

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022 10:00 A.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED that a Special Meeting of the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, was convened at City Hall at 10:00 a.m. on June 21, 2022, being the third Tuesday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present: Council Members: Angelique Lee, Vice-President, Ward 2; Ashby Foote, Ward 1; Kenneth Stokes, Ward 3; Vernon Hartley, Ward 5 and Aaron Banks, Ward 6. Directors: Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor; Shanekia Mosley-Jordan, Clerk of Council, Denise Fortner, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council, Victor Allen, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Catoria Martin, City Attorney.

Absent: Brian Grizzell, Ward 4 and Virgi Lindsay, Council President, Ward 7.

The meeting was called to order by **Vice President Angelique Lee.**

The invocation was offered by **Pastor Robert Berry, Jr. of Word of Life - Poindexter**

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

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

- **Cindy Hammond** expressed concerns regarding illegal dumping on Hickory St.
- **James and Tammy Germany** expressed concerns regarding the need for sponsorship for the Mississippi Raiders Arena Football Team.
- **Keena Graham** spoke in regards to Agenda Item No. 23.
- **Will Chambliss** expressed concerns regarding high water bills and the water billing system.

Vice President Lee requested that Agenda Items No. 43, 9, 10, 11, 12, 41 and 40 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
HONORING, CELEBRATING, AND COMMENDING JAY JOHNSON FOR
YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF JACKSON.**

Vice President Lee recognized **Council Member Banks** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Hartley** to suspend the rules to allow a special recognition. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

Vice President Lee recognized **Council Member Hartley** who presented a **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI HONORING, CELEBRATING, AND COMMENDING JAY JOHNSON FOR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF JACKSON.** Accepting the Resolution with appropriate remarks was **Jay Johnson.**

Vice President Lee recognized **Council Member Banks** who presented **Lewis Ratliff**, a Certificate of Appreciation of 30+ years as City of Jackson employee. Accepting the Certificate with appropriate remarks was **Lewis Ratliff**.

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF DR. GERALDINE B. CHANEY TO THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority Board consists of (5) members; for a term of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Geraldine B. Chaney, resident of Ward 2, after evaluation of her qualifications, has been nominated by the Mayor to serve on the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority Board.

IT IS, THEREFORE ORDERED that the Mayor’s appointment of Dr. Geraldine B. Chaney to the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority Board be confirmed with a said term to expire on 5/24/2022.

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Ricky Jones, Vice Chair of JMAA**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

Vice President Lee recognized **Dr. Geraldine B. Chaney**, who gave her personal statement and answered questions posed to her by Council Members.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER RE-APPOINTING BARBARA HILLIARD TO THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Jackson Public School Board consists of seven (7) members, for a term of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 37-7-203(3), Barbara Hilliard is eligible for re-appointment; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Hilliard, resident of Ward 4, has been re-appointed by the Mayor.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Mayor’s re-appointment of Barbara Hilliard to the Jackson Public School Board be confirmed with said term to expire on June 30, 2027.

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Dr. Edward D. Sivak Jr., JPS School Board Member**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

Vice President Lee recognized Barbara Hilliard, who gave her personal statement and answered questions posed to her by Council Members.

After a thorough discussion, Vice President Lee called for a vote on said item:

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

There came on for consideration, Agenda Item No. 11:

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF VIRGINIA LYNN WATKINS, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI. Said item would be tabled until the next Regular Council meeting to be held on July 5, 2022.

ORDER CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S NOMINATION OF PAUL FORSTER TO THE JACKSON-HINDS LIBRARY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Library Board consists of seven (7) members, for a term of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Bethany’s term expired on February 7, 2022; thereby leaving a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 39-3-15(6), Paul Forster is eligible for appointment to the Jackson-Hinds Library Board; and

WHEREAS, Paul Forster, resident of Ward 1, after evaluation of his qualifications, has been nominated by the Mayor to fill said vacancy.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor’s appointment of Paul Forster to the Jackson-Hinds Library Board be confirmed with said term to expire February 7, 2027.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; Vice President Lee seconded.

Vice President Lee recognized Dr. Safiya Omari, Chief of Staff, who provided a brief overview of said item.

Vice President Lee recognized Paul Forster, who gave his personal statement and answered questions posed to him by Council Members.

After a thorough discussion, Vice President Lee called for a vote on said item:

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

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 41:

DISCUSSION: MENTAL ILLNESS: Vice President Lee recognized **Dr. Norris and Kimberly Fuller of DMN Behavioral and Counseling Group** who spoke on the need for mental illness awareness in the community as requested by **Council Member Stokes**.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 40:

DISCUSSION: BLACK RODEO: Vice President Lee recognized **Cadarius Towers** who spoke on his experience at a previous Black Rodeo in Jackson, MS, as requested by **Council Member Stokes**.

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 24, 2022 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – **Grizzell and Lindsay**.

There came on for Introduction, Agenda Item No. 4:

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI ESTABLISHING A PUNISHMENT AND FINE FOR PARENTS, GUARDIANS OR CUSTODIANS OF MINORS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE WHO HAVE COMMITTED A CRIME WITH A HANDGUN AND/OR FOUND TO HAVE POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN.

Vice President Lee recognized **Council Member Banks** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Stokes** to suspend rules to make said item effective immediately.

After a thorough discussion, **Council Member Banks** and **Council Member Stokes** withdrew their motion and second. **Vice President Lee** stated that the said item would be placed on the next Regular Council agenda to be held on July 5, 2022.

