is a high risk of a conflict of interest in the representation of Officer Gater in both his official and individual capacity inasmuch as the statutory and legal requirements of immunity for the City and an individual police officer differ greatly under current legal precedent in such civil rights litigation; and

WHEREAS, the City has a statutory obligation to provide defense counsel for its officers and other employees; and

WHEREAS, Officer Gater desires to be represented by Counsel, Attorney Francis Springer; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Springer has agreed to represent Officer Gater for the same discounted hourly rate of \$150.00 per hour.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the City is hereby authorized to pay Attorney Francis Springer for the representation of Officer Donald Gater in the matter of Martha Dee vs. City of Jackson, et al at an hourly rate of \$150.00 per hour.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee and Lindsay.
Nays – Stokes.
Absent – None.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the Public Hearing/Special Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on September 2, 2021. At 2:17 p.m., the Council stood adjourned.

PREPARED BY:

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:

MAYOR, 11/12/2021
DATE

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

**PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2021 6:00 P.M. 478**

BE IT REMEMBERED that a Public Hearing/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 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 1, 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 City Hall, relative to: (1) Proposed millage/FY 2021-2022 budget for the City of Jackson. (2) Order establishing ad valorem tax levy on real and personal property for the City of Jackson and the Jackson/Hinds Library system for fiscal year 2021-2022 (tax year 2021). (3) Order establishing ad valorem tax levy on real and personal property for the City of Jackson and the Jackson/hinds library system for fiscal year 2021-2022 (tax year 2021). (4) Order establishing ad valorem tax levy on real and personal property for the Jackson municipal separate school district for fiscal year 2021-2022 (tax year 2021). (5) Order rescinding the March 30, 2021 order authorizing the Mayor to execute an interlocal cooperative agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and Hinds County, Mississippi, to provide five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) to Hinds County, Mississippi, to engage deputies of the sheriff of Hinds County to assist with public safety activities within the City of Jackson, Mississippi. (6) Order terminating agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi, Holmes County, Mississippi, and the Holmes County sheriff's department for the temporary housing of Jackson police department arrestees and unencumbering funds for the same. (7) Order rescinding order authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi, Yazoo County, Mississippi, and the Yazoo County sheriff's department for the temporary housing of Jackson police department arrestees. The meeting was convened in the Council Chambers located at 219 S. President Street at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 2, 2021 being the first Thursday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present: Council Members: Virgi Lindsay, Ward 7, Council President; Angelique Lee, Ward 2, Vice-President; Ashby Foote, Ward 1; Kenneth Stokes, Ward 3; Brian Grizzell, Ward 4; Vernon Hartley, Ward 5 and Aaron Banks, Ward 6. Directors: Dr. Safiya Omari, Chief of Staff; Shanekia Mosley-Jordan, Clerk of the Council; Constance White, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Monica Allen, Interim City Attorney.

Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by **President Virgi Lindsay**.

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 5, 6 and 7 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDER RESCINDING THE MARCH 30, 2021 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, AND HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO PROVIDE FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$500,000.00) TO HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO ENGAGE DEPUTIES OF THE SHERIFF OF HINDS COUNTY TO ASSIST WITH PUBLIC SAFETY ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, during the City Council meeting on March 30, 2021, the governing body, pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1974 and other applicable law, invoked an order authorizing the Mayor to execute an interlocal agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City") and Hinds County to provide \$500,000.00 to the Hinds County Sheriff Department to hire additional deputies to assist with public safety within the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, this interlocal cooperative agreement was proposed after careful consideration of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Jackson and recognizing the fact that the Jackson Police Department (JPD) is presently understaffed and in need of tangible assistance; and