

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 December 7, 2021, being the first Tuesday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present: Council Members: Virgi Lindsay, Council President, Ward 7; Angelique Lee, Vice-President, Ward 2; Ashby Foote, Ward 1; Kenneth Stokes, Ward 3 (entered during introductions); 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 Catoria Martin, City Attorney.

Absent: None.

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

The invocation was offered by **Minister Tracie Cousin of Christ Tabernacle Church**.

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

The following individual(s) provided public comments during the meeting:

- **Dr. Wanda Keahey** who expressed concerns regarding the Dalehaven Community Americorps program.
- **Danielle Holmes** who expressed concerns regarding repeated gun violence at gas stations.

There came on for Introduction Agenda Item No. 2:

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI RE-ENACTING JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF ORDINANCES, ARTICLE II SECTIONS 86-51 THROUGH 86-62, CITED AS THE "CITY OF JACKSON CURFEW ORDINANCE". President Lindsay stated that said item would be moved to the Law Enforcement Committee for review.

There came on for Introduction Agenda Item No. 3:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-76 OF THE JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES GOVERNING REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE CITYCOUNCIL. President Lindsay stated that said item would be placed on the agenda for the next Special Council Meeting to be held December 21, 2021.

There came on for Adoption Agenda Item No. 4:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 122-234, -235, AND -268 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. President Lindsay stated that said item would be tabled until a special meeting to be held at a later date.

There came on for Adoption Agenda Item No. 5

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 106-37 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI PROVIDING THE USER CHARGE FOR RESIDENTIAL SANITATION SERVICES. President Lindsay stated that said item would be tabled until a special meeting to be held at a later date.

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 26438 to 26498 APPEARING AT PAGES 140 TO 167 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL "DOCKET OF CLAIMS", IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,430,120.97 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 26438 to 26498 appearing at pages 140 to 167, inclusive thereon in the Municipal "Docket of Claims", in the aggregate amount of \$5,430,120.97 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	491,937.72
TECHNOLOGY FUND	18,334.51
PARKS & RECR. FUND	99,320.21
BUSINESS IMPROV FUND (LANDSCP)	1,081.27
LANDFILL SANITATION FUND	155,299.14
STATE TORT CLAIMS FUND	5,603.51
WATER/SEWER OP & MAINT FUND	524,274.12
WATER/SEWER CAPITAL IMPR FUND	1,193,853.45
DISABILITY RELIEF FUND	35,641.46
EMPLOYEES GROUP INSURANCE FUND	205,364.11
KELLOGG FOUNDATION PROJECT	12,977.25
EARLY CHILDHOOD (DAYCARE)	89.41
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION REVO	42,389.31
H O P W A GRANT – DEPT OF HUD	55,797.42
INFRASTRUCTURE BOND 2020 \$32M	823,793.04
1% INFRASTRUCTURE TAX	620,790.40
WATER/SEWER CAP IMP NOTE 7M	122,277.31
TRANSPORTATION FUND	18,068.12
P E G ACCESS-PROGRAMMING FUND	1,469.67
HUMAN AND CULTURE GRANTS	775.00
MODERNIZATION TAX	67,716.45
ESG COVID CARES ACT	24,818.17
ZOOLOGICAL PARK	20,241.64
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021	725,957.62
LIBRARY FUND	162,250.66
TOTAL	<u>\$5,430,120.97</u>

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

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

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Stokes** who moved, and **Council Member Banks** seconded, to amend said order to remove the Simmons Erosion Control payment in the amount of \$585,848.44 for the Medgar Evers Blvd. Improvement. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Grizzell** who moved, and **Vice President Lee** seconded, to amend said order to remove the Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings payment in the amount of \$45,179.80. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

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

Nays – Foote.

Absent – None.

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

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 26438 to 26498 APPEARING AT PAGES 140 TO 167 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,799,092.73 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 26438 to 26498 appearing at pages 140 to 167, inclusive thereon in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$4,799,092.73 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	491,937.72
TECHNOLOGY FUND	18,334.51
PARKS & RECR. FUND	99,320.21
BUSINESS IMPROV FUND (LANDSCP)	1,081.27
LANDFILL SANITATION FUND	155,299.14
STATE TORT CLAIMS FUND	5,603.51
WATER/SEWER OP & MAINT FUND	524,274.12
WATER/SEWER CAPITAL IMPR FUND	1,193,853.45
DISABILITY RELIEF FUND	35,641.46
EMPLOYEES GROUP INSURANCE FUND	205,364.11
KELLOGG FOUNDATION PROJECT	12,977.25
EARLY CHILDHOOD (DAYCARE)	89.41
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION REVO	42,389.31
H O P W A GRANT – DEPT OF HUD	55,797.42
INFRASTRUCTURE BOND 2020 \$32M	823,793.04
1% INFRASTRUCTURE TAX	620,790.40
WATER/SEWER CAP IMP NOTE 7M	122,277.31
TRANSPORTATION FUND	18,068.12

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P E G ACCESS-PROGRAMMING FUND	1,469.67
HUMAN AND CULTURE GRANTS	775.00
MODERNIZATION TAX	67,716.45
ESG COVID CARES ACT	24,818.17
ZOOLOGICAL PARK	20,241.64
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021	725,957.62
LIBRARY FUND	162,250.66
TOTAL	<u>\$4,799,092.73</u>

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

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 26438 to 26498 APPEARING AT PAGES 168 TO 168 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$585,848.44 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 26438 to 26498 appearing at pages 168 to 168, inclusive thereon in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$585,848.44 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
SIMMONS EROSION CONTROL	585,848.44
TOTAL	585,848.44

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

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

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 26438 to 26498 APPEARING AT PAGES 169 TO 169 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,179.80 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 26438 to 26498 appearing at pages 169 to 169, inclusive thereon in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$45,179.80 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
SPECIAL LEGAL SERVICES	45,179.80
TOTAL	45,179.80

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

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

ORDER APPROVING GROSS PAYROLL INCLUDING PAYROLL DEDUCTION CLAIMS NUMBERED 26438 TO 26498 AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that payroll deduction claims numbered 26438 to 26498 inclusive therein, in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$107,576.83 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		2,261,389.04
PARKS & RECR FUND		87,823.21
LANDFILL FUND		19,183.79
SENIOR AIDES		1,621.52
WATER/SEWER OPER & MAINT		211,342.96
PAYROLL	107,576.83	
EARLY CHILDHOOD		23,411.79
HOUSING COMM DEV		11,664.84
TITLE III AGING PROGRAMS		5,535.65
TRANSPORTATION FUND		12,716.18
PEG ACCESS-PROGRAMMING FUND		8,551.80
ZOOLOGICAL PARK		30,487.62
TOTAL		\$2,673,728.40

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO REAPPOINT MICHAEL BURTON TO THE CAPITAL CITY CONVENTION CENTER COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the Capital City Convention Center Commission (“Commission”) consists of nine (9) members nominated by the Mayor for a term of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Michael Burton after evaluation of his qualifications, has been reappointed by the Mayor.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor’s reappointment of Michael Burton to the Capital City Convention Center Commission is hereby confirmed with said term to expire on July 1, 2026.

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

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

ORDER REAPPOINTING MICHAEL BURTON TO THE JACKSON CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU AS THE HOTEL COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE.

WHEREAS, during the 2021 Mississippi Legislative Session, local and private legislation, namely House Bill 1706, was signed into law, which allows for the reconstitution of the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the current members of the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau expired on July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, thereafter the bureau shall consist of nine (9) members, who shall be appointed, qualify and take office within ninety (90) days after July 1, 2019, and the appointments to the bureau and, if applicable, the initial terms of the appointments made on or after July 1, 2019, shall be as follows: (a) the two (2) hotel/motel members representing hotel or motel properties located within the city limits of Jackson, Mississippi, who are members of the Capital Center Convention Center Commission; (b) the two (2) restaurant members appointed who are members of the Capital Center Convention Center Commission; (c) one (1) member representing the business community in the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of two (2) years. This member and his or her successors shall be appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council after being selected from a panel of two (2) names submitted by the Jackson Chamber of Commerce the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau consist of nine (9) members, for a term of five (5) years; (d) One (1) member representing the arts community in the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of two (2) years; (e) One (1) member representing the education community appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of four (4) years; (f) One (1) member representing the attractions industry in the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of two (2) years. This member and his or her successors shall be residents of the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council after being selected from a panel of two (2) names submitted by the Metro Jackson Attractions Association; (g) One (1) at-large member appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, Michael Burton, after evaluation of his qualifications, has been recommended by the Mayor to continue serving on the bureau as the Hotel Community Representative.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor's reappointment of Michael Burton to the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau be confirmed with said term to expire July 1, 2023.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO REAPPOINT ENRIKA WILLIAMS TO THE CAPITAL CITY CONVENTION CENTER COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the Capital City Convention Center Commission (“Commission”) consists of nine (9) members nominated by the Mayor for a term of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Enrika Williams, after evaluation of her qualifications, has been reappointed by the Mayor.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor's reappointment of Enrika Williams to the Capital City Convention Center Commission is hereby confirmed with said term to expire on July 1, 2026.