There came on for Introduction, Agenda Item No. 5:

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI HONORARY RENAMING I-55 FROM HIGH STREET TO NORTHSIDE DRIVE TO SUPERINTENDENT D.R. CURRY, SR. HIGHWAY. Said item was placed in the Public Property Renaming & Special Recognition Ad-Hoc Committee.

There came on for Introduction, Agenda Item No. 6:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 106-37 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI PROVIDING THE USER CHARGE FOR RESIDENTIAL SANITATION SERVICES. Vice President Lee stated that the said item would be placed on the next Regular Council agenda to be held on July 5, 2022.

Vice President Lee requested that Agenda Item No. 19 and 18 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDER ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$16,000.00) FROM DHARMA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LLC FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A FIRE WORKS EXHIBITION AT SMITH WILLS STADIUM.

WHEREAS, in Opinion Number 2010-00022 addressed to Jason erring, the Mississippi Attorney General stated that municipal governing authorities have the authority to accept the donation of funds for specifically designated purposes; and

WHEREAS, Dharma Professional Services, LLC has indicated that it is willing to donate to the City of Jackson monies in the amount of \$16,000.00 to be used for the specific purpose of providing a Fire Works exhibition for the observance of 4th of July; and

WHEREAS, Dharma Professional Services, LLC is a Mississippi limited liability company in good standing according to information appearing in the online data base of the Mississippi Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, the donation by Dharma Professional Services, LLC arises from a desire to support the City of Jackson Department of Parks and Recreation and its effort to observe the 4th of July; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by accepting the donation from Dharma Professional Services, LLC.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the donation of monies in the amount of \$16,000.00 from Dharma Professional Services LLC shall be accepted.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the monies donated from Dharma Professional Services LLC shall be used for the specific purpose of providing a Fire Works exhibition for the July observance on Saturday, July 2,2022 at the Smith Wills Stadium, located at 12000 Lakeland Drive.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Stokes seconded.

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

After a thorough discussion, Vice President Lee called for a vote on said item:

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH PYRO SHOWS, INC., FOR A FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT SMITH WILLS STADIUM, LOCATED AT 1200 LAKELAND DRIVE, ON JULY 2, 2022, AT A COST OF SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$16,000.00).

WHEREAS, Section 21-17-5 of the Mississippi Code authorizes municipalities to adopt orders concerning municipal affairs, finances, and property which are not inconsistent with the Mississippi Constitution of 1890, the Mississippi Code of 1972, or any other statute or law of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the authority granted to governing authorities of municipalities pursuant to Section 21-17-5 of the Mississippi Code is complete without reference to any specific authority granted in any other statute or law of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-3-7 of the Mississippi Code cites the days declared by the Mississippi legislature to be legal holidays; and

WHEREAS, the fourth day of July or Independence Day is among the holidays declared to be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, displays of fireworks are a hallmark of Independence Day celebrations nationwide and locally; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson would like to commemorate Independence Day with a display of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, Pyro Shows, Inc., has the capacity and experience to provide the City of Jackson with the desired display of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated date for the display of fireworks will be Saturday, July 2, 2022 at Smith Wills Stadium, located at 1200 Lakeland Drive; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the display of fireworks provided by Pyro Shows Inc., is \$16,000.00; and

WHEREAS, sufficient monies covering the cost of the firework exhibition will be donated by Dharma Professional Services, LLC. Upon acceptance by the governing authorities; and

WHEREAS, the payment of fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the display or \$8,000.00 and a signed contract is required to reserve the July 2, 2022 date for production of the display of fireworks by June 25, 2022; and

WHEREAS, funds required to reserve the July 2, 2022 date must be paid on or before June 25, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the show, PYRO SHOWS, INC., will provide the City of Jackson with proof of insurance coverage in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for bodily injury and property damage connected to the production only; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson will be listed as an additional insured on the insurance coverage obtained by Pyro Shows, Inc.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an Agreement with Pyro Shows, Inc., and all documents necessary to effect the terms of the Agreement, for a fireworks display on July 2, 2022, or whenever practicable soon thereafter depending on weather and/or force majeure conditions, at Smith Wills Stadium, located at 1200 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, Mississippi, with the total cost not to exceed Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a sum not to exceed \$8,000.00 may be paid for the purpose of reserving the date for the production.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of said Agreement shall be filed with the City Clerk.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

Note: Council Member Hartley left the meeting.

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 27379 to 27444 APPEARING AT PAGES 171 TO 203 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL "DOCKET OF CLAIMS", IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,376,083.59 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 27379 to 27444 appearing at pages 171 to 203, inclusive thereon in the Municipal "Docket of Claims", in the aggregate amount of \$6,376,083.59 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	1,165,783.41
SEIZURE & FORF PROP-STATE	1,099.89
TECHNOLOGY FUND	18,906.84
PARKS & RECR. FUND	60,815.61
LANDFILL SANITATION FUND	44,032.55
STATE TORT CLAIMS FUND	52,224.31
WATER/SEWER OP & MAINT FUND	394,650.94
WATER/SEWER CAPITAL IMPR FUND	2,792,520.96
EMPLOYEES GROUP INSURANCE FUND	82,139.77
EARLY CHILDHOOD (DAYCARE)	5,220.71
HOUSING COMM DEV ACT (CDBG) FD	14,582.07
EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG)	2,619.38
HOME PROGRAM FUND	363.00
H O P W A GRANT – DEPT OF HUD	51,305.46
TITLE III AGING PROGRAMS	28,510.00
1% INFRASTRUCTURE TAX	254,065.46
MADISON SEWAGE DISP OP & MAINT	19.07
TRANSPORTATION FUND	441,491.40
JXN CONVENTION & VISITORS BUR	322,298.75
CAPITAL CITY REVENUE FUND	1,308.00
HUMAN AND CULTURE GRANTS	18,965.61
MODERNIZATION TAX	554,516.00
ESG COVID CARES ACT	7,501.02
CDBG COVID CARES	34,810.22
PARKS & RECS GRANTS	546.00
ZOOLOGICAL PARK	16,333.66
LIBRARY FUND	9,453.50
TOTAL	<u>\$ 6,376,083.59</u>

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

President Lindsay recognized **Fidelis Malembeka**, Chief Financial Officer, who provided a brief overview of the Claims Docket at the request of **Vice President Lee**.

