

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 June 7, 2022, being the second 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; Brian Grizzell, Ward 4; Vernon Hartley, Ward 5 and Aaron Banks, Ward 6. Directors: Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor; Constance White, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council, Victor Allen, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Catoria Martin, City Attorney.

Absent: None.

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

The invocation was offered by **Pastor Edward Thomas of Greater Northside M.B. Church**

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

RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF JACKSON TO BE A MENACE TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE PURSUANT TO SECTION 21-19-11 OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE AND BASED ON ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS HELD MARCH 22, 2022 FOR THE FOLLOWING CASES:

- 21-97 21-284 21-495 21-639 21-647 21-662 21-684
- 21-744 21-905 21-1048 21-1298 21-1708 21-1868 21-1903
- 21-2019

WHEREAS, Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code as amended provides that a governing authority shall conduct a hearing to determine whether property or parcels of land located within a municipality is in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code as amended sets forth the procedure for mailing and posting notice of the hearing; and

WHEREAS, hearings were held on March 22, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the hearing officer determined that notice was provided in accordance with Section 21-19-11 prior to the hearings; and

WHEREAS, after hearing testimony and reviewing evidence, the hearing officer made findings and recommendations for adjudication concerning certain parcels as follows:

- 1) **Case #21-97: Parcel #195-46-1** located at **730 SOUTH COMMERCE STREET**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 7

Scope of Work: Cut grass, weeds, shrubbery, fence line, bushes, saplings; remove trash, debris, wooden boards, crates, appliances, old furniture, building materials, old bricks, tree limbs, tree parts, tires, junk vehicle and clean curbside.

- 2) **Case #21-284 Parcel #128-228** located at **816 CLAIBORNE AVENUE**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be held in abeyance, and interested parties shall be afforded time to cure. If there is default and the City proceeds with cleaning, hearing officer recommends and assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 5

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 3) **Case #21-495: Parcel #97-91** located at **2115 BAILEY AVENUE** After hearing testimony from owner(s) Wellyn Hathorn, hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety, and welfare; however, interested parties shall be afforded thirty (30) days to cure expiring April 22, 2022. If there is a default and the City proceeds with cleaning, hearing officer recommends an assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 3

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 4) **Case #21-639: Parcel #422-303** located at **3317 BAILEY AVENUE**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 3

Scope of Work: Cut grass, weeds, shrubbery, fence line, bushes, saplings; remove trash, debris, wooden boards, crates, appliances, old furniture, building materials, old bricks, tree limbs, tree parts, tires, and clean curbside.

- 5) **Case #21-647: Parcel #848-191** located at **119 STRATFORD DRIVE**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$1000. Ward 4

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 6) **Case #21-662: Parcel #220-18** located at **2672 WEST HIGHWAY 80**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$1500.00. Ward 5

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 7) **Case #21-684: Parcel #98-96** located at **1826 BAILEY AVEUNE**: After hearing testimony from owner(s) Mamie W. Payne, hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety, and welfare; however, interested parties shall be afforded thirty (30) days to cure expiring April 22, 2022. If there is a default and the City proceeds with cleaning, hearing officer recommends an assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 3

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 8) **Case #21-744: Parcel #619-112** located at **3045 WOODBINE STREET**: After hearing testimony from owner(s) Julius Williams, hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety, and welfare; however, interested parties shall be afforded thirty (30) days to cure expiring April 22, 2022. If there is a default and the City proceeds with cleaning, hearing officer recommends an assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 6

Scope of Work: Cut grass, weeds, shrubbery, fence line, bushes, saplings; remove trash, debris, wooden boards, crates, appliances, old furniture, building materials, old bricks, tree limbs, tree parts, tires, and clean curbside.

- 9) **Case #21-905: Parcel #633-44** located at **1164 MCDOWELL COURT**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$750.00. Ward 6

Scope of Work: Cut grass, weeds, shrubbery, fence line, bushes, saplings; remove trash, debris, wooden boards, crates, appliances, old furniture, building materials, old bricks, tree limbs, tree parts, tires, and clean curbside.

- 10) **Case #21-1048: Parcel #209-2** located at **2761 TERRY ROAD**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$1000.00. Ward 7

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 11) **Case #21-1298: Parcel #426-69** located at **438 EMINENCE ROW**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$750.00. Ward 7

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 12) **Case #21-1708: Parcel #425-559** located at **3534 DOUGLAS AVENUE**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 3

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 13) **Case #21-1868: Parcel #425-568** located at **3527 BAILEY AVENUE**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 3

Scope of Work: Board up and secure house; cut grass, weeds, shrubbery, fence line, bushes, saplings; remove trash debris, tree limbs and parts, tires; and clean curbside.

- 14) **Case #21-1903: Parcel #628-203** located at **1657 MCDOWELL ROAD**: No appearance by owner or an interested party. Hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety and welfare with assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 6

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

- 15) **Case #21-2019: Parcel #97-108** located at **2117 BAILEY AVENUE**: After hearing testimony from owner(s) Wellyn Hathorn, hearing officer recommends that the property be adjudicated as a menace to public health, safety, and welfare; however, interested parties shall be afforded thirty (30) days to cure expiring April 22, 2022. If there is a default and the City proceeds with cleaning, hearing officer recommends an assessment of actual costs and a penalty of \$500.00. Ward 3

Scope of Work: Demolish and remove remains of dilapidated structure, trash, debris, foundation, steps, driveway, tires, and any other items to insure property is clear and free of any and all health hazards, and cut grass and weeds.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above parcels be adjudicated a menace to public health as recommended by the hearing officer.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a copy of the notices mailed and posted to owners and interested parties of the above parcels shall be included in the minutes along with this resolution pursuant to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code as amended.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Administration shall be authorized to remedy conditions on the parcels posing a threat to public health and safety using municipal resources or contract labor if the owners fail to do so.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the adjudication of penalties, if any, shall be reserved until such time that a resolution is approved assessing actual costs.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Grizzell.

The Notices of Hearing pursuant to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, as it relates to each parcel of property, is incorporated herein in their entirety, and located in Public Notices, located in the City Clerk's Office of the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND QUALITY LANDSCAPE AND LAWN MAINTENANCE, INC. TO BOARD UP AND SECURE STRUCTURE(S) AND/OR CUT GRASS AND WEEDS; REMOVE TRASH AND DEBRIS; AND REMEDY CONDITIONS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY THAT CONSTITUTE A MENACE TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE ACCORDING TO MISSISSIPPI CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 21-19-11 FOR CASE #2020-1116 411 BENNING ROAD - \$1,710.00.

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2020, the Jackson City Council approved a resolution declaring certain parcels of real property in the City of Jackson to be a menace to public health, safety, and welfare pursuant to Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code following an administrative hearing held on June 30, 2020, for Case #2020-1116 located in Ward 3 of the City of Jackson; and

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

WHEREAS, Quality Landscape and Lawn Maintenance, Inc. appeared next on the rotation list and through its representative, Eric L. Kelly, agreed to board up and secure structure(s) and/or cut grass, weeds, shrubbery, fence line, bushes, and saplings; remove trash, debris, tires, fallen tree parts, wooden boards, crates, appliances, old furniture, building materials, old bricks and clean curbside; and remedy conditions constituting a menace to public health and welfare for the parcel located at 411 Benning Road in an amount not to exceed One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Ten Dollars and No Cents (\$1,710.00); and

WHEREAS, Quality Landscape and Lawn Maintenance, Inc.'s principal place of business is located at 133 Park Circle Jackson, Mississippi 39212; and

WHEREAS, Quality Landscape and Lawn Maintenance, Inc. shall begin the work to be performed upon receipt of written Notice to Proceed and shall complete the work as designated by the Scope of Work within seven (7) calendar days from receipt of the Notice to Proceed; and

WHEREAS, the proposed contract shall be deemed voidable thirty (30) days from the receipt of the written Notice to Proceed if the work has not been completed unless the presence of inclement weather and resulting conditions, or those acts or occurrence beyond the reasonable contemplation of the parties at the time the contract is executed that materially alters the performance period upon which the contract is based.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with Quality Landscape and Lawn Maintenance, Inc. to cut vegetation and remedy conditions on the property located at 411 Benning Road deemed to be a menace to public health, safety, and welfare.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that a sum not to exceed \$1,710.00 shall be paid to Quality Landscape and Lawn Maintenance, Inc. for the services provided from funds budgeted for the Division.

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

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

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 10, 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

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

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

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 16, 2022 ZONING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

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

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

Note: Council Member Grizzell joined the meeting.

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 41, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDER APPOINTING CHARLES R. CARR TO THE JACKSON HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD.

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

WHEREAS, Louis Wright's term expired on January 15, 2020, thereby creating a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Charles R. Carr resident of Ward 5, after evaluation of his qualifications, has been appointed by the Mayor to fill said vacancy.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor's appointment of Charles R. Carr to the Jackson Housing Authority Board be confirmed with said term to expire January 15, 2025.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Louis Wright**, Chief Administration Officer, who provided a brief overview of said item.