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

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

ORDER REAPPOINTING ENRIKA WILLIAMS TO THE JACKSON CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU AS RESTAURANT AND HOSPITALITY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE.

WHEREAS, during the 2021 Mississippi Legislative Session, local and private legislation, namely House Bill 1706, was signed into law, which allows for the reconstitution of the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the current members of the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau expired on July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, thereafter the bureau shall consist of nine (9) members, who shall be appointed, qualify and take office within ninety (90) days after July 1, 2019, and the appointments to the bureau and, if applicable, the initial terms of the appointments made on or after July 1, 2019, shall be as follows: (a) the two (2) hotel/motel members representing hotel or motel properties located within the city limits of Jackson, Mississippi, who are members of the Capital Center Convention Center Commission; (b) the two (2) restaurant members appointed who are members of the Capital Center Convention Center Commission; (c) one (1) member representing the business community in the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of two (2) years. This member and his or her successors shall be appointed by the Mayor with confirmation by the council after being selected from a panel of two (2) names submitted by the Jackson Chamber of Commerce the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau consist of nine (9) members, for a term of five (5) years; (d) One (1) member representing the arts community in the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of two (2) years; (e) One (1) member representing the education community appointed by the Mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of four (4) years; (f) One (1) member representing the attractions industry in the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of two (2) years. This member and his or her successors shall be residents of the City of Jackson appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council after being selected from a panel of two (2) names submitted by the Metro Jackson Attractions Association; (g) One (1) at-large member appointed by the mayor with confirmation by the council for a term of four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, Enrika Williams, after evaluation of her qualifications, has been recommended by the Mayor to continue serving on the bureau as a Restaurant and Hospitality Association Representative.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor's reappointment of Enrika Williams to the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau be confirmed with said term to expire July 1, 2023.

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

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

There came on consideration Agenda Item No. 12:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF TAUREAN BUCHANAN, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Said item was tabled by the Administration until the next Special Council meeting to be held on January 25, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. .

There came on consideration Agenda Item No. 13:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF HENRY C. CLAY III, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Said item was tabled by the Administration until the next Special Council meeting to be held on January 25, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

There came on consideration Agenda Item No. 14:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFFERY P. REYNOLDS, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Said item was tabled by the Administration until the next Special Council meeting to be held on January 25, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

There came on consideration Agenda Item No. 15:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF JUNE HARDWICK, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Said item was tabled by the Administration until the next Special Council meeting to be held on January 25, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

There came on consideration Agenda Item No. 16:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF ALI SHAMSIDDEEN, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Said item was tabled by the Administration until the next Special Council meeting to be held on January 25, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPOINT CHARLES TAYLOR TO THE JACKSON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (JRA) BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Redevelopment Authority Board consists of seven (7) members nominated by the Mayor for a term of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the term has expired for the Ward Two representative, leaving a vacancy for that seat; and

WHEREAS, Charles Taylor of Ward Two, after evaluation of his qualifications, has been nominated by the Mayor to fill this vacancy.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor's appointment of Charles Taylor to the Jackson Redevelopment Authority Board be confirmed with said term to expire October 11, 2026.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO BEGLEY LAW FIRM, PLLC.

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2020, the City Council authorized the Office of the City Attorney to incur expenses in connection with its pursuit of the claims owed to it by eXpert Professional Solutions (“xPs”); and

WHEREAS, on or before February 27, 2020, the Office of the City Attorney retained the services of the Begley Law Firm, PLLC, specifically Samuel L. Begley, Esq. to represent the interest of the City of Jackson in City of Jackson v. Expert Professional Solutions, LLC, et. al, County Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, Cause No.20-849; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2020, the City Council authorized approval of a professional legal services engagement with the Begley Law Firm, specifically Samuel L. Begley, Esq. in the amount of \$48,000.00 and on May 11, 2021, the City Council authorized approval of an amendment in the amount of an additional \$30,000.00 to the prior agreement for professional legal services agreement resulting in a total agreed upon amount of \$78,000.00.

WHEREAS, the prior authorization for professional legal services agreement expired September 30, 2021, however, the Begley Law Firm, specifically Samuel L. Begley, Esq., continued to represent the City of Jackson in City of Jackson v. Expert Professional Solutions, LLC, et. al, County Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, Cause No.20-849 by appearing before the City Council November 9th and November 11th, and representing the interests of the city during the November 15th through November 16th; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney confirms professional legal services were performed after September 30, 2021 and Begley Law Firm, specifically Samuel L. Begley confirms the services were necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-7-57(2), no governing authority shall let contracts or purchase commodities or equipment except in the manner provided by law; nor shall any governing authority ratify any such contract or purchase...or pay for the same out of public funds unless such contract or purchase was made in the manner provided by law; provided however, that any vendor who, in good faith, delivers commodities or printing or performs any services under a contract to or for the governing authority, shall be entitled to recover the fair market value of such commodities, printing or services, notwithstanding some error or failure by the governing authority to follow the law, if the contract was for an object authorized by law and the vendor had no control of, participation in, or actual knowledge of the error or failure by the governing authority; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney recommends payment of the November 26, 2021 final invoice in the amount of \$11,237.50 to Begley Law Firm, PLLC for professional legal services provided between August 6, 2021 and November 26, 2021.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Office of the City Attorney is authorized to provide payment to Begley Law Firm, PLLC for professional legal services provided between August 6, 2021 and November 26, 2021 in the amount of \$11,237.50.

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

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

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 53, 54 and 28 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDER APPROVING CO-SPONSORSHIP, WITH THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, OF THE AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT APPLICATION; APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0037-061-2022 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR PURPOSES DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE JACKSON-MEDGAR WILEY EVERS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, INCLUDING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES AND DEBT SERVICES PAYMENTS; AUTHORIZATION OF THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT AGREEMENTS; AND ADOPTION AND RATIFICATION OF ALL ACTS BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SECURE SAID GRANT FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (“JMAA”) has applied to the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”), for an Airport Rescue Grant for purposes directly related to the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (“JAN”), including the reimbursement of certain operational and maintenance expenses and debt service payments; and

WHEREAS, in response to JMAA’s application, the FAA offered to JMAA Airport Rescue Grant Offer NO. 3-28-0037-061-2022 (the “AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT”) in an amount not-to-exceed Six Million, One Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty-One Dollars (\$6,149,581.00) with certain employee retention requirements; and

WHEREAS, through its Chief Executive Officer, JMAA has accepted the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER; and

WHEREAS, the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0037-061-2022 provides for maintenance of safe and efficient airport operations at JAN; specifically, AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT funds must be used for costs related to operations, personnel, cleaning, sanitization, janitorial services, combating the spread of pathogens at the airport, debt service payments, and to otherwise prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in order for JMAA to receive the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT, the FAA requires that the City of Jackson, Mississippi (“City”), as the local government sponsor of JMAA, execute multiple copies of the Airport Rescue Grant Agreement with the FAA, as the City has previously done with respect to other grants to JMAA from the FAA; and

WHEREAS, as the local government sponsor of JMAA, the City must authorize the Mayor and City Attorney of the City to execute the Airport Rescue Grant Agreements to activate the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT; and

WHEREAS, the FAA circulated the Airport Rescue Grant Agreement for execution by the Mayor and the City Attorney prior to obtaining the City’s resolution authorizing such action, and the FAA nevertheless requires that such resolution and action be authorized, approved, and ratified.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi that the City, acting as the local government sponsor of JMAA, hereby approves and accepts AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0037-061-2022, for purposes directly related to the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport, including the reimbursement of certain operational and maintenance expenses as previously stated hereinabove and certain debt service payments; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor, or his designee, and the City Attorney of the City are authorized to execute and certify, respectively, on behalf of the City, as Co-Sponsor with JMAA, multiple copies of the Airport Rescue Grant Agreement with the FAA, in connection with FAA AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0037-061-2022, which provides for

maintaining safe and efficient airport operations at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all acts by the Mayor and the City Attorney of the City of Jackson, Mississippi to secure the grant funds in accordance with FAA AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0037-061-2022 are hereby approved, adopted, and ratified; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no funds of the City of Jackson, Mississippi are to be expended in connection herewith.