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

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Council Member Banks** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Stokes** to reconsider the previous item. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

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TOTAL	<u>\$ 6,376,083.59</u>

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.

Vice President Lee recognized Council Member Stokes who moved; seconded by Vice President Lee to amend claims to add a payment to Pyro Shows Inc. in the amount of \$16,000.00 to the claims docket. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

Thereafter, Vice President Lee, called for a vote of said item as amended:

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 27379 to 27444 APPEARING AT PAGES 171 TO 203 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,392,083.59 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 27379 to 27444 appearing at pages 171 to 203, inclusive thereon in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$6,392,083.59 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	1,165,783.41
SEIZURE & FORF PROP-STATE	1,099.89
TECHNOLOGY FUND	18,906.84
PARKS & RECR. FUND	76,815.61
LANDFILL SANITATION FUND	44,032.55
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Yeas – Banks, Foote and Lee.
Nays – Stokes
Absent – Grizzell, Hartley and Lindsay.

ORDER APPROVING GROSS PAYROLL INCLUDING PAYROLL DEDUCTION CLAIMS NUMBERED 27379 TO 27444 AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that payroll deduction claims numbered 27379 to 27444 inclusive therein, in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$109,434.20 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		2,163,132.28
PARKS & RECR FUND		90,492.32
LANDFILL FUND		14,987.17
SENIOR AIDES		3,360.24
WATER/SEWER OPER & MAINT		219,750.07
PAYROLL	109,434.20	
EARLY CHILDHOOD		19,237.52
HOUSING COMM DEV		9,892.53
TITLE III AGING PROGRAMS		5,819.99
TRANSPORTATION FUND		17,327.56
PEG ACCESS-PROGRAMMING FUND		6,021.50
2020 SAKI GRAND DOJ		7,350.76
ZOOLOGICAL PARK		27,559.78
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021		59,168.11
TOTAL		\$2,644,099.83

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

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

Note: Council Member Hartley returned to the meeting.

ORDER RATIFYING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CAMERA REPAIR SERVICES FROM GLOBAL SECTOR SECURITY, LLC FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED AT THALIA MARA HALL ON FEBRUARY 1, 2022, AND MARCH 16, 2022, AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND NINETY-TWO CENTS (\$1,164.92).

WHEREAS, Thalia Mara Hall's camera system and sound booth required a technician to make security camera repairs and install and program the PC system to the camera in the sound booth; and

WHEREAS, Global Sector Security, LLC provided said repairs at Thalia Mara Hall on January 31, 2022, and March 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson received two invoices totaling the amount of \$1,164.92 for repairs at Thalia Mara Hall; 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 Department of Human and Cultural Services recommends the payment of professional services rendered by Global Sector Security, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$1,164.92.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the acceptance of camera repair services from Global Sector Security, LLC for professional services rendered at Thalia Mara Hall on February 1, 2022, and March 16, 2022, is hereby ratified and the Department of Human and Cultural Services is authorized to remit payment of funds in the amount not to exceed \$1,164.92 to Global Sector Security, LLC to be paid from the general fund.

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; Council Member Foote seconded.

Yeas— Banks, Foote, Hartley, Lee and Stokes.

Nays— None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER REVISING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 - 2022 SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION'S SHUTTERED VENUE OPERATOR GRANT BUDGET.

WHEREAS, The City of Jackson received a grant from the Small Business Administration's Shuttered Venue Operator Grant ("SBA SVOG") program for Thalia Mara Hall; and

WHEREAS, Thalia Mara Hall received full funding and a supplemental award totaling \$207,189.71 that must be allocated fully by June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, as the pandemic has shifted, SBA SVOG budget rules have shifted and loosened and the needs at Thalia Mara Hall have also shifted; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for the budget amounts to be adjusted and moved to various accounts for three final orders to be placed for painting/vinyl work, office furniture, and A/V equipment – ensuring that every dollar is spent in accordance with SBA SVOG's guidelines and deadlines; and

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WHEREAS, the following funds will be revised: Account Number 340-43350-6419, 340-43350-6846, and 340-43350-6240.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2021 budget be revised in the amount of \$36,470.20 as follows:

TO/FROM	FUNDS/ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMOUNT
From:	340-43350-6419	\$36,470.20
To:	340-43350-6218	\$17,820.13
To:	340-43350-6240	\$18,650.07

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Stokes seconded.

Vice President Lee recognized David Lewis, Deputy Director of Human and Cultural Services, who provided a brief overview of said item and recommended an amendment changing the account number "340-43350-6218" to "340-43350-6846".