President Lindsay recognized **Charles R. Carr**, who gave his personal statement and answered questions posed to him by Council Members.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ALBERT D. LEASON TO THE BOARD OF FIRE APPEALS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

WHEREAS, Sections 58.5(d) and 58.5 (e) of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances provides that individuals aggrieved by decisions of the fire marshal may appeal same to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, municipal ordinances do not identify contain a description of the number of individuals and qualifications for persons serving on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, a functioning Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments is necessary for the purpose of reviewing the fire marshal's determinations and providing an appeals process for those aggrieved; and

WHEREAS, Albert D. Leason is capable and willing to serve on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, after evaluation of qualifications and eligibility, it has been determined that Albert D. Leason should be reappointed to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Albert D. Leason reappointment to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments be confirmed.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that Albert D. Leason shall serve a term ending on March 19, 2025.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Elliot Holmes**, Deputy Chief, Jackson Fire Department, who provided a brief overview of said item.

President Lindsay recognized **Albert D. Leason**, who gave his personal statement and answered questions posed to him by Council Members.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVID HARRIS TO THE BOARD OF FIRE APPEALS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

WHEREAS, Sections 58.5(d) and 58.5 (e) of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances provides that individuals aggrieved by decisions of the fire marshal may appeal same to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, municipal ordinances do not identify or contain a description of the number of individuals and qualifications for persons serving on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, a functioning Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments is necessary for the purpose of reviewing the fire marshal’s determinations and providing an appeals process for those aggrieved; and

WHEREAS, David Harris is capable and willing to serve on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, after evaluation of qualifications and eligibility, it has been determined that David Harris should be reappointed to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that David Harris reappointment to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments be confirmed.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that David Harris shall serve a term ending on March 19, 2025.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Elliot Holmes**, Deputy Chief, Jackson Fire Department, who provided a brief overview of said item.

President Lindsay recognized **David Harris**, who gave his personal statement and answered questions posed to him by Council Members.

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

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

ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF AKILI KELLY TO THE BOARD OF FIRE APPEALS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

WHEREAS, Sections 58.5(d) and 58.5(e) of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances provides that individuals aggrieved by decisions of the fire marshal may appeal same to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, municipal ordinances do not identify or contain a description of the number of individuals and qualifications for persons serving on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, a functioning Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments is necessary for the purpose of reviewing the fire marshal’s determinations and providing an appeals process for those aggrieved; and

WHEREAS, Akili Kelly is capable and willing to serve on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, Akili Kelly has been nominated to serve on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, after evaluation of qualifications and eligibility, it has been determined that Akili Kelly should be appointed to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Akili Kelly appointment to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments be confirmed.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that Akili Kelly shall serve a term ending on March 19, 2025.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Elliot Holmes**, Deputy Chief, Jackson Fire Department, who provided a brief overview of said item.

President Lindsay recognized **Akili Kelly**, who gave his personal statement and answered questions posed to him by Council Members.

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

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

ORDER CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER HARRIS TO THE BOARD OF FIRE APPEALS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

WHEREAS, Sections 58.5(d) and 58.5 (e) of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances provides that individuals aggrieved by decisions of the fire marshal may appeal same to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, municipal ordinances do not identify or contain a description of the number of individuals and qualifications for persons serving on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, a functioning Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments is necessary for the purpose of reviewing the fire marshal's determinations and providing an appeals process for those aggrieved; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Harris is capable and willing to serve on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, after evaluation of qualifications and eligibility, it has been determined that Christopher Harris should be reappointed to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Christopher Harris reappointment to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments be confirmed.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that Christopher Harris shall serve a term ending on March 19, 2025.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Elliot Holmes**, Deputy Chief, Jackson Fire Department, who provided a brief overview of said item.

President Lindsay recognized **Christopher Harris**, who gave his personal statement and answered questions posed to him by Council Members.

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

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

ORDER CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBERT A. WALL, SR. TO THE BOARD OF FIRE APPEALS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

WHEREAS, Sections 58.5(d) and 58.5 (e) of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances provides that individuals aggrieved by decisions of the fire marshal may appeal same to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, municipal ordinances do not identify or contain a description of the number of individuals and qualifications for persons serving on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, a functioning Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments is necessary for the purpose of reviewing the fire marshal's determinations and providing an appeals process for those aggrieved; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Wall Sr. is capable and willing to serve on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, after evaluation of qualifications and eligibility, it has been determined that Robert A. Wall Sr. should be reappointed to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Robert A. Wall Sr. reappointment to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments be confirmed.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that Robert A. Wall Sr. shall serve a term on March 19, 2025.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Mayor Chokwe Lumumba**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDER CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF STEVE DAVIS TO THE BOARD OF FIRE APPEALS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

WHEREAS, Sections 58.5(d) and 58.5 (e) of the City of Jackson Code of Ordinances provides that individuals aggrieved by decisions of the fire marshal may appeal same to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, municipal ordinances do not identify contain a description of the number of individuals and qualifications for persons serving on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, a functioning Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments is necessary for the purpose of reviewing the fire marshal’s determinations and providing an appeals process for those aggrieved; and

WHEREAS, Steve Davis is capable and willing to serve on the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments; and

WHEREAS, after evaluation of qualifications and eligibility, it has been determined that Steve Davis should be reappointed to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Steve Davis reappointment to the Board of Fire Appeals and Adjustments be confirmed.

IT IS FURTHER HEREBY ORDERED that Steve Davis shall serve a term ending on March 19, 2025.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Elliot Holmes**, Deputy Chief, Jackson Fire Department, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI DESIGNATING JUNETEENTH AS AN OFFICIAL HOLIDAY.

WHEREAS, the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Jackson shall be considered by this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, JUNETEENTH, derived from June 19th, a cultural and historic recognition of the freeing of the slaves in the state of Texas which has become a celebration that is recognized all over the world, and has become a Federal Holiday in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson seeks to recognize JUNETEENTH in the same manner as the Federal Holiday; and as such, the City of Jackson will recognize the official holiday on the same date annually as the federal holiday; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Jackson that the Jackson City Council joins in the federal government, other states, and local governments in recognizing JUNETEENTH as an official holiday.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi hereby designating JUNETEENTH as an official city holiday.

SO RESOLVED, this the 7th day of June, 2022.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Banks** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Stokes**, to substitute said order with the recommended order provided by City Legal. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

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

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI
DESIGNATING THE 19TH DAY OF JUNE OF EACH YEAR AS A HOLIDAY
WITHIN THE CITY OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI.**

WHEREAS, Public Law 117-17 known as the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act was approved by the 117th Congress on or about June 17, 2021 and established a legal public holiday; and

WHEREAS, the Juneteenth holiday is the first holiday to be approved since Martin Luther King Jr.'s holiday in the year 1983; and

WHEREAS, the Juneteenth holiday commemorates June 19, 1965 when slaves in certain states received news that Abraham Lincoln had issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi legislature has not passed a similar law recognizing Juneteenth as a state holiday; and

WHEREAS, the legal holidays declared by the State of Mississippi are codified at Section 3—3-7(1) of the Mississippi Code and are as follows: (1) first day of January (New Year's Day); (2) the third Monday of January (Robert E. Lee's birthday and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday); (3) the third Monday of February (Washington's birthday); (4) the last Monday of April (Confederate Memorial Day); (5) the last Monday of May (National Memorial Day and Jefferson Davis' birthday); (6) the fourth day of July (Independence Day); (7) the first Monday of September (Labor Day); (8) the eleventh day of November (Armistice or Veterans' Day); (9) the day fixed by proclamation by the Governor as a day of Thanksgiving which shall be fixed to correspond to the

date proclaimed by the President of the United States (Thanksgiving Day) and (10) the twenty-fifth day of December (Christmas Day).

WHEREAS, Section 3-3-7(1) of the Mississippi Code also states that if a holiday falls on a Sunday, then the next following day shall be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-3-7(2) of the Mississippi Code states that in lieu of any one (1) legal holiday provided for in subsection (1) with the exception of the third Monday in January and the eleventh day of November (Armistice or Veteran's Day), the governing authorities of any municipality may declare by order spread upon its minutes any one (1) other day of the year to be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson have *not* declared Confederate Memorial Day to be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson does recognize and observe the fourth day of July known as Independence Day; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson believe that it is befitting, reasonable, and logical to also recognize and observe the second holiday commemorating independence known as Juneteenth National Independence Day or Juneteenth; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson have determined that the Juneteenth National Independence Day holiday should be observed in lieu of Confederate Memorial Day pursuant to Section 3-3-7(2) of the Mississippi Code.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI that the June 19th of each year shall be observed as legal holiday in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI if June 19th falls on a Saturday, then the holiday shall be observed on the previous Friday. If June 19th falls on a Sunday, then the holiday shall be observed on the following Monday.

The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of Section 21-13-11 of the Mississippi Code.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

President Lindsay requested that Agenda Item No. 24 and 22 be moved forward on the Agenda. Hearing no objections, the Clerk read the following:

ORDER ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,000.00) FROM DHARMA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LLC FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A FIRE WORKS EXHIBITION NEAR 105 EAST PASCAGOULA STREET ON SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2022 FOR THE JUNETEENTH OBSERVANCE.