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

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

ORDER APPROVING CO-SPONSORSHIP, WITH THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, OF THE AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT APPLICATION; APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0038-026-2022 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR PURPOSES DIRECTLY RELATED TO HAWKINS FIELD AIRPORT, INCLUDING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN OPERATIONAL AND, MAINTENANCE EXPENSES AND DEBT SERVICES PAYMENTS; AUTHORIZATION OF THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT AGREEMENTS; AND ADOPTION AND RATIFICATION OF ALL ACTS BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SECURE SAID GRANT FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (“JMAA”) has applied to the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”), for an Airport Rescue Grant for purposes directly related to Hawkins Field Airport (“HKS”), including the reimbursement of certain operational and maintenance expenses and debt service payments; and

WHEREAS, in response to JMAA’s application, the FAA offered to JMAA Airport Rescue Grant Offer NO. 3-28-0038-026-2022 (the “AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT”) in an amount not-to-exceed Fifty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$59,000.00); and

WHEREAS, through its Chief Executive Officer, JMAA has accepted the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER; and

WHEREAS, the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0038-026-2022 provides for maintenance of safe and efficient airport operations at HKS; specifically, AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT funds must be used for costs related to operations, personnel, cleaning, sanitization, janitorial services, combating the spread of pathogens at the airport, debt service payments, and to otherwise prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in order for JMAA to receive the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT, the FAA requires that the City of Jackson, Mississippi (“City”), as the local government sponsor of JMAA, execute multiple copies of the Airport Rescue Grant Agreement with the FAA, as the City has previously done with respect to other grants to JMAA from the FAA; and

WHEREAS, as the local government sponsor of JMAA, the City must authorize the Mayor and City Attorney of the City to execute the Airport Rescue Grant Agreements to activate the AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT; and

WHEREAS, the FAA circulated the Airport Rescue Grant Agreement for execution by the Mayor and the City Attorney prior to obtaining the City’s resolution authorizing such action, and the FAA nevertheless requires that such resolution and action be authorized, approved, and ratified.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi that the City, acting as the local government sponsor of JMAA, hereby approves and accepts AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0038-026-2022, for purposes directly related to Hawkins Field Airport, including the reimbursement of certain operational and maintenance expenses as previously stated hereinabove and certain debt service payments.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor, or his designee, and the City Attorney of the City are authorized to execute and certify, respectively, on behalf of the City, as Co-Sponsor with JMAA, multiple copies of the Airport Rescue Grant Agreement with the FAA, in connection with FAA AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0038-026-2022, which provides for maintaining safe and efficient airport operations at the Hawkins Field Airport.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all acts by the Mayor and the City Attorney of the City of Jackson, Mississippi to secure the grant funds in accordance with FAA AIRPORT RESCUE GRANT OFFER NO. 3-28-0038-026-2022 are hereby approved, adopted, and ratified.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no funds of the City of Jackson, Mississippi are to be expended in connection herewith.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A FACILITY USE AGREEMENT WITH THE JXN MUSIC GROUP AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR (\$10,000.00) VENUE RENTAL FEE, TO ASSIST WITH THE JACKSON SOULFUL SERIES JXN FEST EVENT, TO BE HELD AT BUDDY BUTTS PARK, MAY 25-31, 2022.

WHEREAS, JXN Fest will be a three (3) day multi-genre music festival celebrating Jackson, Mississippi, from May 27 – May 29, 2022; and

WHEREAS, JXN Fest is designed to be a huge asset for the City of Jackson; and will be based on local businesses and artists, drawing national attention to Jackson, due to the big-time headliners that will also perform; and

WHEREAS, JXN Music Group (JMG) will pay Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for venue rental (including standard park upkeep) to have exclusive access to Buddy Butts Park, from May 25 – May 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, JXN Music Group (JMG) has proposed the following for the Buddy Butts Park venue, as listed below:

1.	JMG will pay a Ten Thousand Dollar (\$10,000) venue fee, to secure Buddy Butts Park.
2.	Through a third party User JMG will hire a contractor and/or contractors, to perform necessary additional infrastructure in preparation of the event including: a) Any additional or non-standard landscaping maintenance starting three (3) months prior to the event. b) Non-standard beautification of the park, one (1) month prior to the event.
3.	A full security team will be provided by Cobra Security, paid for by JXN Music Group.
4.	Bathrooms will be provided by JXN Music Group.
5.	JXN Music Group will promote all that Buddy Butts Park has to offer, in addition to promoting the venue.

WHEREAS, the Department believes executing this agreement is in the best interest of the City of Jackson.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement and all other necessary documents, for a Facility Use Agreement with JXN Music Group, for the acceptance of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), to have exclusive access to Buddy Butts Park, from May 25 – May 31, 2022, to host a three (3) day JXN Fest, May 27 – May 30, 2022.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Ison Harris, Director of Parks and Recreation**, who recommended an amendment removing “TO ASSIST WITH THE JACKSON SOULFUL SERIES JXN FEST EVENT” from the title.

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Stokes** who moved; seconded by **Vice President Lee**, to amend said order to reflect recommendation made by **Ison Harris, Director of Parks and Recreation**. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

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

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

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI TO EXTEND TO JULY 1, 2027, THE JACKSON CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU AND THE ONE PERCENT (1%) LEVY OF A TOURIST AND CONVENTION TAX ON RESTAURANTS, HOTELS, AND MOTELS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE JACKSON CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU.

WHEREAS, an act to amend Chapter 909, Local and Private Laws of 1999, as amended by Chapter 941, Local and Private Laws of 2004, as amended by Chapter 958, Local and Private Laws of 2008, as amended by Chapter 954, Local and Private Laws of 2011, as amended by Chapter 937, Local and Private Laws of 2015, was last amended by Chapter 954, Local and Private Laws of 2019, to extend until July 1, 2022, the repeal date on the provisions of law that create the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau and provide the authority to impose a one percent (1%) tax on the gross proceeds of sales of restaurants, hotels and motels for the purpose of providing funds for the bureau; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of law that create the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau and impose a tax on the gross proceeds of sales of restaurants, hotels, and motels for the purpose of providing funds for the bureau is set to repeal on July 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, wishes to extend the provisions of law that create the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau and provide the authority to impose a one percent (1%) tax on the gross proceeds of sales of restaurants, hotels and motels for the purpose of providing funds for the bureau.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi: That we hereby adopt this Resolution to declare the wish of the Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, to amend Chapter 909, Local and Private Laws of 1999, last amended by Chapter 954 Local and Private Laws of 2018, to extend to July 1, 2027, the repeal date on the provisions of law that create the Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau and provide the authority to impose a tax on the gross proceeds of sales of restaurants, hotels and motels for the purpose of providing funds for the bureau.

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

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

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING APPLICANT AGENT FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2020, a local emergency was declared by the governing authorities of the City of Jackson, Mississippi due to extensive flooding from the Pearl River; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, a local emergency was declared by the governing authorities of the City of Jackson, Mississippi due to the Covid-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in order for the City of Jackson, Mississippi to receive public assistance from the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, an applicant agent must be designated to act on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, the applicant agent cannot be the Certifying Official, which is Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends Tiffany Murray be designated as the Applicant Agent for Public Assistance.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Tiffany Murray is designated as the Applicant Agent for Public Assistance for the declared local emergencies on February 14, 2020 and March 13, 2020, respectively.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 Reporting Form, Designation of Applicant Agent for Public Assistance Form, State-Local Disaster Assistance Agreement, and any and all other documents related to the same.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba**, who recommended an amendment changing the name Tiffany Murray to Fidelis Malembeka in the 5th Whereas clause.

President Lindsay recognized **Vice President Lee** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Grizzell**, to amend said order to reflect the recommendation made by **Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba**. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

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

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WHEREAS, the applicant agent cannot be the Certifying Official, which is Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends Fidelis Malembeka be designated as the Applicant Agent for Public Assistance.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Fidelis Malembeka is designated as the Applicant Agent for Public Assistance for the declared local emergencies on February 14, 2020 and March 13, 2020, respectively.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 Reporting Form, Designation of Applicant Agent for Public Assistance Form, State-Local Disaster Assistance Agreement, and any and all other documents related to the same.

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH KAOTIC MUZIK GROUP TO PROVIDE CINEMATOGRAPHY AND PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES FOR DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY TO BE HELD ON DECEMBER 9, 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 applied and received grant funding from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation to create opportunities for workforce development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson will host its 11th Annual Doing Business with the City (DBWTC) to provide an arena for minority and women-owned business enterprises, contractor, subcontractors to network, and learn about City updates, processes, and community development projects; and

WHEREAS, DBWTC will bring into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the municipality by educating and providing an opportunity for Sponsors, Developers, Prime Contractors, and Minority Business Enterprises to network and build relationships as a means of inclusivity and capacity building by meeting with City leaders about the City processes and upcoming community development projects; and

WHEREAS, DBWTC will occur on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at the Jackson Convention Complex; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is desirous to retain professional services to provide cinematography and photography at the Jackson Convention Complex for DBWTC; and

WHEREAS, Kaotic Muzik Group (KMG) will provide cinematography and photography services for Doing Business with the City (DBWTC) at the Jackson Convention Complex on Thursday, December 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, KMG will provide cinematography services for three hours at a rate of \$185.00 for a total of \$555.00 and photography services for three hours at a rate of \$200.00 for a total of \$600.00; and

WHEREAS, the total cost to the City of Jackson for cinematography and photography services is \$1,155.00 which will be paid from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation-funded project, Economic Pathways to Human Dignity Building: Occupational Opportunities & Economic Growth.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to enter into an agreement with Kaotic Muzik Group (KMG) to provide cinematography and photography services at the Jackson Convention Complex on Thursday, December 9, 2021 for Doing Business with the City, with the term of this agreement to commence upon execution and to expire on December 9, 2021, totaling One Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars and No Cents (\$1,155.00).

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AWARDING A MATCHING GRANT TO STEWPOT COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC., FOR THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY SHELTER SERVICES DURING SEVERE WEATHER, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND STEWPOT COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF THE SAME.