Vice President Lee recognized Council Member Foote who moved; seconded by Council Member Hartley to amend said order to reflect changes recommended by David Lewis, Deputy Director of Human and Cultural Services. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

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

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Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AMENDING THE CITY OF JACKSONS PAY PLAN TO CHANGE THE RANGE OF LEGAL SECRETARY FROM RANGE 15 TO 18, SR. LEGAL SECRETARY FROM RANGE 19 TO 20, PARALEGAL I FROM RANGE 18 TO 21, PARALEGAL II FROM RANGE 22 TO 23, LEGAL ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR FROM RANGE 20 TO 23, EXECUTIVE LEGAL ADMINISTRATOR FROM RANGE 24 TO 27, DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY I FROM RANGE 31 TO 35, DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY II FROM RANGE 37 TO 38, DEPUTY CITY PROSECUTOR FROM RANGE 28 TO RANGE 35, SENIOR DEPUTY CITY PROSECUTOR FROM RANGE 31 TO 38, CITY PROSECUTOR FROM RANGE 37 TO 44.

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson adopted a compensation plan on or about September 22, 1998 which is found in Minute Book 4Y which was previously amended May 24, 2005, found in Minute Book 5M, Page 391, and last amended by the Office of the City Attorney on October 4, 2005 and by the Department of Human Resources on October 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the compensation plan amended by the Department of Human Resources October 1, 2015 did not result in changes to the October 4, 2005 pay ranges established by the Office of the City Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney conducted a salary survey and comparison based on public information available for existing salaries and projected increases in accordance with Mississippi House Bill 1426 (2022 Regular Session) for attorneys and legal support staff employed at the Mississippi Attorney General's Office and other state agencies; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by revising the compensation plan to update pay ranges which have not been modified in over fifteen (15) years; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney has informed the Department of Human Resources that they have the monies in their budget to cover the pay range modifications which will result in increases.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Pay Plan adopted by the City Council on September 22, 1998, found in Minute Book 4Y, and amended May 24, 2005, found in Minute Book 5M, Page 391, and last amended by the Office of the City Attorney on October 4, 2005 and by the Department of Human Resources on October 1, 2015, be further amended to change the range of Legal Secretary from Range 15 to 18, Sr. Legal Secretary from Range 19 to 20, Paralegal I from Range 18 to 21, Paralegal II from Range 22 to 23, Legal Administrative Coordinator from Range 20 to 23, Deputy City Attorney I from Range 31 to 35, Deputy City Attorney II from Range 37 to 38, Deputy City Prosecutor from Range 28 to Range 35, Senior Deputy City Prosecutor from Range 31 to 38, and City Prosecutor from Range 37 to 44. To continue to authorize the hiring and adjustments of attorneys, litigators and support staff based on skill and experience level within said ranges and to allow at least a 2-step increase for employees with an achieves or better rating and a 2% increase for employees at step 5 with an achieves or better rating.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the City Attorney is authorized to add additional Legal Counsel positions as funding is available from various City departments.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the City Attorney be authorized to implement said changes at her discretion due to budgetary limitations within the Office of the City Attorneys budget.

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Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.

Vice President Lee recognized Catoria Martin, City Attorney and Toya Martin, Director of Human Resources, who provided a brief overview of said item.

After a thorough discussion, Vice President Lee called for a vote on said item:

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE VENDOR IN THE BUDGET REVISION TO FY 2021-2022 FIRE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF A 30 X 30 SHED FROM CAROLINA CARPORTS, INC. TO METAL ROOFING SYSTEMS, INC. TO BE UTILIZED AT THE JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING ACADEMY LOCATED AT 1240 S GALLATIN STREET JACKSON, MS AND AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM ONE ACCOUNT TO ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

WHEREAS, the original agenda order was approved on March 22, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has not been successful in scheduling a delivery and assembly date with the awarded vendor, Carolina Carport, Inc. due to the company's staffing shortage; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has secured a quote from a local vendor able to deliver and assemble the 30 X 30 shed at 1240 S Gallatin Street, Jackson, MS; and

WHEREAS, the said local vendor is Metal Roofing Systems, Inc; and

WHEREAS, the quote received from local vendor Metal Roofing Systems, Inc. is fourteen thousand one hundred ninety-nine dollars and ninety-nine cent (\$14,199.99); and

WHEREAS, the quote received from vendor Carolina Carports, Inc. was fourteen thousand two hundred forty-seven dollars and forty-eight cent (\$14,247.48); and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the city to amend said order to complete the department's goals of purchasing and assembling a 30 X 30 shed for FY 21-22.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor shall be authorized to amend the vendor from Carolina Carports, Inc. to Metal Roofing Systems, Inc. for the Fire Department to purchase and have assembled a 30 x 30 shed for an amount not to exceed fourteen thousand one hundred ninety-nine dollars and ninety-nine cent (\$14,199.99);

Council Member Stokes moved adoption; Council Member Hartley seconded.

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CONTRIBUTING OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) TO THE REAL COWBOY ASSOCIATION, LLC., FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING AND BRINGING INTO FAVORABLE NOTICE POSSIBILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CITY OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, Section 17-3-1 of the Mississippi Code authorizes the mayor and board of aldermen or board of commissioners of any municipality in the State of Mississippi to expend

moneys not to exceed one mill of their respective valuation and assessment for the purpose of advertising and bringing favorable notice of the opportunities, possibilities, and resources of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, Section 17-3-3 of the Mississippi Code states that advertising includes expositions, public entertainment, or other forms of advertising or publicity which in the judgment of such board or boards will be helpful toward advancing the moral, financial, and other interests of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Real Cowboy Association, LLC has visited and brought to the Mississippi State Fairgrounds located in the City of Jackson a Black Rodeo annually for many years; and