WHEREAS, in Opinion Number 2010-00022 addressed to Jason Herring, 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 \$9,000.00 to be used for the specific purpose of providing a Fire Works exhibition for the Juneteenth observance; 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 Juneteenth; 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 \$9,000.00 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 Juneteenth observance on Saturday, June 17, 2022 near 105 East Pascagoula Street.

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

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

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Banks** moved; seconded by **Council Member Hartley**, to amend said order in the header and **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** paragraph, changing Saturday to Friday. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

- 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 ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,000.00) FROM DHARMA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LLC FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A FIRE WORKS EXHIBITION NEAR 105 EAST PASCAGOULA STREET ON FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2022 FOR THE JUNETEENTH OBSERVANCE.

WHEREAS, in Opinion Number 2010-00022 addressed to Jason Herring, 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 \$9,000.00 to be used for the specific purpose of providing a Fire Works exhibition for the Juneteenth observance; 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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ARTISAN PYROTECHNICS, INC., FOR A FIREWORKS DISPLAY NEXT TO THE JACKSON CONVENTION COMPLEX, LOCATED NEAR 105 EAST PASCAGOULA STREET, ON JUNE 17, 2022 AT A COST OF NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,000.00).

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, the City of Jackson would like to provide fireworks display to celebrate Juneteenth, which is also known as Freedom Day, Jubilee Day, Liberation Day, and Emancipation Day, and observes June 19, 1865 when slaves in some states received the news that President Abraham Lincoln had signed the Emancipation Proclamation more than two (2) years earlier; and

WHEREAS, the fireworks display will take place Saturday, June 17, 2022 next to the Jackson Convention Complex, located near 105 East Pascagoula Street; and

WHEREAS, Artisan Pyrotechnics, Inc. has agreed to provide a safe, firework display on the above referenced date for a cost not to exceed Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00); and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the show, Artisan Pyrotechnics, Inc., will provide the City with proof of General Liability Insurance and Automobile Liability for \$5,000,00.00 (Five Million Dollars), combined single limit, covering its activities and services in connection with the show described in the contract, and listing the City as an additional insured under the terms of the coverage; and

WHEREAS, sufficient monies covering the cost of the fire work exhibition will be donated by Dharma Professional Services, LLC upon acceptance by the governing authorities.

IT IS ORDERED that Mayor shall be authorized to execute a contract with Artisan Pyrotechnics Inc., to provide a fire work exhibition near 105 Pascagoula Street on Saturday, June 17, 2022.

IT IS ORDERED that monies not exceeding \$9,000.00 may be paid to Artisan Pyrotechnics Inc., after the exhibition.

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.

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Banks** moved; seconded by **Vice President Lee**, to amend said order in the fourth WHEREAS paragraph and the first IT IS ORDERED section, changing Saturday to Friday. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

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

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

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IT IS ORDERED that monies not exceeding \$9,000.00 may be paid to Artisan Pyrotechnics Inc., after the exhibition.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

W. Lindsay, Mayor

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 27311 to 27378 APPEARING AT PAGES 139 TO 170 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,421,369.11 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 27311 to 27378 appearing at pages 139 to 170, inclusive thereon in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$5,421,369.11 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	979,586.83
SEIZURE & FORF PROP-STATE	4,493.25
TECHNOLOGY FUND	329,280.53
PARKS & RECR. FUND	83,009.30
BUSINESS IMPROV FUND (LANDSCP)	52,502.25
LANDFILL/SANITATION FUND	5,202.24
STATE TORT CLAIMS FUND	12,186.29
WATER/SEWER OP & MAINT FUND	1,476,295.52
WATER/SEWER CAPITAL IMPR FUND	130,779.41
DISABILITY RELIEF FUND	103,590.59
NARCOTICS EVIDENCE ESCROW	2,218.00
PAYROLL FUND	95.77
HOUSING COMM DEV ACT (CDBG) FD	76,559.52
EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG)	2,035.80
H O P W A GRANT - DEPT. OF HUD	127,293.45
TITLE III AGING PROGRAMS	4,973.00
INFRASTRUCTURE BOND 2020 \$32M	45,960.00
MADISON SEWAGE DISP OP & MAINT	1,316.72
TRANSPORTATION FUND	699,948.26
FONDREN BUSINESS IMPROV FUND	10,966.93
JXN CONVENTION & VISITORS BUR	331,156.59
RESURFACING -REPAIR & REPL. FD	72,475.83
09 TAX INCREMENT BD FD \$1.6M	158,681.25
2018 TIF BOND \$4.6M - EASTOVER	321,352.90
P E G ACCESS- PROGRAMMING FUND	1,648.46
SIEMENS SETTLEMENT ACCOUNT	134,120.45
ESG COVID CARES ACT	70,447.08
ZOOLOGICAL PARK	10,942.23
LIBRARY FUND	162,250.66
DFA-SB-2971-PETE BROWN GOLF	10,000.00
TOTAL	<u>\$5,421,369.11</u>

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

President Lindsay recognized **Fidelis Malembeka**, Chief Financial Officer, who recommended an amendment to claims adding payments to Christina Spann, Inc. in the amount of \$2,000.00 and Artisan Pyrotechnics in the amount of \$9,000.00.

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Grizzell** who moved; seconded by **Vice President Lee**, to amend said order to reflect the changes as stated by **Fidelis Malembeka**, Chief Financial Officer. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

- Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee and Lindsay.
 - Nays – None.
 - Abstention – Stokes.
 - Absent – None.
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President Lindsay recognized **Fidelis Malembeka**, Chief Financial Officer, who provided a brief overview of the claims docket at the request of **President Lindsay**.

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President Lindsay recognized **Terry Williamson**, Deputy City Attorney, who provided a brief overview of operators' responsibility at the water plant.

Note: Council Members Banks and Grizzell left the meeting during the discussion.

Thereafter, **President Lindsay**, called for a vote of said item as amended:

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 27311 to 27378 APPEARING AT PAGES 139 TO 170 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL "DOCKET OF CLAIMS", IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,432,369.11 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 27311 to 27378 appearing at pages 139 to 170, inclusive thereon in the Municipal "Docket of Claims", in the aggregate amount of \$5,432,369.11 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	981,586.83
SEIZURE & FORF PROP-STATE	4,493.25
TECHNOLOGY FUND	329,280.53
PARKS & RECR. FUND	92,009.30
BUSINESS IMPROV FUND (LANDSCP)	52,502.25
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DFA-SB-2971-PETE BROWN GOLF	10,000.00

TOTAL

\$5,432,369.11

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

ORDER APPROVING GROSS PAYROLL INCLUDING PAYROLL DEDUCTION CLAIMS NUMBERED 27311 TO 27378 AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that payroll deduction claims numbered 27311 to 27378 inclusive therein, in the Municipal “Docket of Claims”, in the aggregate amount of \$106, 242.38 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		2,090,960.07
PARKS & RECR FUND		88,426.88
LANDFILL FUND		14,823.05
SENIOR AIDES		3,360.24
WATER/SEWER OPER & MAINT		218,994.82
PAYROLL	106,292.38	
EARLY CHILDHOOD		20,275.47
HOUSING COMM DEV		9,682.45
TITLE III AGING PROGRAMS		5,846.48
TRANSPORTATION FUND		13,111.62
PEG ACCESS-PROGRAMMING FUND		5,980.16
2020 SAKI GRAND DOJ		7,350.76
ZOOLOGICAL PARK		25,114.94
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021		60,397.86
TOTAL		\$2,564,324.80

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

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

Note: Council Member Grizzell returned to the meeting.

ORDER REVISING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT – CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative Office Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget needs to be revised for category changes necessary for the procurement of services of Lacey Loftin Consulting, LLC. and;

WHEREAS, there are funds available in the Personal Services category which have not been utilized which may be used for the funding if the 2021-2022 budget is revised; and

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, that the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget be amended by the following entries:

<u>Fund Account</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
001-401.98-6419	\$ 37,500.00	
001-401.98-6112		\$ 37,500.00

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Banks.

Note: **Council Member Grizzell** returned to the meeting during the discussion.

ORDER ACCEPTING PROPOSAL OF FISHER BROWN BOTTRELL TO PROVIDE "SPECIFIC EXCESS RISK" INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR ACTIVE AND RETIRED CITY EMPLOYEES COVERED UNDER THE CITY OF JACKSON'S MEDICAL BENEFITS PLAN FOR THE DURATION OF THE CURRENT PLAN YEAR COMMENCING MAY 1, 2022 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022 PLAN YEAR AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO EFFECTUATE SAID COVERAGE.

