

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 10:00 A.M.**

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BE IT REMEMBERED that a Regular Meeting of the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, was convened at City Hall at 10:00 a.m. on January 17, 2023, being the third Tuesday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present: Council Members: Ashby Foote, Council President, Ward 1; Angelique Lee, Vice-President, Ward 2; Brian Grizzell, Ward 4; Vernon Hartley, Ward 5; Aaron Banks, Ward 6 and Virgi Lindsay, Ward 7. Shanekia Mosley-Jordan, Clerk of Council, Sabrina Shelby, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Catoria Martin, City Attorney.

Absent: Kenneth Stokes, Ward 3.

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

The invocation was offered by **Sabrina Shelby, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council**.

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

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 19, 2022 REGULAR ZONING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

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

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

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 20, 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

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

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

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 3, 2023 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

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

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

ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS NUMBER 28338 to 28395 APPEARING AT PAGES 201 TO 226 INCLUSIVE THEREON, ON MUNICIPAL “DOCKET OF CLAIMS”, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,320,001.10 AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claims numbered 28338 to 28395 appearing at pages 201 to 226, inclusive thereon in the Municipal "Docket of Claims", in the aggregate amount of \$3,320,001.10 are hereby approved for payment and said amount is expressly appropriated for the immediate payment thereof.

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

FROM:	TO ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND
GENERAL FUND	1,228,061.02
SEIZURE & FORF PORP-STATE	157,000.00
TECHNOLOGY FUND	69,806.57
PARKS & RECR. FUND	82,136.92
LANDFILL SANITATION FUND	673.18
FIRE PROTECTION	63,922.43
STATE TORT CLAIMS FUND	105.00
WATER/SEWER OP & MAINT FUND	133,223.83
WATER/SEWER CAPITAL IMPR FUND	368,480.00
REPAIR & REPLACEMENT FUND	6,707.28
DISABILITY RELIEF FUND	38,047.52
EMPLOYEES GROUP INSURANCE FUND	76,840.64
KELLOGG FOUNDATION PROJECT	14,528.34
HOUSING COM DEV ACT (CDBG) FD	116,171.62
H O P W A GRANT-DEPT. OF HUD	68,272.21
INFRASTRUCTURE BOND 2020 \$32M	206,295.77
TRANSPORTATION FUND	633,386.56
P E G ACCESS – PROGRAMMING FUND	7,419.42
CDBG COVID CARES	25,972.13
ZOOLOGICAL PARK	8,197.16
LIBRARY FUND	9,453.50
DFA-LAKE HICO AND NORTHGATE	5,300.00
TOTAL	<u>\$3,320,001.10</u>

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Lindsay seconded.

President Foote recognized Sharon Thames, Deputy Director of Administration, who provided a brief overview of the claims docket.

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

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

ORDER APPROVING GROSS PAYROLL INCLUDING PAYROLL DEDUCTION CLAIMS NUMBERED 28338 TO 28395 AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that payroll deduction claims numbered 28338 to 28395 inclusive therein, in the Municipal "Docket of Claims", in the aggregate amount of \$97,972.67

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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		2,341,910.93
PARKS & RECR FUND		104,835.45
LANDFILL FUND		16,073.85
SENIOR AIDES		3,440.51
WATER/SEWER OPER & MAINT		250,501.29
PAYROLL	97,972.67	
HOUSING COMM DEV		9,856.15
TITLE III AGING PROGRAMS		5,974.96
TRANSPORTATION FUND		18,434.02
PEG ACCESS-PROGRAMMING FUND		5,481.57
2020 SAKI GRAND DOJ		7,405.71
ZOOLOGICAL PARK		30,300.62
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021		11,505.78
TOTAL		\$2,805,720.84

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

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

There came for consideration Agenda Item No. 8:

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH OCTAGON GROUP, LLC TO PROVIDE LOBBYING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF JACKSON FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 18, 2023. Said item was pulled by the Administration.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JACKSON TO ENTER INTO THE HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING (HIDTA) STAFF AND LOCAL TASK FORCE AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION TO REDUCE ILLICIT DRUG AVAILABILITY IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, the Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. 801 et seq., as amended, specifically 21 U.S.C. 878(a) provides that federal, state, or local law enforcement designated by the Attorney General may exercise certain powers of federal law enforcement personnel. Designated law enforcement officers may undertake Title 21 drug investigations under the supervision of the DEA pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 873(a); and