WHEREAS, Section 21-19-65 of the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended, grants the governing authorities of a municipality to expend monies from the municipal general funds to match any other funds for the purpose of supporting social and community service programs including child and adult emergency shelters; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is committed to ensuring that homeless persons are housed during severe weather periods; and

WHEREAS, Stewpot Community Services Inc. is eligible to receive matching funds from the City of Jackson and provided confirmation of the availability of other funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson desires to award a matching grant on a reimbursement basis, to Stewpot Community Services, Inc for staffing the Emergency Shelter during severe weather periods; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such services will be dependent on the number of severe weather days that occur during the winter months, the cost should not exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000); and

WHEREAS, upon award of the matching grant, the City of Jackson shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding(“MOU”) with Stewpot Community Services, Inc. to open the Opportunity Center Day Shelter when temperatures reach 40 degrees or lower; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services recommends the execution of an MOU with Stewpot Community Services, Inc.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that a matching grant, on a reimbursement basis, in an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) is hereby awarded to Stewpot Community Services, Inc., for the operation of an Emergency Shelter at the Opportunity Center Day Shelter during FY 2021-2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a MOU between the City of Jackson and Stewpot Community Services, Inc. for the operation of the Emergency Shelter at Opportunity Center Day Shelter, as well as any and all documents related thereto, during the winter months of FY 2021-2022.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

Note: Council Member Foote left the meeting.

ORDER RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES STRONG SOUTHERN COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE (SSCI) REQUEST FOR MICRO-GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH VARIOUS COMMUNITY PARTNERS ENGAGED IN THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES RELATED TO THE GRANT.

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services has a need to provide educational support through an objective coach; and

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities Strong Southern Communities Initiative (SSCI) micro-grant will provide funding for a coach to work directly with teachers, students, and parents in the City of Jackson Early Childhood Centers; and

WHEREAS, said application was submitted in a timely manner requesting federal funds in the amount of \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services is now seeking City Council's approval to ratify the submission of the application for funding; and

WHEREAS, the application submission included provisions that require Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the City of Jackson and partnering organizations; and

WHEREAS, it has been generally held through Mississippi Case Law and Attorney General Opinions that governing authorities are not "required", but "recommended" to follow competitive bid requirements in the procurement of personal or professional service contracts and pursuant to Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-7-57(2), no governing authority shall let contracts or purchase commodities or equipment except in the manner provided by law; nor shall any governing authority ratify any such contract or purchase...or pay for the same out of public funds unless such contract or purchase was made in the manner provided by law; provided however, that any vendor who, in good faith, delivers commodities or printing or performs any services under a contract to or for the governing authority, shall be entitled to recover the fair market value of such commodities, printing or services, notwithstanding some error or failure by the governing authority to follow the law, if the contract was for an object authorized by law and the vendor had no control of, participation in, or actual knowledge of the error or failure by the governing authority; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City of Jackson to enter into a MOU with the partnering organizations.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the submission of a grant application to the National League of Cities Strong Southern Communities Initiative (SSCI) micro-grant application funding is hereby ratified and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a MOU with the partnering organizations.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Foote.

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WHEREAS, the National League of Cities Strong Southern Communities Initiative (SSCI) micro-grant will provide funding for a coach to work directly with teachers, students, and parents in the City of Jackson Early Childhood Centers; and

WHEREAS, said application was submitted in a timely manner requesting federal funds in the amount of \$2,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services is now seeking City Council's approval to ratify the submission of the application for funding; and

WHEREAS, the application submission included provisions that require Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the City of Jackson and partnering organizations; and

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Foote.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI AND HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI FOR THE SUBMISSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2021 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$247,212.00.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has been awarded a grant for the Fiscal Year 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial (JAG); and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Implementation Grant Program requires no matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the grant will assist the Jackson Police Department in the Purchase of six (6) Patrol SUVs fully equipped and with lights and sirens for patrol operations. Also, Hinds County will receive \$30,000.00 for the purchase of (1) SUV; and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor’s is authorized to accept this award for the FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial (JAG) Program for the amount of \$247,212.00 and that the Mayor is further authorized to accept said award and enter into an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi and Hinds County, Mississippi.

IT IS FURTHERED ORDERED that the Mayor or his designee be authorized to execute any and all documents necessary for the acceptance and administration of said grant award. All applications and other required documents which may have been executed by the Mayor or his designee prior to the approval of this order are hereby ratified.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Foote.

Note: Council Member Foote returned to the meeting.

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 32 and 37 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, LLC, FOR POLE ATTACHMENTS RELATED TO REAL-TIME CRIME CENTER CAMERAS ON STRUCTURES OWNED BY ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, LLC.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is installing public safety cameras, where possible, on city-owned structures throughout the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Entergy Mississippi, LLC has agreed to allow cameras that are not able to be located on city-owned structures to be attached to property owned by Entergy Mississippi, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Entergy Mississippi, LLC requires an agreement in order for any entity, including the City of Jackson, to attach a device to its structures; and

WHEREAS, the City agrees to install the cameras in accordance with Entergy Mississippi, LLC's Third Party Limited Pole Attachment Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Entergy Mississippi, LLC agrees to waive the administrative fee of \$1,000.00 per application for the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Entergy Mississippi, LLC has also agreed to charge a one-time attachment fee of \$250.00 per pole and will place the meters covered under the agreement on a collective bill; and

WHEREAS, the Third Party Limited Pole Attachment Agreement(s) shall continue in effect until canceled by Entergy Mississippi, LLC upon proper notice under the terms of the agreement or the City removes the attachment at such time as it is no longer needed.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the Third Party Limited Pole Attachment Agreement(s) and related documents with Entergy Mississippi, LLC allowing pole attachments related to real time crime center cameras at a one-time cost of \$250.00 per pole.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the agreement(s) shall continue in effect until canceled by Entergy Mississippi, LLC upon proper notice under the terms of the agreement(s) or the City removes the attachment at such time as it is no longer need.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL DESIGN ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EJES, INCORPORATED TO ASSIST WITH REHABILITATION OF THE SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Department of Public Work's needs professional design engineering and construction administration services to assist with rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer collection system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Public Works issued a RFP for professional design engineering and construction administration services to assist the City with rehabilitating the sanitary sewer collection system; and

WHEREAS, EJES, Incorporated submitted a proposal and received the highest score from the evaluation committee to provide professional engineering and construction administration services for rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer collection system; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works negotiated a fee proposal with EJES, Incorporated for the requested scope of services in an amount not to exceed \$3,188,030.00; and

WHEREAS, EJES, Incorporated will provide the engineering services for the design and construction phase of wastewater collection system rehabilitation, which include design of open cut point repairs, CIPP pipe lining, manhole rehabilitation, pipe bursting, incidental road repairs from construction in the sewer basin areas as appropriate for construction which is based on the Facilities Plan for the City of Jackson of Areas 3-6, 3-10, 4-1, and 4-4; and

WHEREAS, EJES, Incorporated will provide design services for sanitary sewer rehabilitation in Areas 3-6, 3-10, 4-1, 4-4 consisting of 314,572 linear feet of sewer line and 1386 manholes; and

WHEREAS, EJES, Incorporated, during the design phase of the project will prepare four submittals for each of the four construction contracts of the project, preliminary (30% and 60%) and Final (90% and 100%); and

WHEREAS, EJES, Incorporated, during the construction phase, will provide bid services, including attendance at a pre-bid meeting, responses to requests for information from potential bidders on the construction projects, and preparation of the bid tabulation and award recommendations, and will provide the preparation of the record drawings; and

WHEREAS, EJES, Incorporated, also during the construction phase, will provide construction engineering, administration, and inspection services for each of the four construction contracts awarded, including a full-time construction project inspector for each of the four projects for 332 days, attendance at four preconstruction meetings, scheduling and attendance at 16 bi-weekly project meetings, review of 20 shop drawings and submittals, review of as-built video of CIPP work, resolution of up to 12 variances between field conditions and plans, provide recommendations on up to 8 change order requests, preparation and recommendation of monthly pay estimates for each project, coordination of project acceptance and closeout with regulators, and field surveying; and

WHEREAS, EJES, Incorporated will provide professional surveying services on an as-needed basis through a subcontractor at a 10% mark up in an amount included in the contract price of up to \$147,000; and

WHEREAS, the following services are specifically excluded from the scope of service:

- Roadway design (roadway patching of cuts is included);
- Environmental services;
- Property acquisition services or property easement exhibits;
- Obtaining rights of entry;
- Complex utility relocations;
- Drainage design or modification;
- Coordination with other municipalities or entities;
- CCTV services;
- Subsurface utility engineering; and

Any service not specifically mentioned in the proposed scope of work provided by EJES, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends the City of Jackson enter into a professional engineering and construction administration services agreement with EJES, Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$3,188,030.00.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with EJES, Incorporated for professional engineering and construction administration services to assist in the rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer collection system in an amount not to exceed \$3,188,030.00.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. TO PROVIDE TASERS FOR POLICE OFFICERS THIS TECHNOLOGY WILL ENHANCE THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR YEARS TO COME.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Jackson, Mississippi (“City”) and the Jackson Police Department (“JPD”) that the City enter in to a Master Services and Purchasing Agreement (hereinafter referred to as “contract”) with Axon Enterprise, Inc. (“Axon”), a technology company which sales and services tasers for law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Axon Enterprise Taser program will assist the JPD in its efforts to fight crime and provide JPD officers with the best law enforcement equipment for the needs of the communities JPD serve; and

WHEREAS, a description of the services and equipment to be purchased, as well as the payment schedule, is denoted in the attached quotation from Axon attached hereto and incorporated herein as “Exhibit A”, and said exhibit shall be considered a part of this order for all purposes; and

WHEREAS, Axon, is the sole source for TASER brand conducted electrical weapons (CEWs) and Axon brand products. Axon is also the sole distributor of all Axon brand products in the USA and the sole distributor of all TASER brand products in the States of AR, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, VA, VI, VT, WI, WV, and the District of Columbia. Axon is also the sole developer and offeror of the Evidence.com data management services; and

WHEREAS, the Evidence.com data management system is a secured centralized digital evident management system which will automatically accept data from the Axon taser; and

WHEREAS, Axon has provided written verification that it is the sole source provider of the taser equipment, accessories, and evidence management system to be purchased. Further, the conditions and circumstances require the purchase of the aforementioned equipment and services; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the items purchased and subject to the Master Services and Purchasing Agreement is \$1,166,774.28 to be paid in five payments over a 5-year period, The Year 1 payment of \$93,341.94 being due in December 2021. The remaining balance would be paid in installments of \$288,358.08 due in December of the following four years.