WHEREAS, the Department of Personnel Management initially received quotes from two carriers interested in providing excess risk insurance for single and family coverage for active and retired employees participating in the City of Jackson's self-funded health insurance plan for the remainder of the 2022 Plan Year; and

WHEREAS, Section 125-15-101 of the Mississippi Code authorizes a municipality to negotiate and secure for all or specified groups of employees and their dependents a policy or policies of insurance covering the health as well as a group contract or contracts covering hospital, and or medical and or surgical services or benefits of employees and their dependents as may desire; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has a self-funded health insurance program and provides coverage at no cost to municipal employees but not the dependents of municipal employees or retirees; and

WHEREAS, dependents of municipal employees and retirees do pay a premium for coverage; and

WHEREAS, the rising cost of healthcare services and pharmaceuticals pose significant risk to the City as a self-insurer; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by limiting its exposure for healthcare cost; and

WHEREAS, procurement of risk coverage would minimize the City's exposure for payment of healthcare services and pharmaceuticals; and

WHEREAS, Fisher Brown Bottrell, on behalf of UnityRe, submitted a proposal with (3) options based on single enrollment of 1045 and family enrollment of 625 as follows:

- Option 1:** Contract Basis 8/11
- Individual Specific Deductible \$ 300,000
- Specific Maximum Per Contract Period Unlimited
- Single Premium \$29.54
- Family Premium \$68.03

Annual Premium \$587,104

Option 2: Contract Basis 08/11
Individual Specific Deductible \$325,000
Specific Maximum Per Contract Period Unlimited
Single Premium \$27.37
Family Premium \$62.08
Annual Premium \$539,213

Option 3: Contract Basis 08/11
Individual Specific Deductible \$350,000
Specific Maximum Per Contract Period Unlimited
Single Premium \$25.48
Family Premium \$56.80
Annual Premium \$497,013

WHEREAS, Fisher Brown Bottrell, on behalf of Reunion, submitted a proposal with (3) options based on single enrollment of 1045 and family enrollment of 625 as follows:

Option 1: Contract Basis 08/11
Individual Specific Deductible \$ 300,000
Specific Maximum Per Contract Period Unlimited
Single Premium \$37.58
Family Premium \$93.95
Annual Premium \$783,919

Option 2: Contract Basis 8/11
Individual Specific Deductible \$350,000
Specific Maximum per Contract Period Unlimited
Single Premium \$31.68
Family Premium \$79.20
Annual Premium \$660,845

Option 3: Contract Basis 8/11
Individual Specific Deductible \$400,000
Specific Maximum per Contract Period Unlimited
Single Premium \$26.53
Family Premium \$66.33
Annual Premium \$553,441

WHEREAS, prior proposals were received through both a Request for Proposals and a Request for Quotes; and

WHEREAS, a recommendation was submitted and approved by the governing authorities to accept the proposal of UnityRe at a meeting on April 26, 2022; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the approval of the governing authorities, the Administration decided to resolicit Best and Final Offers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson still has an interest in securing the best option in securing Excess Risk Insurance; therefore, an invitation to submit a proposal containing the Best and Final Offer for the provision of Excess Risk was sent to HUB International, Gallagher, and Fisher Brown and Bottrell with a request that same be submitted on or before May 23, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Resources received one (1) best and final offer from a carrier interested in providing excess risk insurance for single and family coverage for active and retired employees participating in the City of Jackson's self-funded health insurance plan for the remainder of the 2022 Plan Year; and

WHEREAS, Fisher Brown Bottrell, on behalf of Berkshire Hathaway, submitted a best and final offer (BAFO) with (1) option based on single enrollment of 1045 and family enrollment of 625 as follows:

Option 1: Contract Basis 8/11
Individual Specific Deductible \$350,000
Specific Maximum per Contract Period Unlimited
Single Premium \$25.63
Family Premium \$56.53
Annual Premium \$494,660

WHEREAS, Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance, Inc, is an independent insurance agency located at 248 East Capital Street Jackson, Mississippi and is an authorized brokerage firm for Berkshire Hathaway; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Resources recommends that the BAFO of the proposal of *Berkshire Hathaway* be accepted by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by accepting the option 1 of Berkshire Hathaway, submitted by *Fisher Brown Bottrell*;

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Option #1 contained with the proposal of Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance, "specific excess risk" insurance on the basis of single and family coverage for active and retired city employees participating in the City's self-funded health insurance plan through May 1, 2022- December 31, 2022 be accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that amounts not exceeding \$25.36 for single coverage participants and \$56.53 for family coverage participants be paid. The total premiums paid for the excess risk coverage for the remainder of the 2022 plan year shall not exceed \$494,660.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said insurance subject to the documents containing only the terms set forth and accepted in this order regarding premiums and the duration of the relationship between Fisher Brown Bottrell.

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

President Lindsay recognized **Roderrick Oliver**, Personnel Department Benefit Coordinator, who provided a brief overview on said item.

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

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

Nays – Foote.

Abstentions – Stokes.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF LOST, STOLEN, ABANDONED, AND MISPLACED MOTOR VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AT A PUBLIC AUCTION ON AUGUST 06, 2022.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson routinely receives and recovers lost, stolen, abandoned or misplaced motor vehicles which must be disposed of pursuant to the procedure set forth in Section 21-39-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended; and

WHEREAS, it is required under said statute to sell lost, stolen, abandoned, or misplaced motor vehicles and equipment at a public auction; and

WHEREAS, when governed authorities approve the continuation of 2022 auctions a list of the motor vehicles and equipment available for sale at a public auction will be placed on file with the City Clerk, and posted in accordance with Section 21-39-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that motor vehicles and equipment be sold at a public auction to be held at 4225-C Michael Avalon Street on August 06, 2022 pursuant to compliance with Section 21-39-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, as Amended.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Jackson Police Department designee be authorized to sign such documents as necessary to declare those vehicles and equipment which are sold at said auction to be abandoned.

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

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

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 2022 VOTING DELEGATES FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Municipal League amended the bylaws of the association to provide for a ballot election, to be conducted by the officers of the Mississippi Municipal Clerks and Collectors Association, to be held each year at the summer convention, to elect a Second Vice President from the Southern District; and

WHEREAS, the amended bylaws require the governing authority board (Mayor, Alderman, City Council, City Commission) to designate in its minutes the voting delegate and one alternate to cast the vote for each member municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

In accordance with the bylaws of the Mississippi Municipal League, the voting delegate(s) for the 2022 Mississippi Municipal League election to be held at the annual convention on June 28th as follows:

Voting Delegate: _____

First Alternate: _____

That public interest and necessity requiring same, this Resolution shall become effective upon passage.

The above and foregoing Resolution, after having been first introduced to writing, was introduced by _____, seconded by _____, and was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

Yeas:
Nays:
Absent:

The President thereby declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, this the (day, month and year).

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

President Lindsay recognized **Council Member Banks** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Hartley** to amend said order in the NOW BE IT RESOLVED section, naming Mayor Chokwe Lumumba the Voting Delegate, and Council Member Vernon Hartley as First Alternate. The motion prevailed by the following votes:

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

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

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

In accordance with the bylaws of the Mississippi Municipal League, the voting delegate(s) for the 2022 Mississippi Municipal League election to be held at the annual convention on June 28th as follows:

Voting Delegate: Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor

First Alternate: Vernon Hartley, Council Member

That public interest and necessity requiring same, this Resolution shall become effective upon passage.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ARTS OR SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS WITH THE ENTITIES RECEIVING MATCHING FUNDS.

WHEREAS, Section 39-15-1 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended authorizes the governing authorities of any municipality the authority and empowerment, in their discretion, to expend monies from the municipal general fund to match any other funds available for the arts in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, Section 21-19-65 of Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, authorizes the governing authorities to expend monies from the municipal general fund to match other funds for the purpose of supporting social and community services programs; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the provisions of Section 39-15-1 and Section 21-19-65 of the Mississippi code of 1972, as amended, the governing authorities for the city of Jackson allocated monies in its budget for the 2021-2011 fiscal year to be expended for the promotion and development of the arts in the municipality and he support of social and community services programs; and

WHEREAS, the monies were to be awarded to entities using a competitive application process; and

WHEREAS, interested organizations were notified of the availability of the funds and invited to apply; and

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WHEREAS, the administration evaluated the applications and determined that the following entities are eligible to receive the matching funds pursuant to Section 39-15-1 or Section 22-1965 and recommend that the Budget funds be awarded to the following organizations to match other funds for wither the development, promotion, or coordination of the arts or the support of a social and community service program;

Arts and Community Grants

1	Kinetic Etchings Kathryn Wilson 1347 Fontaine Drive Jackson MS 39211	\$10,000
2	The Mississippi Music Institute Christopher Little P.O. Box 10612 Jackson, MS 39289	\$10,000
3	Young Gift & Empowered Shameka Reed 2154 Belvedere Drive Jackson MS 39204	\$10,000
4	Mississippi Shakespeare Festival Amile Wilson 1347 Fontaine Drive Jackson, MS 39211	\$10,000
5	USA International Ballet Competition-City Dance Mona Nicholas 201 E Pascagoula St Ste 101 Jackson MS 39284	\$10,000
6	Farish Street Heritage Festival, Inc. Alberta Gibson 405 Briarwood Drive Jackson MS 39284	\$10,000
7	The Annual Dog Gone Dition Festival Rander & Janice Adams 401 E South Street, Unit 2647 Jackson, MS 39207-5011	\$10,000
8	National Baptist Convention USA Youth & Youth Adult Auxiliary Arthur Sutton 237 Heathway Cove Jackson, Mississippi 39272	\$10,000
9	Jackson Music Awards Association, Inc. Event 1 – Gospel Jesse Thompson 6148 Whitestone Road Jackson MS 39206	\$10,000
10	Jackson Music Awards Association, Inc. Event 2 – Rhythm and Blues Jesse Thompson 6148 Whitestone Road Jackson, MS 39206	\$10,000
11	Jackson Medical Mall Foundation Erica Reed 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Suite 107 Jackson, MS 39213	\$5,000
12	Opportunity Knocks Vilas Annavarapu 931 Grimes Road Carthage Mississippi 39051	\$3,340.30
	Total	\$108,340.40