WHEREAS, there is evidence that trafficking in narcotics and dangerous drugs exists in the Jackson area and that such illegal activity has a substantial and detrimental effect on the health and general welfare of the people of Mississippi; and

There came for consideration Agenda Item No. 8:

WHEREAS, the Jackson Police Department recommends that the Jackson City Council authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration that shall become effective from the date of the last signature and will continue in effect until September 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Gulf Coast HIDTA Task Force will perform the activities and duties described below:

- a. Disrupt the illicit drug traffic in the Jackson area by immobilizing the target violators and trafficking organizations;
- b. Gather and report intelligence data relating to trafficking in narcotics and dangerous drugs; and
- c. Conduct undercover operations where appropriate and engage in other traditional methods of investigating in order that the task force's activities will result in effective prosecution before the courts of the United States and Mississippi.

WHEREAS, to accomplish the objectives of the Jackson Gulf Coast HIDTA Task Force, the JPD agrees to detail one experienced officer to the Jackson Gulf Coast HIDTA Task Force for a period of not less than two years. During this period of assignment, the JPD officer will be under the direct supervision and control of DEA supervisory personnel assigned to the task force; and

WHEREAS, the parties to this agreement understand that the DEA will provide financial reimbursement to support the activities of Federal Special Agents, Task Force officers, and other specified officers, if any. This support will include office space, office supplies, travel funds, funds for the purchase of evidence and information, investigative equipment, training, and other support items; and

WHEREAS, JPD will remain responsible for establishing the salaries and benefits, including overtime of the JPD officers assigned to the task force and for making all payments due; and

WHEREAS, this agreement may be terminated by either party on thirty (30) days advance written notice; and

WHEREAS, HIDTA will, subject to the availability of annually appropriate funds, reimburse JPD for overtime payments incurred by its Task Force Officers in an amount not to exceed \$19,840.75 a sum equivalent to 25% of the salary of a GS-12, Step 1 of the general pay scale for the rest of the United States. The Task Force Officer's overtime shall not include any costs for benefits, such as retirement, FICA, and other expenses; and

WHEREAS, the JPD will bill overtime as it is performed and no later than sixty (60) days after the end of the quarter in which the overtime is performed; and

WHEREAS, an authorized officer or employee must execute and return the DEA the attached OJP Form 4061/6, Certification Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements. The agreement will not take effect and no federal funds will be awarded until the completed certification is received; and

WHEREAS, the JPD officer assigned to the task force shall be deputized as a task force officer pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 878; and

WHEREAS, the JPD officer assigned to the task force shall adhere to all DEA policies and procedures. Failure to adhere to DEA policies and procedures shall be grounds for dismissal from the task force; and

WHEREAS, one of the primary missions of the task force is to disrupt the illicit drug trafficking activity in the Jackson area by immobilizing targeted violators and trafficking organizations; and

WHEREAS, a joint effort is essential to enhance the effectiveness of federal/state/local law enforcement resources through a well-coordinated initiative seeking the most effective investigative/prosecution avenues by which to convict and incarcerate these offenders.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute the HIDTA State and Local Task Force Agreement with the United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration that will cover the costs of overtime of the JPD officer assigned to the task force on a reimbursement basis.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Chief of Police is authorized to execute and return the DEA the attached OJP Form 4061/6, Certification Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements to secure the federal funds to support JPD and the HIDTA staff and local task force.