IT IS, HEREBY, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to accept and execute a contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the above-described Axon Enterprise Taser program with the aggregate cost not to exceed \$1,166,774.28 which shall be paid over a five year term as described above.

IT IS FURTHERED ORDERED that the Mayor, or his designee(s), be authorized to execute any and all documents necessary for the acceptance and administration of said contract.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ALL ABOUT ANIMALS, INC., TO PROVIDE VETERINARY CARE TO ANY AND ALL ANIMALS LOCATED AT THE JACKSON ZOO, FOR THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,700.00) PER MONTH, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Zoo and Department of Parks and Recreation desires to retain All About Animals, Inc., to ensure veterinary services are continued at the Jackson Zoo, by a licensed veterinarian, practicing veterinary care, as needed; and

WHEREAS, All About Animals, Inc., is a veterinary clinic owned and operated by Drs. Michael and Rebecca Holifield; and

WHEREAS, All About Animals, Inc., will provide veterinary care when necessary, to animals located at the Jackson Zoo, for the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$2,700.00) per month, which includes the cost for drugs; and

WHEREAS, veterinary services rendered at the Jackson Zoo will begin November 1, 2021 and end October 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, veterinary services may necessarily have been rendered and/or prior to this order being submitted for approval; and

WHEREAS, it has been generally held through Mississippi Case Law and Attorney General Opinions that governing authorities are not "required", but "recommended" to follow competitive bid requirements in the procurement of personal or professional service contracts and pursuant to Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-7-57(2), no governing authority shall let contracts or purchase commodities or equipment except in the manner provided by law; nor shall any governing authority ratify any such contract or purchase...or pay for the same out of public funds unless such contract or purchase was made in the manner provided by law; provided however, that any vendor who, in good faith, delivers commodities or printing or performs any services under a contract to or for the governing authority, shall be entitled to recover the fair market value of such commodities, printing or services, notwithstanding some error or failure by the governing authority to follow the law, if the contract was for an object authorized by law and the vendor had no control of, participation in, or actual knowledge of the error or failure by the governing authority; and

WHEREAS, in the event the Jackson Zoo does not have sufficient or adequate facilities for a particular procedure, veterinarian(s) will take the animals to their clinic to perform the necessary services, at no extra cost to the Jackson Zoo; and

WHEREAS, veterinarian(s) agree to visit the Jackson Zoo weekly to check on animals and determine if treatment is needed by the Veterinarian, the Animal Curator and/or Veterinarian Technician.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED veterinary services are ratified and/or authorized to be provided for November 1, 2021 thru October 31, 2022, by All About Animals, Inc., for the continuous care of animals at the Jackson Zoo.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the City is hereby authorized to make payments to All About Animals, Inc., in the amount of Two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$2,700.00) per month, not exceeding an aggregate amount of Thirty-two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$32,400.00) which includes cost of any and all drugs necessary in the treatment of any animal located at the Jackson Zoo.

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

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AMENDING THE AUGUST 31, 2021 ORDER AND 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 INCREASING THE SUB-AWARD GRANT FROM \$132,431.00 TO \$165,540.00 TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE CITY'S SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER.

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development, Business Entrepreneurial Assistance Team, partnered with the Mississippi Small Business Development Center, to assist small business owners in increasing their capacity through the provision of information, management and technical assistance; and

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, on August 31, 2021, the governing authorities authorized 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 to receive a sub-award grant in the amount of \$132,431.00; 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 in the amount of \$3,750; 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, Mississippi Small Business Development Center State Office to increase the sub-award grant from \$132,431.00 to \$165,540.00 which consist of Federal increase of \$3,750.00, State and Local in-kind \$26,348.00, Direct \$30,098.00 and Indirect \$3,010.00; and

WHEREAS, any matching funds required from the City 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.

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 to increase the sub-award grant from \$132,431.00 to \$165,540.00.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH STEWPOT COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC., TO USE CARES ACT FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO PREPARE, PREVENT, AND RESPOND TO THE CORONAVIRUS FOR EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2019, the City Council adopted an Order, recorded in Minute Book 6P, Pages 362-363, authorizing the Mayor to submit the City of Jackson’s 2019 One-Year Action Plan of the 2015-2019, Consolidated Plan, consisting of the City’s CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA components, to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”); and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”) (Public Law 116-136) was enacted on March 27, 2020 in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, HUD allocated supplemental funding to the City of Jackson to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2020, the Office of Housing and Community Development was notified of additional supplemental funding of \$1,444,552.00 in Emergency Solutions Grants ESG CARES Act Round 2 funding; and

WHEREAS, eligible activities related to the ESG CARES Act Funding include: Emergency Shelter, Rapid Rehousing, Street Outreach, Homelessness Prevention, and Homeless Management Information System; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2020, the City Council adopted an Order, recorded in Minute Book 6R, Pages 546-547 authorizing that notice be provided to the public that the City of Jackson is considering Amendment Number 2 to its 2019 One-Year Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Housing and Community Development recommends that the Mayor be authorized to execute the contract and related documents with Stewpot Community Services, Inc. to expend ESG CARES Act funds in an amount not to exceed \$27,000.00 to provide Hazard Pay to employees operating the emergency shelter, entering data, and maintaining the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), allowing Stewpot Community Services, Inc. to prepare, prevent and respond to the Coronavirus in the City of Jackson’s Metropolitan Statistical Area, beginning March 31, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the contract and related documents with Stewpot Community Services, Inc. to expend ESG CARES Act funds in an amount not to exceed \$27,000.00, for Emergency Shelter activities to prepare, prevent and respond to the Coronavirus in the City of Jackson beginning March 31, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AN RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH STEWPOT COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC., TO USE CARES ACT FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) TO PREPARE, PREVENT, AND RESPOND TO THE CORONAVIRUS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2019, the City Council adopted an Order, recorded in Minute Book 6P, Pages 362-363 authorizing the Mayor to submit the City of Jackson’s 2019 One-Year Action Plan of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, consisting of the City’s CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA components, to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”) (Public Law 116-136) was enacted on March 27, 2020 in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development allocated supplemental funding to the City of Jackson to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2020, the Office of Housing and Community Development was notified of supplemental funding in the following amounts: \$1,101,225.00; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2020, the City Council adopted an Order, recorded in Minute Book 6R, Page 135 that notice be given to the public that the City of Jackson is considering Amendment Number 2 to its 2015-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan and Amendment Number 1 to the 2019 One-Year Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2020, the City received notification that it had been awarded supplemental funding in the amount of \$1,467,283.00; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2020, the City Council adopted an Order, recorded in Minute Book 6R, Page 707, that notice be given to the public that the City of Jackson is considering Amendment Number 3 to its 2015-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development, through its Office of Housing and Community Development Division, recommends that the Mayor be authorized to execute the contract and related documents with Stewpot Community Services, Inc. to expend the CDBG CARES Act funds in an amount not to exceed \$336,000.00 to prepare, prevent and respond to the Coronavirus in the City of Jackson; and

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract and related documents with Stewpot Community Services, Inc. to expend CDBG CARES Act funds in an amount not to exceed \$336,000.00 to prepare, prevent and respond to the Coronavirus in the City of Jackson.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH HINDS COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCE AGENCY TO PROVIDE A TRANSIT WAIVER TO HINDS COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCE AGENCY TO TRANSPORT HINDS COUNTY RE-ENTRY PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS THROUGHOUT HINDS COUNTY, INCLUDING THE CITY OF JACKSON METRO AREA.