IT IS THEREFORE ORDEDED that the budgeted funds for the 2021-2022 City of Jackson’s Fiscal Year for the promotion and development of the arts are hereby awarded to the following organizations:

Arts and Community Grants

1	Kinetic Etchings Kathryn Wilson 1347 Fontaine Drive Jackson MS 39211	\$10,000
2	The Mississippi Music Institute Christopher Little P.O. Box 10612 Jackson, MS 39289	\$10,000
3	Young Gift & Empowered Shameka Reed 2154 Belvedere Drive Jackson MS 39204	\$10,000
4	Mississippi Shakespeare Festival	\$10,000

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	Amile Wilson 1347 Fontaine Drive Jackson, MS 39211	
5	USA International Ballet Competition-City Dance Mona Nicholas 201 E Pascagoula St Ste 101 Jackson MS 39284	\$10,000
6	Farish Street Heritage Festival, Inc. Alberta Gibson 405 Briarwood Drive Jackson MS 39284	\$10,000
7	The Annual Dog Gone Dition Festival Rander & Janice Adams 401 E South Street, Unit 2647 Jackson, MS 39207-5011	\$10,000
8	National Baptist Convention USA Youth & Youth Adult Auxiliary Arthur Sutton 237 Heathway Cove Jackson, Mississippi 39272	\$10,000
9	Jackson Music Awards Association, Inc. Event 1 – Gospel Jesse Thompson 6148 Whitestone Road Jackson MS 39206	\$10,000
10	Jackson Music Awards Association, Inc. Event 2 – Rhythm and Blues Jesse Thompson 6148 Whitestone Road Jackson, MS 39206	\$10,000
11	Jackson Medical Mall Foundation Erica Reed 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Suite 107 Jackson, MS 39213	\$5,000
12	Opportunity Knocks Vilas Annavarapu 931 Grimes Road Carthage Mississippi 39051	\$3340.30
	Total	\$108,340.40

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

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 contributing 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.

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

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

President Lindsay recognized **Frank Penny Edwards**, Owner of The Real Cowboy Association LLC, who provided a brief overview on said item.

President Lindsay recognized **Carrie Johnson**, City Attorney's Office, who provided a brief overview on said item.

After a thorough discussion, **President Lindsay**, recognized **Council Member Grizzell** and **Vice President Lee** who withdrew their motion and second. **President Lindsay** stated that said item would be held until the next Special Council meeting to be held on June 21, 2022.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTHWEST JACKSON SOCCER LEAGUE, INC. (SWJSL), FOR USE OF CITY-OWNED ATHLETIC FIELDS LOCATED IN BUDDY BUTTS PARK.

WHEREAS, Section 21-17-5 of the Mississippi Code vests the care, management, and control of municipal property with the governing authorities of a municipality; and

WHEREAS, Section 21-17-5 of the Mississippi Code grants the governing authorities of a municipality the power to adopt any order concerning its property which is 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, Section 21-27-1 of the Mississippi Code prohibits a municipality from granting to any person, firm, or corporation any exclusive right to use or occupy public places in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, in *Opinion No. 2020-00011* issued to Gene Barton on October 5, 2020, the Mississippi Attorney General opined those public entities are authorized to permit use of their facilities but may not enact a use policy which favors one organization or individual over another; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., (SWJSL) is a Mississippi nonprofit entity in good standing according to information appearing in an online database of the Mississippi Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., would like to utilize public facilities of the City of Jackson located at 6180 McRaven Road and commonly referred to as Buddy Butts Park for soccer activities including but not limited to practice and league games; and

WHEREAS, the facilities desired to be used by the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., consist of soccer fields; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately sixteen (16) fields located at Buddy Butts Park; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., will provide to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation a schedule of its games and activities upon execution of the agreement so that the Department of Parks and Recreation can coordinate and ensure that other similarly situated groups are permitted use and are not denied access to the soccer fields located at the facility; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., will not have exclusive use of the soccer fields at the facility because Section 21-27-1 of the Mississippi Code prohibits the municipality from granting the entity the exclusive right to use and occupy the facility which is a public place; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc. (SWJSL), will provide the City of Jackson proof of liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 which lists the City of Jackson as the co-insured upon execution of the agreement and prior to use; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., will cut grass and prepare the field or fields used in accordance with a Field Preparation Manual provided by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., will not make any permanent physical improvements to the facilities without first obtaining consent of the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., shall furnish all personnel and equipment required for its soccer activities and practice; and

WHEREAS, the term of the City's agreement with the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc. will be for a period of two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., will be permitted or assigned a limited number of fields for use so that similarly situated groups are also afforded access; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc., agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to that title, including but not limited to the requirement to refrain from discriminating against person on the basis of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin; and

WHEREAS, no monetary compensation will be paid to the City of Jackson by the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc. for use of the facility because the grass cutting and field preparation eliminates some of the maintenance obligations of the City and is of benefit to the City.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor shall be authorized to execute a Facility Use Agreement with the Southwest Jackson Soccer League, Inc.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of said agreement be filed for record in the Office of City Clerk.

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

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

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE APPLICATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL FORM WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO APPLY FOR THE FY2022 COMPETITIVE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: TRANSIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS UPON AWARD TO THE GRANT FUNDS.

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2022, the Federal Emergency Management Agency announced the availability for Discretionary FY 2022 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Transit Security Grant Program (CFDA:) opened the SF-424 application process for Federal Assistance: Transit Security Grant Program with the Opportunity Number of DHS-22-GPD-057-00-01 and

WHEREAS, the grant opportunity category is discretionary; and

WHEREAS, this is a competitive grant where an application must be submitted by June 13, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the objective of the grant is to provide funds to eligible private operators of intercity, over-the-road bus transportation systems to protect critical transportation infrastructure and the travelling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of transportation infrastructure itself; and

WHEREAS, the priorities of the grant are to continuously evaluate the national risk profile and set priorities that help ensure appropriate allocation of scarce security dollars, two areas attract the most concern (1) enhancing cybersecurity and (2) enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Transit Division will request estimated grant funding in amount of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000.00), which will require not less than a 50% hard match in the amount of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00) from the City of Jackson's General Fund; and

WHEREAS, if awarded any funds, the funds will be used over FY2024, FY2025, FY2026, and FY2027; and

WHEREAS, the funds will be used to upgrade the closed-circuit television security camera system at JTRAN Administrative and Maintenance Facility (JAMF) and Union Station, cybersecurity planning and training, upgrade access controls system, employee basic security awareness training, employee active shooter training; and

WHEREAS, the Transit Division is recommending that the City apply for and accept said award to use in the City's public transportation system.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the SF-424 application and supplemental form with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, in the amount of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000.00), with a 50% match in the amount of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00) from the City of Jackson's General Fund.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any awarded funds shall be used over FY2024, FY2025, FY2026, and FY2027 to upgrade the security camera system at JTRAN Administrative and Maintenance Facility (JAMF) and Union Station, cybersecurity planning and training, upgrade access controls system, basic security awareness training, and active shooter training.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement and related documents upon award of the grant funds.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

FINAL ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION OF TQL HOLDINGS, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF THE REALIZED INCREASE IN THE ASSESSED VALUE OF THE MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT KNOW AS "THE QUARTER" RESULTING FROM THE REHABILITATION, RENOVATION AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF CERTAIN NON-RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES FOR RESIDENTIAL USE, SUBJECT TO SATISFACTION OF ALL REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 27-31-50 OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, AS AMENDED, AND THE JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 114-4.

WHEREAS, TQL Holdings LLC, filed with Jackson City Council, a sworn Application for exemption from ad valorem taxation on the improvements made in 2021 to the property located at 1855 Lakeland Drive; and

WHEREAS, TQL Holdings LLC, submitted the said Application pursuant to the provisions of Section 27-31-31 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, in the Jackson Code of Ordinances, Section 114-4, seeking an exemption from improved ad valorem taxes for a period of ten (10) years beginning January 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the true value prior to renovations was \$1,420,310; and

WHEREAS, the increase in true value due to renovations is \$11,098,030; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, by the Resolution adopted on June 23, 2020, and recorded in minute book "6R, at pages 227-228", granted preliminary approval to the said Application for exemption of ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, all statutory requirements for granting the requested exemption from ad valorem taxes have now been met, and the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi may now enter a final order in this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi:

1. The Application of TQL Holdings LLC, for exemption from ad valorem taxes on \$11,098,030 on the improvements of its property, which improvements were completed and in place as of December 31, 2021, is hereby finally approved for a ten (10) year period beginning January 1, 2022; provided further, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to exempt the said properties from state ad valorem taxation or from ad valorem taxation for school district purposes.
2. That the Municipal Clerk shall record the application and the order approving the same and shall file one (1) copy of the application and the order with the Chairman of the State Tax Commission and the Hinds County Tax Assessor.

Council Member Foote moved adoption; Vice President Lee seconded.