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

President Foote recognized **Tyrone Buckley, Deputy Chief of Major Investigations of the Jackson Police Department** who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER REVISING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022- 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, Section 21-35-25 of the Mississippi Code authorizes the governing authorities of a municipality to transfer at any time during the fiscal year sums remaining and not needed in any fund or account to funds or accounts where needed by order to such effect entered upon their minutes; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Police Department has identified funds in the amount of \$673,561.81 in the budgeted salaries account which will not be expended because of a reduction in overtime expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the unexpended funds are needed for the purchase of data processing equipment, photo and video equipment, body worn cameras, in-car dash cameras, and other equipment needed by the crime lab and other law enforcement units within the Jackson Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Section 21-35-25 requires that amendments made pursuant to an originally adopted budget which exceed ten percent (10%) of the total amount appropriated or authorized to be expended in a particular department fund to be published or posted within two (2) weeks of the action in a newspaper in the same manner as the final adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, separate amendments to an originally adopted budget during one fiscal year which affect a particular department fund shall be considered as one (1) amendment in determining whether the ten percent (10%) threshold requiring publication or posting has been reached; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Police Department believes that revising its budget to transfer funds from the budgeted salaries account to other accounts to be used as stated promotes and serves public safety interests; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Police Department recommends that its fiscal year 2022-2023 budget be revised as follows:

Account # transfer from	Amount to transfer
001.442.40.6111	\$419,519.10
001.442.20.6111	\$109,750.00
001.442.40.6111	\$69,960.00
001.442.35.6111	\$82,881.00
	Total \$682,110.10

Account # receiving transfer	Amount received in account
001.442.10.6847	\$183,296.29
001.442.10.6852	\$208,081.70
001.442.10.6855	\$290,732.11
	Total \$682,110.10

WHEREAS, the Jackson Police Department has assessed the proposed amendment and determined that the revision does not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total amount appropriated and authorized to be expended in a particular fund or account and will not require publication.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Jackson Police Department's fiscal year 2022-2023 budget may be revised as set forth in this order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED the provisions of this order shall not be construed as negating the procurement requirements set forth in the state purchasing laws.

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

President Foote recognized **Juan Gray, Grants Division of the Jackson Police Department**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDER RATIFYING PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES FROM VARIOUS VENDORS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS TO SAID VENDORS FOR THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Garage Division of the Department of Public Works had need of certain repair services and parts necessary for the operation and maintenance of city vehicles and equipment used by the Jackson Police Department; and

WHEREAS, due to exigent circumstances, the procurement of these necessary repair services and parts was done without prior approval by the City Purchasing Manager or the City Council of the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the repair services and parts purchases set forth in certain invoices attached hereto were provided to the Municipal Garage for repairs to various Jackson Police Department vehicles, and said repairs have been completed.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that payment to the following vendors in the amounts set forth be made, consistent with the attached invoices:

NAPA Auto Parts	\$2,997.44
Gray-Daniels	\$252.00
1-800-Radiator	\$278.00
Mid-State Glass	\$1,500.00
O'Reilly	\$2,218.70
Bumper to Bumper	\$676.51
Goodyear	\$3,587.36
Advance Auto Parts	\$937.12
Big 10 Tire Pros	\$4,703.47
Harris Tire Co.	\$97.04
Mac Haik	\$11,330.42
On the Way	\$691.00
Total	\$29,269.06

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

President Foote recognized **Eric Fox, Support Services of the Jackson Police Department**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION OF \$500.00 FROM EAGLE EXPRESS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION TO THE JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, Section 21-25-3 of the Mississippi Code states that the governing authorities of a municipality shall have the power to provide for the prevention and extinguishment of fires; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Safety Education unit of the Jackson Fire Department has received a monetary donation; and

WHEREAS, the donation was received from Eagle Express Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$500.00; and

WHEREAS, the primary use of funds will be for community outreach for families and children within the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the Department and the City to accept this most appreciated donation in an effort to help the community.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to accept this donation from Eagle Express Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$500.00.

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

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

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER RATIFYING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AREA AGENCY ON AGING ("CMPDD") TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE CONGREGATE MEALS, HOME-DELIVERED MEALS, TRANSPORTATION, AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS OF THE CITY OF JACKSON AND AUTHORIZING THE CONTRIBUTION OF MATCHING FUNDS.