WHEREAS, in addition to housing and employment, transportation is one of the three things people need when they leave the prison system; and

WHEREAS, Hinds County Human Resource Agency is engaged in a contractual agreement under the Federal Transit Administration Rural Areas Program to transport passengers enrolled in the Hinds County Re-Entry Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is the designated recipient of the Federal Transit Administration Urbanized Area Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development, through its Transit Division, and Hinds County Human Resource Agency agree that Hinds County's Re-Entry Program participants may live in the City of Jackson metro area and may need transportation throughout Hinds County, including the City of Jackson metro area; and

WHEREAS, the Transit Division is recommending that a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") be executed granting a transit waiver to Hinds County Human Resource Agency to transport Hinds County Re-Entry Program participants throughout Hinds County, including the City of Jackson metro area; and

WHEREAS, the parties do not anticipate or propose a monetary exchange in carrying out the terms of the MOU; and

WHEREAS, the MOU represents transparency and acknowledgment of transit activities by Hinds County Human Resource Agency in and around the transit authority area of JTRAN; and

WHEREAS, the Transit Division recommends that the City enter into the MOU to provide a transit waiver to Hinds County Human Resource Agency specifically for the purpose of transporting persons enrolled in Hinds County Re-Entry Program for a period of one (1) year, with the option to extend for three (3) years.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding and related documents between the City of Jackson and Hinds County Human Resource Agency to provide transportation to participants enrolled in the Hinds County Re-Entry Program for a period of one (1) year, with the option to extend for three (3) years.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE PURCHASE ORDERS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS TO PROCURE TEN (10) MOBILE SURVEILLANCE CAMERA SYSTEMS FROM ANGELTRAX TO BE INSTALLED IN THE TEN (10) NEW BUSES PURCHASED AND RECEIVED FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (JTRAN).

WHEREAS, on January 15, 2019, the City of Jackson issued a Request for Proposals for the procurement, installation and maintenance of a mobile surveillance camera system for the City of Jackson’s public transportation system (JTRAN) active fleet; and

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2019, found at Minute Book 6P, Page 327, the governing authorities authorized the Mayor to execute an agreement with AngelTrax to provide the mobile surveillance camera system from July 1, 2019 to June 31, 2022, with an option to renew for an additional two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Master Purchase Agreement executed by the Mayor and AngelTrax on August 13, 2019, AngelTrax is the sole source manufacturer and sole source provider of all mobile video surveillance systems and system components distributed under the AngelTrax and Vulcan Series brand names; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson recently purchased ten (10) new buses that require mobile surveillance camera system; and

WHEREAS, as the manufacturer and provider of the mobile video surveillance systems and system components used in the City of Jackson’s public transportation system (JTRAN) active fleet, AngelTrax has agreed to provide the necessary mobile surveillance camera system at the total cost of \$41,718.10; and

WHEREAS, the cost to procure the mobile surveillance camera system is covered by FTA funds (100%); and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the mobile surveillance camera systems from AngelTrax pursuant to the Master Purchase Agreement shall not be construed as obligating the City to purchase additional mobile surveillance camera systems from AngelTrax or creating an exclusive supplier relationship with AngelTrax.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the purchase orders and related documents required to purchase ten (10) mobile surveillance camera systems from AngelTrax pursuant to the Master Purchase Agreement at a total cost of \$41,718.10.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that 100% of the sum of \$41,718.10 may be expended from the available FTA funds from Transit’s FY22 Budget on the ten (10) mobile surveillance camera systems.

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

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

ORDER RATIFYING PURCHASE AND PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES FROM ONE (1) VENDOR AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO SAID VENDOR.

WHEREAS, the Transit Services Division of the Department of Planning and Development had need of certain necessary parts, equipment, and services necessary to the operation and maintenance of the City’s transit system; and

WHEREAS, due to exigent circumstances, the purchase and procurement of these necessary parts, equipment, and services were done without prior approval by the governing authorities; and

WHEREAS, it has been generally held through Mississippi Case Law and Attorney General Opinions that governing authorities are not “required”, but “recommended” to follow competitive bid requirements in the procurement of personal or professional service contracts and pursuant to Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-7-57(2), no governing authority shall let contracts or purchase commodities or equipment except in the manner provided by law; nor shall any governing authority ratify any such contract or purchase...or pay for the same out of public funds unless such contract or purchase was made in the manner provided by law; provided however, that any vendor who, in good faith, delivers commodities or printing or performs any services under a contract to or for the governing authority, shall be entitled to recover the fair market value of such commodities, printing or services, notwithstanding some error or failure by the governing authority to follow the law, if the contract was for an object authorized by law and the vendor had no control of, participation in, or actual knowledge of the error or failure by the governing authority; and

WHEREAS, the parts and equipment set forth in the invoices were delivered and used in the operation and maintenance of the City’s transit system; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the continued and proper operation and maintenance of the City’s transit system, the Transit Services Division is requesting that the purchases and procurement of services from one (1) vendor be ratified and authorized for payment:

	Date	Vendor Name	Purchases/Services	Amount
1.	6/25/2021	RJ Young	The City’s contract expired on 2/27/2021; but transit has been utilizing the company to provide copier service until a signed contract is processed. A new contract has been awarded and executed. This is the final invoice due to this vendor for services provided.	\$47.30
				\$47.30

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the purchase and procurement of services from one (1) vendor be authorized and payment made to RJ Young at a cost not to exceed \$47.30.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE FINAL/CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE J.H. FEWELL INFLUENT PUMP STATION PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, SRF# DWI-L250008-02.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson entered into a construction contract with Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. on August 4, 2020 for the JH Fewell Influent Pump Station Pedestrian Bridge Replacement Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,997,636.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson issued a notice to proceed for Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. to start work on November 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson City Council approved Change Order No. 1 on March 16, 2021 increasing the contract amount from \$1,997,636.00 to \$2,115,911.19; and

WHEREAS, the new construction amount decreased from \$2,115,911.19 to \$2,013,116.74 due to quantity adjustments to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends final payment in the amount of \$327.92 to Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the bonding company Federal Insurance Company, Attorney-in-fact, surety of performance of the said contract, has authorized release of payment of money due under said contract.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute Change Order No. 1 to the Construction Contract with Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for the JH Fewell Influent Pump Station Pedestrian Bridge Replacement Project, SRF# DWI-L250008-02 decreasing the contract cost from \$2,115,911.19 to \$2,013,116.74.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the City make final payment in the amount of \$327.92 and release all securities held to Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for all work completed and materials furnished under this contract, and that the City Clerk publish Notice of Completion of the JH Fewell Influent Pump Station Pedestrian Bridge Replacement Project, SRF# DWI-L250008-02.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Terry Williamson, Office of the City Attorney**, who recommended an amendment changing "Change Order No. 1" to "Change Order No. 2" in the, **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** clause.

President Lindsay recognized **Vice President Lee** who moved adoption; seconded by **Council Member Grizzell**, to amend said order to reflect the recommendation made by **Terry Williamson, Office of the City Attorney**. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE FINAL/CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE J.H. FEWELL INFLUENT PUMP STATION PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, SRF# DWI-L250008-02.

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WHEREAS, the new construction amount decreased from \$2,115,911.19 to \$2,013,116.74 due to quantity adjustments to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends final payment in the amount of \$327.92 to Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the bonding company Federal Insurance Company, Attorney-in-fact, surety of performance of the said contract, has authorized release of payment of money due under said contract.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute Change Order No. 2 to the Construction Contract with Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for the JH Fewell Influent Pump Station Pedestrian Bridge Replacement Project, SRF# DWI-L250008-02 decreasing the contract cost from \$2,115,911.19 to \$2,013,116.74.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the City make final payment in the amount of \$327.92 and release all securities held to Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for all work completed and materials furnished under this contract, and that the City Clerk publish Notice of Completion of the JH Fewell Influent Pump Station Pedestrian Bridge Replacement Project, SRF# DWI-L250008-02.

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

Nays – None.

Abstention – Stokes.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A RIGHT-OF-WAY INSTRUMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, LLC, FOR PRIMARY PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO FIRE STATION #20.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is constructing a new Fire Station #20 at 4445 Medgar Evers Boulevard to replace the existing fire station next door; and

WHEREAS, Entergy Mississippi, LLC (“Entergy”) requires an easement to install electrical service to the rear of the fire station; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and Entergy mutually agree that an easement agreement is necessary to facilitate the necessary infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, the proposed easement will be forty feet (40’) for the location, construction, reconstruction, improvements, repairs, operation, inspection, patrol, replacement and maintenance of electric power and communication facilities, or the removal thereof, now or in the future, including, but not necessarily limited to poles, cross arms, insulators, wires, cables, conduits, hardware, transformers, switches, guy wires, anchors and other equipment, structures, material, and appurtenances, non or hereafter used, useful or desires in connection therewith by Grantee over across, or under or on the City’s property; and

WHEREAS, the easement will also grant to Entergy the right to clear and keep clear vegetation within or growing into said right-of-way and the further right to remove or modify from time to time tree limbs, and/or vegetation outside the right of way which Entergy considers a hazard to any of its electric power or communications facilities or a hazard to the rendering of

adequate and dependable service to the City or any of Entergy’s customers, by use of a variety of methods used in the vegetation management industry.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a right-of-way instrument with the Entergy Mississippi, LLC for electrical service to Fire Station #20.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH VOLKERT, INC., FOR THE TERRY ROAD CANY CREEK BRIDGE PROJECT, FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. STP-7261-00(002) LPA/108071.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson received Federal FAST Act transportation funds through the Jackson MPO to replace the Terry Road bridge over Cany Creek; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson selected Volkert, Inc. to perform necessary construction engineering and inspection services for the project; and