President Lindsay recognized Jordan Hillman, Director of Planning, who provided a brief overview on said item.

President Lindsay recognized Justin Peterson, State Street Group, who provided a brief overview on said item.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH HORNE, LLP REDEFINING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND EXTENDING COMPLETION TIME TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023, FOR THE BUSINESS LICENSE RESTORATION AND OPTIMIZATION PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City has experienced challenges with its business license database in increasing severity since prior to 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City is converting its licensing operations to a digital platform to provide convenient on-line services and to expedite in-person services; and

WHEREAS, the City in preparing the data from the current system for conversion to the new system identified major database failures resulting in the need for the data to be repaired; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2021, the governing authorities authorized the Mayor to execute an agreement with Horne, LLP (“Horne”) to complete data services for business license restoration and optimization with said terms to expire on January 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2022, the governing authorities authorized the Mayor to execute an amended agreement with Horne to extend contract time to June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Horne has substantially completed the original scope of work required to correct and update data for use in Open Gov digital platform; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2021, the governing authorities authorized the Mayor to compensate Horne a fee not to exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00), the City of Jackson has compensated Horne in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) with no additional funds required for services provided under June 8, 2021 Order; and

WHEREAS, The City has determined the original scope underestimated the volume of uncollected debt resulting from the failed historical renewals; and

WHEREAS, The City has determined that the best method to collect and reclaim the failed renewals is now over a 12-month period as part of a monthly renewal cycle instead of in one lump group; and

WHEREAS, The City believes that spreading the renewals over a 12-month period will result in higher recovery rate and more sustainable staff adoption of procedures; and

WHEREAS, the redefined scope of work implements the launch, renewal, and revenue recovery process to occur with the monthly renewal cycle; and

WHEREAS, Horne will launch OpenGov for business licensing, provide support for process and workflow documentation, staff training, mass mailing, recovery of lost revenue, data quality monitoring, and targeting of unlicensed businesses by assisting the City with sorting through a list of 20,000 businesses that may be unlicensed; and

WHEREAS, The City at the end of the extension period will have a staff fully trained to perform renewals, maintain quality data, and to be self-sufficient in compliance; and

WHEREAS, the City has selected the redefined scope of work identified in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the City agrees to compensate Horne for the services provided under this redefined scope of work at a fee not to exceed one hundred eighty-one thousand dollars (\$181,000.00), the division of cost shall be (1) an amount not to exceed one hundred forty-six thousand dollars (\$146,000.00) for **Exhibit A – Scope Options** and (2) an amount not to exceed thirty-five thousand dollars for printing expense; and

WHEREAS, the City agrees that the timeline for completion of this project is not later than September 30, 2023; and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a redefined scope of work agreement and related documents with Horne, LLP for completion of data services for business license restoration and optimization project.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that City of Jackson shall pay Horne, LLP an estimated amount in FY 2021-2022 not to exceed eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000.00)

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that City of Jackson shall pay Horne, LLP an estimated amount in FY 2022-2023 not to exceed ninety-six thousand dollars (\$96,000.00)

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the contract time to complete the project be extended to September 30, 2023.

Exhibit A

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CITY OF JACKSON, MS BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL DATA		PAGE 4
SCOPE OPTIONS		
PROJECT MANAGEMENT	SERVICE OFFERING	
DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN	HORNE project manager to collaborate with City of Jackson to develop and document a comprehensive plan for the successful launch of OpenGov. The plan will outline structure and responsibilities, provide project accountability. HORNE project manager will create tasks and assign team lead and coordinate all activities and keep team up to date throughout the project.	
	\$7,500	
PROJECT STANDARDIZATION	SERVICE OFFERING	
CREATE DOCUMENTATION OF CUSTOM WORKFLOWS	HORNE Business Process Solutions (BPS) team to create standard documentation of OpenGov custom workflow to ensure better consistency and control. On the City's team. BPS team will keep documentation up to date throughout the 13-month project period.	
TESTING OF CUSTOM WORKFLOWS	HORNE BPS team to collaborate with the City on a testing plan for custom workflow. This plan will include that all critical workflow elements outlined in the standard documentation are functioning properly. Once BPS team will provide for testing plan and work with the City to correct any identified issues.	
	\$20,000	
LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT	SERVICE OFFERING	
COLLABORATE ON TRAINING PLAN	HORNE Learning and Development (L&D) team to provide a training outline to create goals and performance goals for custom workflow on OpenGov. This will include a clear training plan and curriculum that can be responsible for future employees.	
	\$28,500	



COMMUNICATION	SERVICE OFFERING
STRATEGIZE ON PUBLIC COMMUNICATION PLAN	HORNE Marketing team to collaborate with the City Public Relations department to create a communication plan, both internally and externally, for the launch of OpenGov. Deliverable will be a messaging guide that includes general information for use, an overview of the product, benefits to citizens and the City, and frequently asked questions.

\$10,000

INITIAL LAUNCH SUPPORT	SERVICE OFFERING
MIGRATE AND VALIDATE DATA	HORNE to use reports in OpenGov to compare to the migration file and ensure data is consistent.
SUPPORT THE INITIAL LAUNCH	HORNE to mail letters to all businesses to claim their accounts of business. The first renewal cycles will be slower and closely monitored to increase probability of success. We expect to run full renewal cycles by the third month. HORNE will be active in printing and mailing letters during this time.*

\$25,000

ONGOING SUPPORT	SERVICE OFFERING
MONITOR PROGRESS AND DATA QUALITY	Monitor progress and data quality. HORNE will set up reports in OpenGov that can be used to review key progress metrics. Meet monthly to review these reports and discover areas for improvement. plus HORNE will create a dashboard for monitoring key progress metrics. Meet weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly as project progresses.
ON-GOING SUPPORT	HORNE will create a dashboard for monitoring key progress metrics.

\$45,000



CITY OF JACKSON, MS BUSINESS PRIVILEGE OUTREACH DATA		PAGE 5
COMPLIANCE SUPPORT	SERVICE OFFERING	
OUTREACH TO UNLICENSED BUSINESSES	INCLUDES THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTION TO WHICH THE BUDGET IS TO BE APPLIED TO OBTAIN PERMITS AND LICENSES FOR BUSINESSES TO OPERATE LEGALLY IN THE CITY. INCLUDES THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTION TO WHICH THE BUDGET IS TO BE APPLIED TO OBTAIN PERMITS AND LICENSES FOR BUSINESSES TO OPERATE LEGALLY IN THE CITY. IF ANY WORK IS REQUIRED THAT WILL BE PERFORMED BY CITY EMPLOYEES, WITH PAYMENT PROVIDED BY THE CITY.	
	\$10,000	
CLOSEOUT	SERVICE OFFERING	
PROJECT CLOSEOUT	A FINAL REVIEW OF THE PROJECT TO ENSURE ALL WORK IS COMPLETED AND TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EMPLOYMENT FOR THE CITY'S CONTRACTORS TO COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.	
	INCLUDED	
GRAND TOTAL	\$146,000¹	

¹ - Existing expenses will be passed through at cost (in addition to pricing shown above) as part of our professional billing at an amount not to exceed \$25,000.
² - Billing will be arranged to align with construction and be spread out over the life of the project.



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

President Lindsay recognized **Jordan Hillman**, Director of Planning and Development, who provided a brief overview on said item.

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

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

Note: Council Member Foote left the meeting.

ORDER AUTHORIZING REVISING THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT FISCAL YEAR 2021 - 2022 BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Department of Planning, Community Improvement Division, is in the process of hiring five (5) Code Enforcement Officers; and

WHEREAS, these officers will carry out preventative enforcement, patrol assigned areas of the city to locate and document violations of city ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement Officers work directly with the public and citizens of the City, therefore, each officer will need uniforms to identify themselves as employees of the Community Improvement Division; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development's Fiscal Year 2021 Budget needs to be revised to reallocate funding for the professional services needed; and

WHEREAS, the following funds would be revised and reallocated as follows:

From: 001.444.70.6516 - \$3000.00
To: 001.444.70.6217 - \$3000.00

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Department of Planning and Development's Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022 Budget be revised and reallocated in the amount of \$3000.00 as follows:

To/From	Fund/Account Number	Amount
From:	001.444.70.6516	\$3000.00
To:	001.444.70.6217	\$3000.00

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Foote.

ORDER AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF JACKSON WATER-SEWER BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DIVISION.

WHEREAS, certain unanticipated needs and allocations in the amount of \$20,000.00 have arisen since the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 City of Jackson Budget for the Water-Sewer Business Administration Division; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 City of Jackson Budget needs to be revised to provide funding for equipment needs not included in the budget line item for data processing equipment and computers; and

WHEREAS, the following accounts are being revised:

From: 031.520106419 \$20,000.00
To: 031.520106242 \$20,000.00

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget be revised in the amount of \$20,000.00 as follows:

To/From	Fund/Account Number	Amount
From:	031.520106419	(\$20,000.00)
To:	031.520106242	\$20,000.00

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

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

Nays – Stokes.

Absent – Foote.

Note: Council Member Foote returned to the meeting.

ORDER AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1/FINAL PAYMENT TO DICKERSON & BOWEN, INC. FOR THE 2019/2020 CITYWIDE STREET RESURFACING PROJECT CONTRACT A, CITY PROJECT NUMBER 20B4000.901.