WHEREAS, the 19th Annual Black Rodeo is a public entertaining event which has been scheduled to be held at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds beginning on July 16, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the estimated financial impact arising out of the Black Rodeo's visit to the City of Jackson is approximately one million six hundred thousand (\$1,600,000.00); and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the 19th Annual Black Rodeo will be helpful in advancing the financial interests of the municipality as a result of visitors booking accommodations within hotels located in proximity to the Mississippi State Fairgrounds and also patronizing eating establishments; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi implemented and changed its security protocols for events at the Mississippi State Fairground following a shooting incident at the Mudbug Festival; and

WHEREAS, contributing money to support the security protocols implemented by the Mississippi State Fairgrounds advances the City of Jackson's interests in the safety of residents and also visitors; and

WHEREAS, the contribution of \$15,000.00 to the Real Cowboy Association, LLC will advance both the financial and safety interests of the City of Jackson and promote Jackson as a venue for expositions and public entertainment.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) shall be contributed to the Real Cowboy Association, LLC, for the 19th Annual Black Rodeo to be held at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds located in the City of Jackson.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the contribution may be taken from Account # 005-501.10-6449.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Hartley seconded.

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

After a thorough discussion, Vice President Lee called for a vote on said item:

Yeas - Hartley, Lee and Stokes.

Nays - Banks and Foote.

Absent - Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO JOIN MISSISSIPPI 811, INC.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure ("MCWI") Grant Program Act of 2022, as a governing authority not regulated by the Public Service

Commission, to be eligible to apply for reimbursable grants to make necessary investments in water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure funded by Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds made available under the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), the City of Jackson is required to become an operator-member of Mississippi 811, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 77-13-17(2), the City of Jackson, as an operator of a public utility, must join Mississippi 811, Inc.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that an application be submitted for the City of Jackson to join Mississippi 811, Inc and that the Mayor is authorized to execute any documents necessary to join Mississippi 811, Inc.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A ONE (1) YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH SUEZ TECHNOLOGIES, INC. TO PROVIDE INSIGHT SERVICES AND 24/7 TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR THE MEMBRANE PLANT AT O.B. CURTIS WTP.

WHEREAS, Suez Technologies dba Zenon Environmental Corporation provides Insight Services and Technical Support for the Membrane Treatment Process at the O.B. Curtis Water Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, the Insight Service provides bi-weekly reports on the performance of each of the six (6) trains in the Membrane Plant to better address operations and maintenance of the Membrane Plant which is necessary for the adequate production of potable water for the City of Jackson's water system; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Support services will be used to troubleshoot operational and maintenance issues that periodically arises with the six (6) trains in the Membrane Plant which would impede the production of safe clean potable water for public; and

WHEREAS, the Membrane Plant Process has served the City since 1987 and is a proprietary system for which Suez Technologies dba Zenon Environmental Corporation is the sole supplier of the Membrane Train Process used at O.B. Curtis WTP; and

WHEREAS, the one-year service agreement contract in the amount of \$18,094.50 will ensure that the City has 24/7 Technical Support and is provided Insight Reports bi-weekly to assist in the performance of Membrane Trains in the Membrane Process; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department recommends this Insight and Technical Support Contract for a one-year period with Suez Technologies dba Zenon Environmental Corporation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to procure a one (1) year Service Contract with SUEZ Water Technologies Solution dba Zenon Environmental Corporation to provide Insight and Technical Support for the Membrane Plant at O.B. Curtis WTP in the amount of \$18,094.50.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER #2 TO THE CONTRACT OF HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE O.B. CURTIS WATER TREATMENT PLANT MEMBRANE FILTER BUILDING PROJECT, DWI-L250008-02.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson executed a contract with Hemphill Construction Company, Inc., for the O.B. Curtis Water Treatment Plant Membrane Filter Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Change Order #2 adds 197 calendar days to the project time to account for supply chain delays related to delivery of raw materials needed to manufacture parts of the building, and those delays were beyond the contractor's or manufacturer's control.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute Change Order #2 to the contract of Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for the construction of the O.B. Curtis Water Treatment Plant Membrane Filter Project, adding 197 calendar days to the contract time.

Council Member Hartley moved adoption; Vice President Lee seconded.

Vice President Lee recognized Robert Lee, Interim City Engineer, who provided a brief overview of said item.

After a thorough discussion, Vice President Lee called for a vote on said item:

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES GRANT FOR THE MEDGAR AND MYRLIE EVERS HOME NATIONAL MONUMENT SIDEWALK PROJECT AND COMMITTING MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT IF AWARDED FEDERAL FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Department of Transportation has made Federal Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program funds available for non-motorized transportation improvements throughout the state of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act of 2019 authorized the Medgar and Myrlie Evers Home National Monument, and the National Monument was proclaimed on December 10, 2020 by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and the National Park Service desire to construct a sidewalk along Margaret Walker Alexander Drive with a crosswalk at Missouri Street to connect the Medgar and Myrlie Evers Home to a separate parcel on Missouri Street to provide a pedestrian connection between the two National Park Service parcels; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson hereby requests \$167,040.00 in Federal TA funding from the Mississippi Department of Transportation and agrees to provide matching funds in the amount of \$41,760.00 in a timely manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Jackson acknowledges if said project is selected for funding through the MDOT selection process, that said project is subject to all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations regarding TA funding, as well as subject to the rules and procedures established by MDOT regarding approved TA projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor is authorized to submit transportation alternatives grant application to the Mississippi Department of Transportation for the Medgar and Myrlie Evers Home National Monument sidewalk project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT if said project is selected for funding, that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding and related documents and submit the same to the Mississippi Department of Transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT if said project is selected for funding, that the Director of the Department of Public Works and the City Engineer are hereby designated as LPA Officials authorized to sign non-contractual documents and submit the same to the Mississippi Department of transportation.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., FOR THE LITTLE J RAIL TRAIL PROJECT, FEDERAL AID PROJECT DHP8276-00(003) LPA/104587.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has federal earmark funds for the Lynch Street corridor and desires to improve a parallel abandoned rail line into a shared use path from West Highland Drive to Valley Street for the use of the residents of West Jackson and as part of an overall plan to construct a shared use path along the old rail line from Buddy Butts Park to Jackson State University with further connections to Downtown Jackson; 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 \$224,907.83 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 Little J Rail Trail Project, Federal Aid Project DHP-8276-00(003) LPA/104587 for an amount not to exceed \$224,907.83.