WHEREAS, Volkert, Inc. has provided a cost estimate of \$211,744.74 to provide construction engineering and inspection services for the project.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a construction engineering and inspection services contract with Volkert, Inc. for the Terry Road Cany Creek Bridge Project, Federal Aid Project No. STP-7286-00(005) LPA/108071, for an amount not to exceed \$211,744.74.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT #1/FINAL TO THE CONTRACT OF LEWIS ELECTRIC, INC.; AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT, AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF THE SOUTH JACKSON TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT, FEDERAL AID PROJECT NUMBER STP-0250-00(049) LPA/107545.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson entered into a contract for the construction of the South Jackson Traffic Signal Project with Lewis Electric, Inc., being the lowest and best bidder; and

WHEREAS, a final inspection was held by Mississippi Department of Transportation and City of Jackson personnel with a release from all maintenance issued effective September 9 2021, and the Surety, The Hanover Insurance Company, has authorized release and payment of all monies due under this contract; and

WHEREAS, the final payment of \$23,155.00 results in a final project cost of \$558,046.98, a decrease of \$52,040.77 due to underrun of various quantities; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends approval of the final payment and the acceptance of said project.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute Supplemental Agreement #1/Final to the contract of Lewis Electric, Inc. and to issue final payment in the amount of \$23,155.00 to said contractor.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that publication of the Notice of Completion and the execution of any and all documents necessary to close out the project is authorized for the South Jackson Traffic Signal Project, Federal Aid Project STP-0250-00(049) LPA/107545.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute any documents necessary as part of the closeout of this project.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH NEEL-SCHAFFER, INC., FOR THE STATE STREET SIGNAL PROJECT, FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. STP-6928-00(014) LPA/108073.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson made application for and received FAST Act federal transportation funds through the Jackson MPO for traffic operational improvements at eight traffic signals on State Street with no required match; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson selected Neel-Schaffer, Inc. to perform necessary preliminary engineering services for the project; and

WHEREAS, Neel-Schaffer, Inc. has provided a cost estimate of \$135,721.00 to provide preliminary engineering services for the project.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a preliminary engineering services contract with Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for the State Street Signal Project, Federal Aid Project No. STP-6928-00(014) LPA/108073, for an amount not to exceed \$135,721.00.

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

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

ORDER RATIFYING THE PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT REPAIR SERVICES FROM THOMPSON BROTHERS DRILLING, INC., FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO THE TV ROAD WELL.

WHEREAS, this summer, TV Road Well pump failed, stopping all flow of water from this well into the ground water distribution system; and

WHEREAS, residents who are served by the TV Road Well were without water due to the failed pump; and

WHEREAS, because of the adverse effect on human health, the environment, and public safety, the Mayor invoked the emergency procurement process, pursuant to Section 31-7-13 (k); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the emergency procurement process, a quote was obtained from Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. to repair the failed pump and other appurtenances associated with the repair; and

WHEREAS, at its August 3, 2021 Regular Meeting, the City Council ratified the procurement of emergency repair services provided by Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. and authorized payment of an invoice for the services in the amount of \$97,335.15; and

WHEREAS, prior to the time Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. was performing the work in the invoice that was ratified on August 3, 2021, it performed emergency services relating to the same project contained in an invoice dated June 9, 2021, in an amount of \$21,885.00; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works had no record of having received the June 9, 2021 invoice prior to August 3, 2021 and, consequently, was unaware that it was outstanding at the time the other invoice was ratified on August 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. has re-submitted the June 9, 2021 invoice in an amount of \$21,885.00; and

WHEREAS, Department of Public Works confirms the work was performed and Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. confirms the services differed from the invoices billed in the amount of \$97,335.15, however, both scopes of work were part of the previously authorized Declaration Invoking the Emergency Procurement Procedure pursuant to Section 31-7-13 (k) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, a copy of said Declaration being attached and made a part of these minutes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-7-57(2), no governing authority shall let contracts or purchase commodities or equipment except in the manner provided by law; nor shall any governing authority ratify any such contract or purchase...or pay for the same out of public funds unless such contract or purchase was made in the manner provided by law; provided however, that any vendor who, in good faith, delivers commodities or printing or performs any services under a contract to or for the governing authority, shall be entitled to recover the fair market value of such commodities, printing or services, notwithstanding some error or failure by the governing authority to follow the law, if the contract was for an object authorized by law and the vendor had no control of, participation in, or actual knowledge of the error or failure by the governing authority; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends payment of the June 9, 2021 invoice in the amount of \$21,885.00 to Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. for the TV Road Well emergency repairs.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the procurement of the emergency repair services described in an Invoice dated June 9, 2021 from Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. for emergency repairs to the TV Road Well is ratified.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that payment in the amount of \$21,885.00 to Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. for emergency repairs to the TV Road Well is authorized.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., FOR THE WOODROW WILSON AVENUE SIGNAL PROJECT, FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. STP-0250-00(052) LPA/108072.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson made application for and received FAST Act federal transportation funds through the Jackson MPO for traffic operational improvements at four traffic signals on Woodrow Wilson Avenue with no required match; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson selected Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to perform necessary preliminary engineering services for the project; and

WHEREAS, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. has provided a cost estimate of \$177,166.24 to provide preliminary engineering services for the project.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a preliminary engineering services contract with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., for the Woodrow Wilson Avenue Signal Project, Federal Aid Project No. STP-0250-00(052) LPA/108072, for an amount not to exceed \$177,166.24.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH VOLKERT, INC. FOR THE MILL STREET TOWN CREEK BRIDGE PROJECT, FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. STP-7261-00(002) LPA/108070.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson received Federal FAST Act transportation funds through the Jackson MPO to replace the Mill Street bridge over Town Creek; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson selected Volkert, Inc. to perform necessary construction engineering and inspection services for the project; and

WHEREAS, Volkert, Inc. has provided a cost estimate of \$139,148.98 to provide construction engineering and inspection services for the project.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a construction engineering and inspection services contract with Volkert, Inc. for the Mill Street Town Creek Bridge Project, Federal Aid Project No. STP-7261-00(002) LPA/108070, for an amount not to exceed \$139,148.98.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTH AGREEMENT WITH THOMSON REUTERS (WESTLAW) TO PROVIDE LEGAL RESEARCH SERVICES TO BE USED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY.

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney is presently receiving Westlaw legal research services pursuant to an agreement with Thomson Reuters, which will expire on January 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, said agreement was executed on December 27, 2018 for thirty-six (36) months at a rate of \$1,798.08 per month; and

WHEREAS, Westlaw has the largest and most organized collection of legal data available; and

WHEREAS, Westlaw has proposed to continue the services for an additional thirty-six (36) months at a rate of \$2,054.40 per month for the first year, \$2,116.03 per month for the second year, and \$2,179.51 per month for the third year; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Office of the City Attorney to research federal case law in Mississippi, Fifth Circuit case law, United States Supreme Court case law, as well as federal and state case law from other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney recommends the acceptance of the thirty-six (36) month proposal from Thomson Reuters.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a 36-month agreement with Thomson Reuters (Westlaw) to provide legal research services to be used by the Office of the City Attorney, at the rate of \$2,054.40 per month for the first year, a rate of \$2,116.03 per month for the second year and a rate of \$2,179.51 per month for the third year.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI IN SUPPORT OF THE CELEBRATION OF A HAPPY NEW YEAR, 2022.

WHEREAS, the well-being of family and community shall be considered in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the holiday, referred to as New Year, marks the end of the year and time to start afresh, make new and/or evaluate decisions as we prepare for 2022; the new year has not always been celebrated on January 1st and is not recognized in some cultures; and

WHEREAS, Saturday, January 1, 2022, will be celebrated as a time for family to gather, share a delightful meal, reflect on its journey, renew personal and family commitment(s); and

WHEREAS, as the countdown to midnight begins, we admonish each person to take a moment to reflect, introspect and change or make new plans as we go forward into the New Year; and

WHEREAS, we encourage our citizens to relax, restore and recommit to investing our time and talents for the betterment of our family, community, City of Jackson, state and nation; and

WHEREAS, we wish for each citizen a safe and fulfilling New Year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Councilman Kenneth I. Stokes and his Council colleagues recognize and wish for each of you, a Happy New Year.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI IN SUPPORT OF CITIZENS OF A HAPPY AND SAFE KWANZAA CELEBRATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and the world pause to celebrate KWANZAA on December 26th through January 1st of each year; and

WHEREAS, the annual celebration is marked by community gatherings, cultural events and historical commemorations; and

WHEREAS, *KWANZAA* events are held nightly with each night being designated by a guiding principle: 1) Umoja (Unity), 2) Kujichagulia, 3) Ujima, 4) Ujamaa, 5) Nia, 6) Kuumba and 7) Imani; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council promotes safety and expresses its hope for a positive and enlightening cultural experience for all.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi encourages the Citizens of the City of Jackson to have a safe, happy *KWANZAA* celebration.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI IN SUPPORT OF THE CELEBRATION OF A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

WHEREAS, the well-being of family and community shall be considered in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the first official mention of December 25th as a holiday honoring Jesus' birthday appeared on an early Roman calendar from 336 A.D.; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Christmas spread throughout the Western world over the next several centuries; in 1870, Christmas became a federal holiday; Christians throughout the world will celebrate this day; and

WHEREAS, Saturday, December 25, 2021, will be celebrated as a time for family to: gather, focus on the center of Christmas - -the birth of Jesus, prepare and share in fellowship and food; and

WHEREAS, as we celebrate this joyous season, may we embrace ways to love and serve humankind throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, we wish each citizen a safe, joyful and peaceful Christmas, filled with love.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Councilman Kenneth I. Stokes and his Council colleagues recognize and wish for each of you, a very Merry Christmas.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI IN SUPPORT OF THE 2022 REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OBSERVANCE.