WHEREAS, Section 21-17-5 of the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended, 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, since 1972, the City of Jackson has offered congregate meals, home-delivered meals, transportation, and outreach services to elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2022, the Jackson City Council authorized the submission of an application to CMPDD for funding to provide congregate meals, home-delivered meals, transportation, and outreach services to elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities for the 2022-2023 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the CMPDD, which serves the 60 years and older populations in Hinds County, offers grant funding to provide congregate meals, home-delivered meals, transportation, and outreach services to elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the CMPDD awarded the City of Jackson federal funds in the amount of Four Hundred and Thirteen Thousand and Four Hundred and Fifty—Nine Dollars and No Cents (\$413,459.00), program funds in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$500.00), and state funds in the amount of Five Thousand and Thirty-Two Dollars and No Cents (\$5,032.00) to carry out outreach, transportation, home-delivered meals, and congregate meals programs; and

WHEREAS, the City must provide a local cash match of Three Hundred and Two Thousand and Nine Hundred and Thirty-five Dollars and No Cents (\$302,935.00), which will be provided from the general fund; and

WHEREAS, the City agrees to provide the required cash and or in-kind match for the project. The match must be identifiable and documented in the accounting records; and

WHEREAS, the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District proposes that the City of Jackson enter into a one-year agreement commencing on October 1, 2022, and expiring on September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson must submit a request for funds by the 15th calendar day of each month to receive monthly reimbursement under the agreement; and

WHEREAS, prior to the disbursement of funds to the City, the City shall procure a comprehensive general liability insurance policy which covers premises, operation, products/completed operations, hazard, and independent contractors, bodily injury and property damage plus an appropriate medical expense coverage; and

WHEREAS, the CMPDD will reimburse the City no more than the federal and state amount as listed in the contract; and

WHEREAS, the City shall maintain Workers' Compensation insurance which shall inure to the benefit of all City personnel performing services under this Agreement. Prior to the disbursement of funds to the City, the City shall procure a fidelity bond (employee dishonesty bond) for an amount of not less than 25% of the total amount of the cost of the contract without regard to the amount of the deductible; and

WHEREAS, if this contract is terminated for cause or convenience by the CMPDD or the City, the City will be entitled to an amount of federal funds which is equitable to actual allowable, reasonable expenses, incurred by the City in the performance of this contract, upon proper documentation that the matching share, if any, has been provided by the Contractor or designated donor. Any one-time or pre-paid expenses incurred, which may be reasonably prorated or proportionately refunded by the vendor(s), may, at the option of the CMPDD, become the property of the CMPDD; and

WHEREAS, the contract is subject to the availability of state and federal funds to finance the same and to the successful operation of the program funded under the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services recommends that the governing authorities for the City of Jackson ratify and authorize the Mayor to execute a contract and related documents with CMPDD to accept grant funds to support the congregate meals, home-delivered meals, transportation, and outreach programs and authorizing the contribution of matching funds.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract and related documents with CMPDD to accept grant funds to support the congregate meals, home-delivered meals, transportation, and outreach programs, and authorizing the contribution of matching funds is hereby ratified.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Department of Human and Cultural Services is authorized to provide \$302,935.00 from the general fund as the matching contribution.

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

President Foote recognized **Adrienne Dorsey-Kidd, Director of Human and Cultural Services**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

ORDER AMENDING JANUARY 3, 2023 ORDER OF THE JACKSON CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE REVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2022-2023 TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CATEGORY TO THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT CATEGORY AND THE TRUCK AND AUTO CATEGORY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$134,244.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) SERVICE TRUCKS AND ONE (1) ROLLER MOWER.

WHEREAS, the City Council passed an Order approving the revision of the Department of Parks and Recreation's budget on Tuesday, January 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Order approved by the City Council contained incorrect account numbers; and

WHEREAS, the Order approved by the City Council listed the account number for the Heavy Equipment Category as 005-504.10-6415, which was incorrect; and

WHEREAS, the Order approved by the City Council listed the account number for the Truck and Auto Category as 005-504.10-6916, which was incorrect; and

WHEREAS, the correct account number for the Heavy Equipment Category is 005-504.10-6872; and

WHEREAS, the correct account number for the Truck and Auto Category is 005-504.10-6868.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the January 03, 2023 Order of the Jackson City Council which authorized the revision of the Department of Parks and Recreation’s budget shall be amended and the budget revision shall be as follows:

FUNDS TRANSFER FROM:		FUNDS TRANSFER TO:	
Other Professional Services Category Account: 005-501.10-6419	\$134,244.00	Heavy Equipment Category Account: 005-504.10-6872	\$45,272.00
		Truck and Auto Category Account: 005-504.10-6868	\$88,972.00
		Total Funds Transfer Request	\$134,244.00

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that all other provisions of the January 03, 2023 Order not specifically amended shall remain valid.