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Robert Lee, City Engineer**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Hartley, and Lee.

Nays – None.

Abstention – Stokes.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., FOR THE GROUP A SIGNAL PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson made an application for and received \$1,400,000 in federal surface transportation block grant funds through the Jackson MPO for the Group A Signal Project to replace traffic signals at Ellis Avenue and Robinson Street, Ellis Avenue and Lynch Street, Highway 80 and Ellis Avenue, and Highway 80 and Westhaven Boulevard 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 \$156,034.17 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 Group A Signal Project, for an amount not to exceed \$156,034.17.

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Robert Lee, City Engineer**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH GARVER, LLC, FOR THE GROUP B SIGNAL PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson made an application for and received \$1,400,000 in federal surface transportation block grant funds through the Jackson MPO for the Group B Signal Project to replace traffic signals at Medgar Evers Boulevard and Northside Drive, Raymond Road and McDowell Road Extension, Terry Road and McDowell Road, and Old Canton Road and Ridgewood Road with no required match; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson selected Garver, LLC, to perform necessary preliminary engineering services for the project; and

WHEREAS, Garver, LLC, has provided a cost estimate of \$124,668.14 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 Garver, LLC, for the Group B Signal Project, for an amount not to exceed \$124,668.14.

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Robert Lee, Interim City Engineer** and **Jeff Pierce, Senior Project Manager** of Garver, LLC, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDER ACCEPTING THE BID OF HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE J.H. FEWELL WATER TREATMENT PLANT CARBON DIOXIDE EQUIPMENT PROJECT, DWI L250008-03, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH SAID COMPANY.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson solicited sealed, competitive bids for the construction of the J.H. Fewell Water Treatment Plant Carbon Dioxide Equipment Project; and

WHEREAS, one bid was submitted to the Municipal Clerk on April 19, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Hemphill Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$1,023,000.00 was the lowest bid received; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends that the governing authorities deem the bid of Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$1,023,000.00 for the J.H. Fewell Water Treatment Plant Carbon Dioxide Equipment Project to be the lowest and best bid.

WHEREAS, during the life of the project, it will be necessary for the Mayor to execute various no-cost documents as part of the administration and construction of the project.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the bid of Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for the construction of the J.H. Fewell Water Treatment Plant Carbon Dioxide Equipment Project, DWI L250008-03, in the amount of \$1,023,000.00 is accepted as the lowest and best bid.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute and the Municipal Clerk is authorized to attest a contract with Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for the construction of the J.H. Fewell Water Treatment Plant Carbon Dioxide Equipment Project.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all no-cost item documents necessary for the administration and construction of the J.H. Fewell Water Treatment Plant Carbon Dioxide Equipment Project and to submit the same to various oversight agencies as needed.

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

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Hartley and Lee.

Nays – None.

Abstention – Stokes.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE TRI-COUNTY MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION’S APPLICATION FOR A TRAIL ACCELERATOR GRANT FOR THE MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS AT BUDDY BUTTS PARK.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson owns and operates Buddy Butts Park at 6180 McRaven Rd in Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-County Mountain Bike Association (TCMBA), a member club of the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) and the Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association (SORBA), has a standing MOU with the City of Jackson related to the trails behind the Mississippi River Basin Model at Buddy Butts Park; and

WHEREAS, the International Mountain Bicycling Association opened a grant for a Trail Accelerator Grant designed to provide funds for master plans or trail construction of mountain bike trails; and

WHEREAS, the City, TCMBA, and other organizations desire to develop a master plan for a modern trail system at Buddy Butts Park that can support NICA high school/middle school

mountain bike racing as well as hiking and trail running while marking the presence and design of old basin model infrastructure and grading in the woods beyond the concrete model.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, supports the Tri-County Mountain Bike Association's application to the International Mountain Bicycling Association for a Trail Accelerator Grant to prepare a master plan for trails at Buddy Butts Park.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER RATIFYING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO APPLY FOR AND ADMINISTER THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES' (NLC) MUNICIPALITIES REIMAGINING COMMUNITY SAFETY GRANT TO ESTABLISH AN OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND TRAUMA RECOVERY.

WHEREAS, the overarching purpose of the NLC'S Municipalities Reimagining Community Safety (MRCS) Initiative is to advance and support city efforts to rethink local systems of public safety and move toward more community driven violence prevention; and

WHEREAS, with support from the Wells Fargo Foundation, the NLC MRCS Initiative will provide pass through grants for each of six cities, tailored technical assistance, and evaluation support in order to help local leaders advance the creation or updating and implementation of a comprehensive safety/violence prevention plan; and

WHEREAS, Jackson, MS was one of the six cities selected to participate in this initiative to support the work of the Mayor's Public Safety Task Force in its efforts to develop a comprehensive public safety plan and to expand those efforts to encompass victim services and trauma recovery; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has been awarded \$700,000 over a two-year period (\$475,000 Year 1; \$225,000 Year 2) to bring together elected leaders, city staff, residents, and local organizations to pursue coordinated, equitable, community-centered safety efforts to create safer communities; and

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the City Council of the City of Jackson hereby ratifies the NLC grant application and authorizes the Mayor's execution of any and all documents and agreements necessary to accept and administer the NLC's Municipalities Reimagining Community Safety Grant.