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the City of Jackson accepted Dickerson & Bowen, Inc.'s bid of \$9,967,972.32 for the 2019/2020 Citywide Street Resurfacing Project Contract A, City Project No. 20B4000.901; and

WHEREAS, the contract work involved the removal and replacement of the existing curb types and asphalt resurfacing on the 2019/2020 Citywide Street Resurfacing Project Contract A Streets within the City of Jackson corporate limits; and

WHEREAS; due to an increase in material and labor quantities the contract increased from \$9,967,972.32 to \$10,155,827.29; and

WHEREAS, a final field inspection was held by the Department of Public Works and the Department recommends acceptance of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends approving Change Order No. 1 increasing the contract by \$187,854.91, and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$254,065.46 to Dickerson & Bowen, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the bonding company Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, Attorney-in-fact, surety on performance of the said contract, has authorized release and payment of all money due under said contract.

IT IS, THEREFORE ORDERED that Change Order No. 1 be approved, and the City make final payment in the amount of \$254,065.46 and release all securities held to Dickerson & Bowen, Inc. for all the work completed and materials furnished under this contract and that the Municipal Clerk publish the Notice of Completion of the 2019/2020 Citywide Street Resurfacing Project Contract A, City Project No.20B4000.901.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO.1/FINAL TO THE CONTRACT OF HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE BELHAVEN CREEK DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2020 the City of Jackson accepted Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.'s bid of \$2,992,545.00 for the Belhaven Creek Drainage Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the contract work involved drainage improvements to Belhaven Creek within the City of Jackson corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1/Final represents a 1.1% decrease to the current contract amount due to the adjustment of quantities and the removal or addition of items; and

WHEREAS, a final field inspection was held by the Department of Public Works and the Department recommends acceptance of the project; and

WHEREAS, the current contract amount is \$2,922,545.00 and the decreased contract amount will be \$2,890,089.18; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends final payment in the amount of \$59,723.20 to Hemphill Construction Company, Inc.; and

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

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Change Order No. 1/Final to the contract of Hemphill Construction Company, Inc., decreasing the contract amount by \$32,455.82 to a final contract amount of \$2,890,089.18 is authorized.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the City make final payment in the amount of \$59,723.20 and release all securities held to Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. for all the work completed and materials furnished under this contract and that the City Clerk publish the Notice of Completion of the Belhaven Creek Drainage Improvement Project.

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

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

Nays – None.

Abstention – Stokes.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2/FINAL TO THE CONTRACT WITH SIMMONS EROSION CONTROL, INC. AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF RETAINAGE, PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION, AND COMMENCEMENT OF ONE-YEAR WARRANTY FOR THE MEDGAR EVERS BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2020, the City of Jackson accepted Simmons Erosion Control, Inc.'s bid of \$3,951,743.61 for the Medgar Evers Boulevard Improvements; and

WHEREAS, on October 13, 2020, the City of Jackson City Council approved Change Order No. 1 changing the contract language from 180 calendar days to 120 working days; and

WHEREAS, this change order adjusts quantities to the as-built quantities from the estimated quantities in the plans and specifications; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 2/Final decreases the contract amount from \$3,951,743.61 to \$3,808,235.27; and

WHEREAS, a final inspection was held by the Department of Public Works on December 20, 2021 and the Department recommends acceptance of the project; and

WHEREAS, the bonding company Arch Insurance Company, Attorney-in-fact, surety on performance of the said contract, has authorized release and payment of all money due under said contract; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends that the governing authorities accept Change Order No. 2/Final and authorize final payment in the amount of \$43,170.00 to Simmons Erosion Control, Inc.

IT IS, THEREFORE ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute Change Order No. 2/Final to the Contract with Simmons Erosion Control, Inc. for the Medgar Evers Boulevard Improvements and that final payment in the amount of \$43,170.00 to Simmons Erosion Control, Inc. is authorized.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, upon receipt of the consent of surety by the City Engineer, that all retainage held in the amount of \$152,961.88 be paid to Simmons Erosion Control, that the one-year warranty commence effective December 20, 2021, and that the Municipal Clerk publish the Notice of Completion of the Medgar Evers Boulevard Improvements Project.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER NO. 4/FINAL TO THE CONTRACT WITH MAX FOOTE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC, AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF RETAINAGE, PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION, AND COMMENCEMENT OF ONE YEAR WARRANTY FOR THE SAVANNA STREET WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT PHASE 1A, SRF C280838-04.

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2019, the City of Jackson accepted the bid of Max Foote Construction Company, LLC, in the amount of \$23,277,000.00 for the Savanna Street Wastewater Improvements Project Phase 1A; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 4/Final increases the contract amount by \$554,516.00 from \$25,981,450.46 to \$ 26,535,966.46 due to additional work required and additional bypassing pumping at the influent pump station required to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, a final inspection was held by the Department of Public Works, and the Department recommends acceptance of the project; and

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

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends that the governing authorities accept Change Order No. 4/Final and authorize final payment in the amount of \$1,204,052.26 to Max Foote Construction Company, LLC.

IT IS, THEREFORE ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute Change Order No. 4/Final to the Contract with Max Foote Construction Company, LLC, for the Savanna Street Wastewater Improvements Phase 1A and authorize final payment in the amount of \$1,204,052.26 to Max Foote Construction Company, LLC.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all retainage held be paid to Max Foote Construction Company, LLC, and that the Municipal Clerk is authorized to publish the Notice of Completion of the Savanna Street Improvement Project Phase 1A.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$5,000.00 FOR THE FULL AND FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS IN JOSEPH B. NORTON VS. THE CITY OF JACKSON, CAUSE NO.: 19-829, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2018 a Complaint was filed naming the City of Jackson, Mississippi, as Defendant, in the Circuit Court of Hinds County, Mississippi, First Judicial District, Cause No. 19-829; and

WHEREAS, the parties, through counsel, participated in settlement negotiations and reached a proposed agreement to settle the aforementioned lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, such settlement shall not constitute an admission of liability on the part of the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney advises that Plaintiff and its counsel are willing to accept settlement in a reasonable amount of \$5,000 to fully release all claims against the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Jackson to resolve all issues and claims against all parties and pay said settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, that the City should and is hereby authorized to settle all claims in the lawsuit styled Joseph B. Norton v. The City of Jackson, Cause No.: 19-829; execute all documents necessary to settle and dismiss said claim; and pay the settlement amount, to the Plaintiff and its Counsel, as full and final settlement of this matter.

President Lindsay moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF FULL AND FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS IN VASHTI CLAYTON vs. CITY OF JACKSON, CAUSE NO.: 15-1073, IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, FIRST JUDICIALDISTRICT.

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2015, a Complaint was filed naming the City of Jackson, Mississippi, as Defendant, in the County Court of Hinds County, Mississippi, First Judicial District, Cause No. 15-1073; and

WHEREAS, the parties, through counsel, participated in settlement negotiations and reached a proposed agreement to settle the aforementioned lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, such settlement shall not constitute an admission of liability on the part of the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City attorney advises that Plaintiff and its counsel are willing TO accept settlement in a reasonable amount to fully release all claims against the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Jackson to resolve all issues and claims against all parties and pay said settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, that the City should and is hereby authorized to settle all claims in the lawsuit styled Vashti Clayton vs. City of Jackson, Cause No.: 15-1073; execute all documents necessary to settle and dismiss said claim; and pay the settlement amount, to the Plaintiff and its Counsel, as full and final settlement of this matter.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; President Lindsay seconded.

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

Nays – None.

Abstention – Stokes.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING THE CELEBRATION OF FATHER’S DAY, 2022.

WHEREAS, the idea of celebrating Father's Day grew from the thoughts of Sonora Dodd, a loving daughter from Spokane, whose father, Henry Jackson Smart, single-handedly raised her and five of her siblings following the death of her mother; upon attending a Mother’s Day Sermon in 1909, she felt that there should be a corresponding day to honor fathers; she worked relentlessly for years to bring Father’s Day to fruition; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Father’s Day was begun in 1924 during the administration of former President Calvin Coolidge in order to establish a stronger bond between fathers and

children; the idea gained momentum during WWII; President Lyndon B. Johnson proclaimed the third Sunday of June to be Father's Day in 1966, with President Richard Nixon establishing a permanent national observance of Father's Day in 1972; and

WHEREAS, according to census data, there are more than 72.2 million fathers in the U.S.; more than 2 million are single fathers; and

WHEREAS, observance of Father's Day provides children the opportunity to express love and respect for their fathers; this act is vital to strengthening the father-child relationship and consequently in the emotional development of a child; as we confirm the important role of fathers in nurturing children and building a stronger society, the entire nation and world join the City of Jackson in recognizing and supporting the observance of Father's Day.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi hereby recognizes and supports the observance of Father's Day, 2022, as we wish for each father a Happy Father's Day.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
SUPPORTING THE REOPENING OF THE RAILROAD VIADUCT
INTERSECTING WALTER DUTCH WELCH DRIVE.**

WHEREAS, the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Jackson shall be considered by this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson allowed the closing of the railroad viaduct intersecting Walter Dutch Welch Drive in recent years; and