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

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT WHICH EXTENDS THE EXISTING LEASE OF GOLF CARTS FROM YAMAHA MOTOR FINANCE CORPORATION USA COMPANY FOR AN ADDITIONAL EIGHT (8) MONTHS.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson previously entered into a lease with Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation USA in November 2018 for the lease of golf-carts and a utility cart; and

WHEREAS, the golf carts are located at the City of Jackson’s Pete Brown Golf Facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson’s lease with Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation USA expired on December 28, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson recently accepted a bid for new golf carts with tracking technology and anticipates that the new golf carts will be delivered within eight (8) months; and

WHEREAS, in order to have golf carts available for use by patrons, the Department of Parks and Recreation is recommending that the prior lease with Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation USA be extended and ratified for an additional eight (8) months; and

WHEREAS, Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation USA is willing to amend the prior lease by extending the lease term for a period of eight (8) additional months; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the renting of the golf carts during the eight (8) month extension period will be reduced from \$3,842.54 to \$3,458.39 for sixty-five golf carts; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the renting of a utility cart during the eight (8) month extension period will be reduced from \$147.83 to \$136.37; and

WHEREAS, an additional utility cart is being provided to the City of Jackson at no charge and will become property of the City of Jackson upon termination of the lease; and

WHEREAS, the extended lease term will commence on December 28, 2022, and end on July 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, if the new golf carts are delivered prior to the expiration of the eight (8) month term extension, the lease will automatically terminate; and

WHEREAS, all other terms and conditions of the lease executed by the City of Jackson and Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation USA not amended will remain in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, the lease of the golf carts during the extension term will be financed at an interest rate of 4.487 according to the amortization schedule; and

WHEREAS, the lease of the utility cart will be financed during the extension term at an interest rate of 4.52 according to the amortization schedule; and

WHEREAS, the best interest of the City of Jackson would be served by amending the prior lease with Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation as stated so that golf carts are available pending the delivery of new carts.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor shall be authorized to execute an amendment to the existing lease with Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation USA to extend the term for a period of eight (8) months and to reduce the sums paid for the leasing of the golf carts and utility cart as stated.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the sum paid for the lease of the golf carts shall not exceed \$3,458.39 per month during the extended lease term.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the sum paid for the lease of the utility cart shall not exceed \$136.37 per month during the extended lease term.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the additional utility cart shall become the City of Jackson's property at the extension of the lease term.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that all terms and conditions of the lease not amended shall remain in full force and effect.

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

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSISSIPPI YOUTH SPORTS ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR THE USE OF CITY-OWNED BASEBALL FIELDS LOCATED IN FOREST HILL PARK.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson owns public property located at 1344 McCluer Road, Jackson, Mississippi which is commonly referred to as Forest Hill Park; and

WHEREAS, Forest Hill Park has certain fields which may be utilized for baseball related activities; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Youth Sports Association, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "The League", would like to utilize the City's baseball fields for practice and baseball related activities; and

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

WHEREAS, Section 21-27-1 of the Mississippi Code prohibits a municipality from granting to a person, firm, or corporation the exclusive right to use or occupy public places; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is authorized by law to grant *The League* with a *non-exclusive* right to use its baseball facilities; and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached an agreement concerning the use of the public municipal facilities located at Forest Hill Park; and

WHEREAS, The League will be afforded the non-exclusive use of any of the baseball fields located at Forest Hill Park beginning on the date of execution by the Mayor of the City of Jackson and ending July 31, 2024 at no cost; and

WHEREAS, The League shall be responsible for preparing the fields and cutting the grass for its baseball activities; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation will assign fields and schedule use of the premises in a manner so as not to deny other similarly situated groups equal access to the park and its facilities; and

WHEREAS, The League shall be responsible for assigning individuals to prepare the fields who must attend a field preparation workshop sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, The League shall not make permanent physical improvements to the premises prior to obtaining the written consent of the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, The League will provide the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation with a certificate of insurance evidencing its procurement of comprehensive liability coverage that names the City of Jackson as an additional insured in combined limits of not less than \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage; and

WHEREAS, The League agrees to indemnify the City against all damages, liabilities, and expenses and losses incurred as a result of the performance of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the immunity of the City, its officers and employees shall not be construed to be waived by the provisions of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, The League agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1965 also known as Public Law 88-352 which prohibits the exclusion from participation of individuals based on race, color, age, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor authorizes the approval of the said Facility Use Agreement between Mississippi Youth Sports Association, Inc. and the City of

Jackson, Mississippi for the use of the baseball fields located at Forest Hill Park beginning on the date of execution by the Mayor of the City of Jackson and ending July 31, 2024.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; Council Member Grizzell seconded.