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

Yeas – Banks, Foote, Hartley, and Lee.

Nays – None.

Abstention – Stokes.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT – OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/RISK MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney/Risk Management Division Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget needs to be amended to provide essential funds to salaries due to budgetary limitations preventing recruitment and retention; and

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget be amended in the amount of \$60,000.00.

To/From	Fund/Account Number	Amount
To:	001-407.00-6111	\$59,255.00
From:	001-407.92-6212	(\$59,255.00)
To:	001-407.00-6111	\$745.00
From:	001-407.00-6419	(\$745.00)

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH INTEGRATED PEST CONTROL MAINTENANCE FOR COMMERCIAL PEST CONTROL SERVICES TO THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY AND THE OFFICE OF THE CITY PROSECUTOR.

WHEREAS, Integrated Pest Control Maintenance Commercial will provide standard pest control services to the Office of the City Attorney and the Office of the City Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, with the migration of gnats, spiders and mosquitoes during the hot summer months, the Office of the City Attorney and Office of the City Prosecutor have a need for pest control services; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney and the Office of the City Prosecutor desire to enter into an agreement with Integrated Pest Control to provide pest control services for a period of twelve months at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Integrated Pest Control Maintenance will provide pest control services to two (2) facilities, July 1, 2022 through July 1, 2023; and

FACILITY	LOCATION	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Office of the City Attorney	455 East Capitol Street	001-407.00-6419	\$135.00 Bi-monthly
Office of the City Prosecutor	327 East Pascagoula Street	001-407.20-6419	\$75.00 Bi-monthly

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi and Integrated Pest Control to provide standard pest control services to the Office of the City Attorney and the Office of the City Prosecutor every other month for a period of twelve months at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH TIM HOWARD TO PROVIDE INDIGENT DEFENDER LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-23-7(4) of the Mississippi Code of 1972 (as amended), when a person is charged with an offense in municipal court punishable by confinement, the municipal judge, being satisfied that such person is an indigent person and is unable to employ counsel, may, in the discretion of the court, appoint counsel and compensation

for appointed counsel in criminal cases shall be approved and allowed by the municipal judge and shall be paid by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously authorized a contract between the City of Jackson and Metro Public Defender Office to provide professional legal services to indigent criminal defendants as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney in consultation with the Office of the City Prosecutor and municipal court judges, determined there is a need for additional attorneys to ensure representation of indigent defendants in cases arising within Municipal Court, in Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-23-7(4) of the Mississippi Code of 1972 (as amended), the maximum compensation provided for representation shall not exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for any one (1) case and the governing authorities of a municipality may, in their discretion, appoint a public defender(s) who must be a licensed attorney and who shall receive a salary to be fixed by the governing authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney recommends the City of Jackson execute a contract with Tim Howard for six (6) months with an option to renew said contract for additional terms in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 per month to represent indigent defendants in cases arising within the Municipal Court, Jackson, Mississippi.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with Tim Howard to provide professional legal services for certain indigent defendants charged with misdemeanor offenses in Jackson Municipal Court in the contract amount of \$5,000.00 per month or less.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute any other documents that are necessary to effectuate the intent of this order.

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Catoria Martin**, City Attorney, who provided a brief overview of said item.

After a thorough discussion, **Vice President Lee** recognized **Council Members Hartley** and **Banks** who withdrew their motion and second. **Vice President Lee** stated said item would be held until the next Regular Council Meeting to be held July 5, 2022.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
SUPPORTING THE FIRST ANNUAL PROTECT YOUR PEACE YOGA, ART,
AND MUSIC FESTIVAL.**

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council recognizes that successful events are vital to the City of Jackson, promoting growth and enrichment while stimulating the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council supports and finds it beneficial to promote high quality cultural events in the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Local business owner and festival organizer, Maya Morris, pins the “PYP Fest” as a groundbreaking event combining mental health and wellness with fun attractions and live entertainment; and

WHEREAS, The “PYP Fest” is forecasted to have a significant impact on summer hotel occupancy, restaurant utilization, and the economic well-being of other businesses in the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, The “PYP Fest” is a two-day event scheduled for October 1-2 at Hank Aaron Stadium featuring celebrity yoga instructors, local and celebrity panelists, local and national vendors, and local and international music guests; and

WHEREAS, The governing authorities of the City of Jackson believe that an event of this caliber will model a hands-on approach to establishing community health and wellness, economic stimulation, and partnerships between local governmental entities, businesses, and artists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi formally supports the mission and common goal of the First Annual Protect Your Peace Festival to inspire, impact, and improve the quality of life in Jackson through health, wellness, and economic impact.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Councilman Aaron B. Banks, along with his Council Colleagues, does hereby recognize and support the First Annual Protect Your Peace Festival.

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

Vice President Lee recognized **Maya Morris**, Founder/Co-Director of Protect Your Peace Foundation and **Tkeyah Williams**, Creative Director/Logistics Coordinator, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDER REVIEWING AND CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY.