WHEREAS, the closure of the viaduct has increased travel time for citizens in the area and has removed an alternate route for times when the train is present; and

WHEREAS, the critical situation of increased travel time is heightened in times when there is a possible life-threatening emergency present and the means to the speedy delivery of services is blocked; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Jackson that the Jackson City Council resolves to remove this obstruction to normal traffic flow by reopening the railroad viaduct at Walter Dutch Welch Drive.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Jackson City Council hereby resolves to support the reopening of the railroad viaduct intersecting Walter Dutch Welch Drive.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
REQUESTING THE ASSISTANCE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO
PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.**

WHEREAS, the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Jackson shall be considered by this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is again facing record-breaking murder with youth victims, being as young as twelve years old recently; and

WHEREAS, the current level of crime and murder requires extraordinary measures including the increase of law enforcement resources in the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is in desperate need of help and assistance in providing law enforcement in this time of crisis; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is requested to partner with the City of Jackson to provide help; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Jackson that the Jackson City Council makes this much needed request for the assistance of the State of Mississippi in the crime-fighting needs of the City of Jackson.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Jackson City Council hereby resolves to request the assistance of the State of Mississippi to provide law enforcement assistance in the City of Jackson.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI FILMS LLC TO MANAGE THE JACKSON SUMMER YOUTH FILM CAMP IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, Section 21-17-5 of the Mississippi Code states that the governing authorities of every municipality in the state shall have the care, management, and control of municipal affairs and its property and finances and may adopt orders, resolutions, or ordinances with respect to same 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 power granted to governing authorities of municipalities by Section 21-17-5 is complete without the existence of or reference to any specific authority granted in any other statute or law of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has had multiple incidents of violence perpetrated by youths and would like to prevent further incidents of violence among youths during hours in which many would normally be attending school; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and Mighty Mississippi Films LLC have reached an agreement concerning the management of a four (4) week summer camp for youths between the ages of 13-18, which will introduce youths to basic film concepts and encourage interest in film, theater, and the technology industry; and

WHEREAS, sponsoring a summer youth camp is not inconsistent with the provisions of the Mississippi Constitution or the Mississippi Code of 1972 and constitutes a social and community service program; and

WHEREAS, Sekou McGlothlin is the registered agent and manager for Mighty Mississippi Films LLC and has an address of 4740 Shadowwood Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39215, according to information appearing in the Mississippi Secretary of State's database; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Summer Youth Film Camp will be held at the Smith Robertson Museum & Cultural Center beginning June 13, 2022 ending July 8, 2022, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 2 pm and possibly on Saturday; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services recommends that the City of Jackson enter into a service agreement with Mighty Mississippi Films, LLC to provide certain summer camp management services to the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Mighty Mississippi Films LLC proposes to provide the following services: (1) planning and managing the operations and day to day administration of the camp; (2) monitoring the camp curricula; and (3) overseeing camp staff and campers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed agreement will become effective upon the date of execution and will continue uninterrupted until July 15, 2022, with said services being rendered at a cost not to exceed Six Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$6,250.00) upon the completion of said services; and

WHEREAS, either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time upon the delivery of written notice to the other Party no less than 14 days prior to the intended termination date, provided however that in such event, the terminating Party agrees to act in good faith to assist the other Party with the orderly wind-down of such Party's work on any active and on-going assignment.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with Mighty Mississippi Films LLC in an amount not to exceed Six Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$6,250.00) to provide managerial services for four (4) weeks for the Jackson Summer Youth Film Camp.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; President Lindsay seconded.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – None.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SOARPREENEUR TO FACILITATE THE JACKSON SUMMER YOUTH FILM CAMP IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, Section 21-17-5 of the Mississippi Code states that the governing authorities of every municipality in the state shall have the care, management, and control of municipal affairs and its property and finances and may adopt orders, resolutions, or ordinances with respect to same 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 power granted to governing authorities of municipalities by Section 21-17-5 is complete without the existence of or reference to any specific authority granted in any other statute or law of the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has had multiple incidents of violence perpetrated by youths and would like to prevent further incidents of violence among youths during hours in which many would normally be attending school; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and Soarpreneur have reached an agreement to provide a four (4) week summer camp for youths between the ages of 13-18, which will introduce youths to basic film concepts and encourage interest in film, theater, and the technology industry; and

WHEREAS, sponsoring a summer youth camp is not inconsistent with the provisions of the Mississippi Constitution or the Mississippi Code of 1972 and constitutes a social and community service program; and

WHEREAS, Soarpreneur has the experience and qualifications necessary to facilitate the camp and has previously shown commitment to the City of Jackson by organizing the Jackson Film Festival; and

WHEREAS, Jamie Maximus Wright is the incorporator and registered agent for Soarpreneur whose address is 242 W. North Street, Canton, Mississippi 39046; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Summer Youth Film Camp will be held at the Smith Robertson Museum & Cultural Center beginning June 13, 2022 ending July 8, 2022, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 2 pm and possibly on Saturday; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services recommends that the City of Jackson enter into a service agreement with Soarpreneur to provide certain summer camp services to the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Soarpreneur proposes to provide the following services: (1) introduce students to film terminology; (2) introduce students to “reading” a script; (3) introduce students to various professions in film, theater, and technology; (4) allow students to participate in a Masterclass, which will be taught by industry professionals, and a “department fair” to obtain individual dialogues about departments and opportunities; and (5) allow students to participate in filming a real feature film; and

WHEREAS, the proposed agreement will become effective upon the date of execution and will continue uninterrupted until July 15, 2022, with said services being rendered at a cost not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000), upon the completion of said services; and

WHEREAS, either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time upon the delivery of written notice to the other Party no less than 14 days prior to the intended termination date, provided however that in such event, the terminating Party agrees to act in good faith to assist the other Party with the orderly wind-down of such Party’s work on any active and on-going assignment.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with Soarpreneur in an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) upon the completion of said service and to assist and facilitate the four (4) weeks of Jackson Summer Youth Film Camp.

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

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

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

DISCUSSION: HOLDING FACILITY: **President Lindsay** recognized **Council Member Foote**, who expressed the need for the City of Jackson to have a holding facility to house misdemeanor offenders after arrests.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No.43:

DISCUSSION: SWIMMING POOLS: **President Lindsay** recognized **Vice President Lee**, who inquired about the status of the City of Jackson-owned swimming pools. **President Lindsay** recognized **Ison Harris, Director of Parks and Recreation**, who provided an update.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No.44:

DISCUSSION: GAS: (HOLMES AVENUE AT WOODROW WILSON) **President Lindsay** recognized **Council Member Stokes**, who expressed concerns regarding a gas distribution station at said location and inquired if it was safe for residents. **President Lindsay** recognized **Bobby Morgan** and **Bobby James** from **Atmos Energy** who stated that the distribution station was indeed safe.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No.45:

DISCUSSION: GUN SHOWS: President Lindsay recognized Council Member Stokes, who expressed concerns regarding gun shows being held around the City of Jackson and not on the fairgrounds.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No.46:

DISCUSSION: METRO CENTER MALL - OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE: President Lindsay recognized Council Member Hartley, who inquired about the current ownership of the Metro Center Mall and expressed concerns regarding its outward appearance and potholes in the parking lot.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No.47:

DISCUSSION: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION: President Lindsay recognized Council Member Banks, who expressed concerns about the need for a permanent Director of Finance and Administration.

There came on for Discussion, Agenda Item No.48:

DISCUSSION: CONSENT DECREE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT/SRF FUNDS AND PROJECT COMPLAINTS: President Lindsay recognized Council Member Banks, who expressed concerns about the City of Jackson following all the necessary processes for purchasing and the amount of SRF funds set aside for J.H. Fewell water plant.

The following reports/announcements were provided during the meeting:

- **Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba** announced the following:
 - You can now link your 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.
 - Employee Health Fair, Friday, June 10, 2022 from 7:00am to 2:00pm Smith Park 302 E Amite St., Jackson, MS 39201
 - "To Honor Medgar Evers Parade," Saturday, June 11, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The parade will begin promptly after a gathering at Freedom Corner on Medgar Evers Blvd.
 - Jackson Police Department Youth Citizen's Police Academy. Applications for children ages 5 to 17 years of age are currently being accepted. The program will take place from 8:00am to 4:00pm. Monday through Friday from June 13, 2022 to June 24, 2022.
 - Film Jackson Youth Camp will take place from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Monday through Friday from June 13, 2022 to July 8, 2022. Those interested in attending the camp can pick up an application at City Hall or apply online at www.jacksonms.gov/summer-camp-application/. For more information, please call 601-960-4028.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2022 10:00 A.M.**

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- Juneteenth Jackson Expo 22, June 17th-19th. New Horizon Hill Complex 1770 Ellis Ave. Jackson, MS 39204. Those interested in attending please visit www.juneteenthjxn.com for more information.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the Special Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on June 9, 2022. At 1:25 p.m., the Council stood adjourned.

PREPARED BY:

Shamekia Mosley Brandon
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:

Virgil Pinkney, 7/5/2022
COUNCIL PRESIDENT DATE

ATTEST:

Angela Harris
CITY CLERK