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr was born January 15, 1929 and fell to the bullet of an assassin on April 4, 1968 which saddened hearts of people throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration shall be observed January, 2022 in Jackson, MS; and

WHEREAS, minister, Nobel Peace Prize recipient, civil and human rights drum major and leader, Reverend Dr. King, Jr. was at the helm of unparalleled efforts on behalf of the poor and disenfranchised in the United States and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the entire nation and world will join in the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration, 2022; we in Jackson, Mississippi will observe through: literary contests, Youth Day at the Mississippi State Capitol, church celebrations, choir performances, crowned by an enlightening Awards Banquet, January 14, 2022; the largest Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Parade in the United States, January 15, 2022 and a Birthday Bash, January 17, 2022.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the City of Jackson is hereby authorized to support and join the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther, King, Jr. Birthday Celebration Observance, 2022.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE OF THE JACKSON CITY COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, Section 21-8-11(2) of the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended, specifies that, under the mayor-council form of government, that “regular public meetings of the council shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first day of July after the election of the members of the council that is not on a weekend and at least monthly thereafter on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in each month, or at such other times as the council by order may set; and

WHEREAS, Jackson Code of Ordinances, Section 2-62(b), states that “regular meetings of the council shall be held on every other Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. except that on the second meeting of the month, the meeting shall be held at 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-62(b) further states that at 4:00 p.m. on each Monday preceding a regular Tuesday council meeting the council will also hold a planning session to discuss the business to be considered at the following regular Tuesday council meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Clerk of the Council has determined the 2022 Regular Council Meeting Schedule of the Jackson City Council, pursuant to the above-referenced statute and ordinances, as follows:

**2022
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March 15, 2021	6:00 p.m.
March 29, 2021	10:00 a.m.
April 12, 2021	10:00 a.m.
April 26, 2021	6:00 p.m.
May 10, 2021	10:00 a.m.
May 24, 2021	6:00 p.m.
June 7, 2021	10:00 a.m.
June 21, 2021	6:00 p.m.
July 5, 2021	10:00 a.m.
July 19, 2021	6:00 p.m.
August 2, 2021	10:00 a.m.
August 16, 2021	6:00 p.m.
August 30, 2021	10:00 a.m.
September 13, 2021	10:00 a.m.
September 27, 2021	6:00 p.m.
October 11, 2021	10:00 a.m.
October 25, 2021	6:00 p.m.
November 8, 2021	10:00 a.m.
November 22, 2021	6:00 p.m.
December 6, 2021	10:00 a.m.
December 20, 2021	6:00 p.m.

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

President Lindsay recognized Vice President Lee, who stated an amendment was needed to change the year 2021 to 2022 in the meeting schedule.

President Lindsay recognized Council Member Banks who moved adoption; seconded by Vice President Lee, to amend said order to reflect the recommendation made by Vice President Lee. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

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

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE OF THE JACKSON CITY COUNCIL. (JACKSON CITY COUNCIL)

WHEREAS, Section 21-8-11(2) of the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended, specifies that, under the mayor-council form of government, that “regular public meetings of the council shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first day of July after the election of the members of the council that is not on a weekend and at least monthly thereafter on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in each month, or at such other times as the council by order may set; and

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021 10:00 A.M.

November 22, 2022	6:00 p.m.
December 6, 2022	10:00 a.m.
December 20, 2022	6:00 p.m.

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

There came on for consideration Agenda Item No. 51:

ORDER AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL ACTIONS. President Lindsay stated that said item would need to be discussed in Executive Session.

ORDER ACCEPTING THE BID OF SANSOM EQUIPMENT COMPANY, FOR A VERISIGHT PRO PLUS 60M (200FT) SYSTEM WITH WHEEL KIT, TO INSPECT DRAINAGE ISSUE THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson solicited seal competitive bids from two contractors, Sansom Equipment Company and Environmental Products Group (Florida) to purchase a Verisight Pro Plus 60M (200ft) System with Wheel Kit to inspect drainage issue throughout the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the bid received from Sansom Equipment Company in an amount of \$10,250.00 was the lowest bid and met the specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends that the governing authorities accept the bid of Sansom Equipment Company as the lowest and best bid.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the bid of Sansom Equipment Company, in an amount of \$10,250.00, is accepted as the lowest and best bid for the purchase of a Verisight Pro Plus 60M (200ft) System with Wheel Kit to inspect drainage issues throughout the City of Jackson consistent with the bid solicitation.

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

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

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 55:

DISCUSSION: New Bus Plan: President Lindsay recognized **Dr. Scott Crawford** who expressed concerns regarding the recent transit study and the information gained.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 56:

DISCUSSION: Social Workers: President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Stokes** who expressed concerns regarding the need for social workers in today’s society.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 57:

DISCUSSION: Keyshia Sanders: President Lindsay stated that said item would need to be discussed in Executive Session.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 58:

DISCUSSION: C. O. P. S. Grant: President Lindsay recognized **Fidelis Malembeka** who spoke on status of the C.O.P.S. Grant and the matching portion of the grant. **Juan Gray, Jackson Police Department** spoke to the amount of the matching portion of the grant and noted that that amount was \$168,103.00.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 59:

DISCUSSION: Solid Waste Rate Increase: President Lindsay stated that said item would be tabled until a later date.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 60:

DISCUSSION: Proposed Modified Consent Decree: President Lindsay recognized **Catoria Martin, City Attorney**, who stated that said item would be tabled until a later date.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 61:

DISCUSSION: Solid Waste Collection RFP Update: President Lindsay recognized **Catoria Martin, City Attorney**, who provided an update on the respondents to the Waste Collection RFP.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 62:

DISCUSSION: Pending Litigation: President Lindsay stated that said item would need to be discussed in executive session.

Note: Council Member Banks, Foote and Stokes left the meeting.

The following reports/announcements were provided during the meeting:

- **Vice President Lee** announced the following:
 - There will be a Ward 2 Crime Summit held at 6:00 pm on December 14, 2021 at Faith Worship and Outreach Church at 6893 Medgar Evers Blvd.
- **Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba** announced the following:
 - Annual business networking event December 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at The Jackson Convention Complex.
 - Precinct 1 COPS meeting December 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Located at 1000 Metrocenter Dr. Jackson, MS
 - Encouraged citizens to participate in the Annual Toy Drive with Jackson Police Department and Jackson Fire Department.
- **Council Member Lindsay** announced the following:
 - Encouraged citizens to attend open house for transit that would be held on December 14, 2021 at Union Station from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

President Lindsay stated that there were items that needed to be discussed in Executive Session regarding a “Personnel Matter and Pending Litigation”.

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Grizzell** who moved, seconded by **Council Member Hartley** to go into Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter and pending litigation. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

Note: Council Member Banks returned to the meeting.

President Lindsay announced to the public that the Council voted to go into Closed Session to discuss going into Executive Session regarding personnel matters and pending litigation matter.

During Closed Session, **Vice President Lee** moved, seconded by **Council Member Grizzell** to go into Executive Session regarding a personnel matter and pending litigation. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

An announced was made that the Council voted to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter and pending litigation regarding Agenda Items No. 51 and 62.

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

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

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

ORDER TERMINATING _____ AS DEPUTY CLERK OF COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson passed an ordinance on December 20, 2019, which is recorded in Minute Book 6Q on pages 319-322; and

WHEREAS, the position of Deputy Clerk of the Council was inherently established by the passage of the ordinance passed by the governing authorities on December 20, 2019; and

WHEREAS, on or before July 6, 2021, the Jackson City Council previously appointed to fill the position of Deputy Clerk of the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Deputy Clerk of Council position is at-will employment serving at the will and pleasure of the Jackson City Council; and

WHEREAS, after evaluating the lack of performance in completing regular duties assigned to the Deputy Clerk of Council, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson have determined that is not a suitable person to serve as Deputy Clerk of the Council.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that _____ shall be terminated effective December 7, 2021.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that all compensation and applicable fringe benefits paid to _____ shall be terminated.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; Council Member Hartley seconded.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Foote and Stokes.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the Special Council Meeting at 11:00 a.m. on December 14, 2021. At 1:40 p.m., the Council stood adjourned.

PREPARED BY:

Shamekia Mosley-Bondan
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:

Charles L. ... 4/5/22
MAYOR DATE

ATTEST:

Angela Harris
CITY CLERK