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOYS BASEBALL ASSOCIATION FOR THE USE OF CITY-OWNED BASEBALL FIELDS LOCATED IN GROVE PARK.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson owns public property located at 4126 Parkway Avenue, Jackson, Mississippi which is commonly referred to as Grove Park; and

WHEREAS, Grove Park has certain fields which may be utilized for baseball related activities; and

WHEREAS, the Boys Baseball Association hereinafter referred to as “The League”, would like to utilize the City’s baseball fields for practice and baseball related activities; and

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

WHEREAS, Section 21-27-1 of the Mississippi Code prohibits a municipality from granting to a person, firm, or corporation the exclusive right to use or occupy public places; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is authorized by law to grant The League with a non-exclusive right to use its baseball facilities; and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached an agreement concerning the use of the public municipal facilities located at Grove Park; and

WHEREAS, The League will be afforded the non-exclusive use of any of the baseball fields located at Grove Park beginning on the date of execution by the Mayor of the City of Jackson and ending July 31, 2024 at no cost; and

WHEREAS, The League shall be responsible for preparing the fields and cutting the grass for its baseball activities; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation will assign fields and schedule use of the premises in a manner so as not to deny other similarly situated groups equal access to the park and its facilities; and

WHEREAS, The League shall be responsible for assigning individuals to prepare the fields who must attend a field preparation workshop sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, The League shall not make permanent physical improvements to the premises prior to obtaining the written consent of the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, The League will provide the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation with a certificate of insurance evidencing its procurement of comprehensive liability coverage that names the City of Jackson as an additional insured in combined limits of not less than \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage; and

WHEREAS, The League agrees to indemnify the City against all damages, liabilities, and expenses and losses incurred as a result of the performance of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the immunity of the City, its officers and employees shall not be construed to be waived by the provisions of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, The League agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1965 also known as Public Law 88-352 which prohibits the exclusion from participation of individuals based on race, color, age, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor authorizes the approval of the said Facility Use Agreement between Boys Baseball Association and the City of Jackson, Mississippi for the use of the baseball fields located at Grove Park beginning on the date of execution by the Mayor of the City of Jackson and ending July 31, 2024.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ONE (1) BUSINESS CLASS SERVICE ORDER AGREEMENT TO INSTALL COMCAST HIGH SPEED INTERNET WITH WI-FI AT GROVE PARK MUNICIPAL GOLF FACILITY, NECESSARY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SECURITY CAMERAS.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Jackson Parks and Recreation Department to provide a safe environment for its staff, patrons, and facilities. Internet is needed to allow installation of security cameras at the Grove Park Municipal Golf Course; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department desires to use the Business Internet Performance and Security Edge Data Package for a discounted rate of \$120.00 for months 1-24, plus \$44.90 for equipment and additional services, increasing to the regular rate in month 25. This data package also includes Business Internet 250 Mbps. A 2-year term agreement required. All products in the package must be maintained to sustain the package rate; and

WHEREAS, the following equipment will be included at an additional monthly service charge as listed below. (Regulatory recovery fee and other applicable charges extra and subject to change.)