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council, on March 17, 2020; April 14, 2020; May 12, 2020, June 9, 2020, July 7, 2020, August 4, 2020, September 1, 2020, September 29, 2020, October 27, 2020, November 24, 2020, December 22, 2020, January 19, 2021, February 17, 2021, March 30, 2021, April 27, 2021, May 25, 2021, June 22, 2021, July 20, 2021, August 31, 2021, September 28, 2021, October 26, 2021, November 23, 2021, December 21, 2021, January 25, 2022, February

15, 2022, March 29, 2022, April 26, 2022 and May 24, 2022 pursuant to Section 33-15-17(8)(d) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, reviewed the need for and continued the local emergency; and

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

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE REVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT’S FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET TO MOVE FUNDS ACROSS CATEGORIES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM YEAR 2019 FIRE STATION PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Code Annotated, Section 21-35-25, states, if it affirmatively appears at any time during the current fiscal year that there is in any fund or account any sum remaining unexpended and not needed or expected to be needed for the purpose or purposes for which appropriated in said budget, then the governing authorities may, in their discretion, transfer such sum or any part thereof to any other fund or funds or account or accounts where needed; and

WHEREAS, there is an account line item in the Office of Housing and Community Development budget requiring Council approval to be moved across categories for the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2019 Fire Station Project; and

WHEREAS, the following funds would be revised as follows:

To/From	Fund/Account Number	Amount
From:	085.92110.6857 (Safety Equipment)	\$300,489.99
To:	085.92110.6217 (Uniforms & Work Clothing)	\$300,300.00
	085.92110.6240 (Non-Capitalized Equipment)	\$189.99

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Department of Planning and Development’s Fiscal Year 2022 Budget be revised for the CDBG Program Year 2019 funds and Fire Station Project Program Year 2019 funds; in the amount of \$300,489.99 as follows:

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TERMINATE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH NAVIRETAIL, LLC AND TO COMPENSATE NAVIRETAIL, LLC FOR SERVICES COMPLETED PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF NOTICE TO TERMINATE SAID AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2021, the Jackson City Council authorized the Mayor of Jackson to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with NaviRetail, LLC to provide professional retail recruitment-related services from March 16, 2021, through February 28, 2024, at a cost not to exceed Sixty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$60,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the project intended for NaviRetail, LLC to present a retail recruitment services plan for downtown Jackson to include targeting retailers suitable for Downtown site selection data, performance of market and GAAP analysis and custom marketing material for the area; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2022, the Department of Planning and Development requested that the Mayor be given the authority to execute "Amendment No. 1," amending the scope of work of the Professional Services Agreement to provide additional services to identify the highest and best use of City-owned property across from the Jackson Convention Complex by completing the appropriate analysis and implementing a proactive approach to increase the sales tax base by recruiting qualified developers; and

WHEREAS, the cost of services and the terms of the original agreement were to remain the same; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2022, all members of the Jackson City Council voted in the negative to authorize the Mayor to execute "Amendment No. 1" that would have amended the scope of work of the Professional Services Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article I, Term 1.2 of the Professional Services Agreement states, "Either Party, for cause, may terminate this Agreement by giving thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall deliver to the Client all completed documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, reports, photographs, or other items prepared by the Contractor in connection with this Agreement. Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for any services completed in accordance with this Agreement prior to such termination;" and

WHEREAS, under Article I, Term 1.2 of the Professional Services Agreement, NaviRetail, LLC is entitled to compensation for recruitment services performed before receiving notice to terminate the Professional Services Agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Department of Planning and Development to terminate the contract and to compensate NaviRetail, LLC for any services completed in accordance with the Professional Services Agreement.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to cancel the Professional Services Agreement and related documents with NaviRetail LLC and compensate NaviRetail, LLC for any professional services completed according to the Professional Services Agreement before the notice of intent to terminate said agreement.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell and Lindsay.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 37:

DISCUSSION: OVERHEAD SIGN SUPPORT TRUSSES FOR BOBBY RUSH SIGNS: Vice President Lee recognized Robert Lee, City Engineer, who spoke on the cost of replacing street signs and interstate sign trusses.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 38:

DISCUSSION: HOMELESS POPULATION & GATEWAYS: Vice President Lee stated said item would be held until the next Regular Council Meeting to be held July 5, 2022 at the request of Council Member Hartley.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 39:

DISCUSSION: CRIME PRIORITIES & HOLDING FACILITIES: Vice President Lee recognized Deputy Chief Vincent Grizzell, JPD, who spoke on the top crime priorities for JPD.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No. 42:

DISCUSSION: REVIEW AND CONTINUING OF COVID-19 LOCAL EMERGENCY: Vice President Lee stated the Jackson City Council was in favor of continuing the Covid-19 Local Emergency.

The following reports/announcements were provided during the meeting:

- **Dr. Safiya Omari** announced the following:
 - You can now link you Digital Self-Serve account using your zip code instead of your Social Security Number. Create Your Account:
Login at dss-coj.opower.com/days/login.
 - You can now complete your Special Events Permit Application online at www.jackson.ms.gov.
 - For any garbage pick-up concerns, contact information for Richards Disposal- 769-333-4222 or CSRJM@richardsdisposal.com
 - Please sign up for CodeRed Emergency alerts @ www.jacksonms.gov
 - Please Dial 3-1-1 for non-emergency City services.
 - COJ Early Childhood Development Centers are currently accepting applications for children ages 8 weeks to 5 years of age.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the Regular Council Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on July 5, 2022. At 2:30 p.m., the Council stood adjourned.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022 10:00 A.M.

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PREPARED BY:

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APPROVED:

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ATTEST:

Angela Harris
CITY CLERK