Months 1 - 24			
	Qty.	Price	TOTAL
Data Package (Business Internet 300 Plus)		\$120.00	\$120.00
Business Internet - Static IP-5	1	\$24.95	\$24.95
Equipment Fee – Package Equipment Fee	1	\$19.95	\$19.95
Sub-Total Equipment & Additional Services.....			\$44.90
Total Monthly Service Charge.....			\$164.90

Non-Recurring Charges		
	Qty.	
Professional Installation		\$129.95
Total Charges.....		\$129.95

WHEREAS, the total charge for service months 1-24 will be \$164.90. The professional installation charge is a non-recurring fee of \$129.95. If either EcoBill paperless billing or automatic payment service is cancelled during the promo, the monthly service charge automatically increases by \$10.00. Equipment, installation, taxes and fees, including Broadcast TV Fee, Regional Sports Fee, regulatory recovery fee and other applicable charges extra and subject to change; and

WHEREAS, the quote received is reasonable for the services to be provided.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Comcast Business Service Order Agreements, for a two (2) year term, as well as any and all documents related thereto, for the installation and maintenance of high speed internet with Wi-Fi the Grove Park Municipal Golf Course.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH JACKSON YOUTH BASEBALL, INC. FOR THE USE OF CITY-OWNED BASEBALL FIELDS LOCATED IN LAKELAND PARK.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson owns public property located at 1399 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, Mississippi which is commonly referred to as Lakeland Park; and

WHEREAS, Lakeland Park has certain fields which may be utilized for baseball related activities; and

WHEREAS, the North Jackson Youth Baseball, Inc., hereinafter referred to as “The League”, would like to utilize the City’s baseball fields for practice and baseball related activities; and

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

WHEREAS, Section 21-27-1 of the Mississippi Code prohibits a municipality from granting to a person, firm, or corporation the exclusive right to use or occupy public places; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is authorized by law to grant The League with a non-exclusive right to use its baseball facilities; and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached an agreement concerning the use of the public municipal facilities located at Lakeland Park; and

WHEREAS, The League will be afforded the non-exclusive use of any of the baseball fields located at Lakeland Park beginning on the date of execution by the Mayor of the City of Jackson and ending July 31, 2024 at no cost; and

WHEREAS, The League shall be responsible for preparing the fields and cutting the grass for its baseball activities; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation will assign fields and schedule use of the premises in a manner so as not to deny other similarly situated groups equal access to the park and its facilities; and

WHEREAS, The League shall be responsible for assigning individuals to prepare the fields who must attend a field preparation workshop sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, The League shall not make permanent physical improvements to the premises prior to obtaining the written consent of the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, The League will provide the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation with a certificate of insurance evidencing its procurement of comprehensive liability coverage that names the City of Jackson as an additional insured in combined limits of not less than \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage; and

WHEREAS, The League agrees to indemnify the City against all damages, liabilities, and expenses and losses incurred as a result of the performance of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the immunity of the City, its officers and employees shall not be construed to be waived by the provisions of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, The League agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1965 also known as Public Law 88-352 which prohibits the exclusion from participation of individuals based on race, color, age, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor authorizes the approval of the said Facility Use Agreement between North Jackson Youth Baseball, Inc. and the City of Jackson, Mississippi *for the use of the baseball fields located at Lakeland Park* beginning on the date of execution by the Mayor of the City of Jackson and ending July 31, 2024.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AMENDING THE SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 ORDER WHICH AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH SALVATION ARMY, A GEORGIA CORPORATION, TO USE CARES ACT FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) UNDER THE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG-CV) TO PREPARE, PREVENT, AND RESPOND TO THE CORONAVIRUS IN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS EXTENDING THE CONTRACT TERM TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.

WHEREAS, by Order entered on September 1, 2020, recorded in Minute Book 6R, Pages 544-545, the City Council authorized the Mayor to execute the contract and related documents with Salvation Army, a Georgia Corporation to expend funds under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) to prepare, prevent, and respond to COVID-19 in the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the contract, Salvation Army, a Georgia Corporation agreed to assist the City by utilizing such funds to provide Homelessness Prevention Services to citizens in the City of Jackson who are at-risk of being homeless at a program cost not to exceed \$517,706.00 for a term beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, by Order entered on October 26, 2021, the governing authorities authorized the Mayor to execute an amendment to the contract to reimburse the Salvation Army, a Georgia Corporation for eligible expenses related to Homelessness Prevention Services to citizens in the City of Jackson who are at-risk of being homeless, in an amount not to exceed \$468,529.78; and

WHEREAS, as of November 1, 2022, Salvation Army, a Georgia Corporation has a balance of \$36,265.25 in unexpended ESG-CV funds for homelessness prevention services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development, through its Office of Housing and Community Development, recommends that the Mayor be authorized to execute

an amended contract and related documents to extend the contract term from September 30, 2022 to September 30, 2023 with no additional funding, and not to exceed \$36,265.25.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an amended contract and related documents with Salvation Army, a Georgia Corporation to expend the remaining ESG-CV funds in an amount not to exceed \$36,265.25 for reimbursable eligible expenses pursuant to the ESG CARES Act guidelines in the City of Jackson for a term beginning September 30, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023.

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

President Foote recognized **Linda Caldwell, Office of Housing and Development**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Note: Council Member Hartley left the meeting.

ORDER RATIFYING PURCHASES AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES FROM (1) ONE VENDOR AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO MCGRAW-GOTTA-GO FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CARES ACT FUNDS (CDBG-CV), WHICH ARE TO BE USED TO PREPARE, PREVENT, AND RESPOND TO THE CORONAVIRUS IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

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

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2020, the Office of Housing and Community Development was notified of supplemental funding in the following amount: \$1,101,225 for Community Development Block Grant CARES ACT funds (CDBG-CV); and

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

WHEREAS, in response to COVID-19, the federal government is allowing certain waivers to several federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development, through its Office of Housing and Community Development, held the Project Homeless Connect Annual Event at Pittman Park on September 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, due to circumstances, the purchase and procurement of these services was done without prior approval through a purchase order by the governing authorities; and

WHEREAS, because said services were performed, the Office of Housing and Community Development is requesting that this vendor be paid for services rendered in an amount not to exceed nine hundred dollars (\$900.00) from CDBG-CV funds.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to approve payment for purchases and procurement services from McGraw-Gotta-Go for nine hundred dollars (\$900.00).

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Grizzell seconded.

President Foote recognized Valerie Tucker, Office of Housing and Development, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Hartley and Stokes.

Note: Council Member Hartley returned to the meeting.

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE JACKSON RESOURCE CENTER TO PROVIDE RECRUITING, MONITORING, AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE W.K. KELLOGG FOUNDATION-FUNDED PROJECT, ECONOMIC PATHWAYS TO HUMAN DIGNITY: BUILDING OCCUPATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES & ECONOMIC GROWTH(EPHD).

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

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2019, the Jackson City Council authorized the Mayor to accept a \$1,895,000.00 grant from W. K. Kellogg Foundation to be allocated over three years for the development of the proposal entitled EPDH; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2022, the Jackson City Council approved an Order ratifying the submission of a request for an eighteen-month grant extension to the W.K. Kellogg Foundation that extended the grant period to September 30, 2023 for the development of the proposal entitled Employment Pathways to Human Dignity (EPHD); and

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative Office desires a consultant to provide recruiting, monitoring, and transportation services for the EPHD workforce development program; and

WHEREAS, Jackson Resource Center, located at 5261 Greenway Drive Exd. Jackson, Mississippi, 39204, submitted a proposal to provide recruiting, monitoring, and transportation services under the EPHD project; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative Office recommends that grant funds be used to compensate the Jackson Resource Center as an independent contractor in an amount not to exceed \$9,375.00 a month for eight (8) months, totaling an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 during the grant period of February 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, in light of the grant extension, the Chief Administrative Office recommends that the Jackson City Council authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Jackson Resource Center to provide recruiting, monitoring, and transportation services from February 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work includes providing three services: (1) recruiting participants for the workforce development program, establishing a partnership with Hinds Community College, and advertising via both print and digital marketing; (2) monitoring

the program and its data via the bi-weekly meetings with participants and coaches; and (3) transporting participants to places of employment and academic institutions: and

WHEREAS, either party may terminate the 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; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that the legal relationship between the Jackson Resource Center and the City of Jackson is strict an independent contractor relationship. Nothing contained in the agreement shall be deemed or construed to create a joint venture. Agency, partnership, or employer-contractor relationship between the parties. Neither party shall have the power to bind the other party in any manner. Additionally, the City of Jackson shall have no obligation to the Jackson Resource Center with respect to the provision of any benefits (insurance, retirement, or the like), nor shall the City of Jackson have any responsibility for the payment of any taxes, fees, dues, or memberships, workers' compensation premiums, or the like, which are the sole responsibility of the Jackson Resource Center.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Jackson Resource Center to provide recruiting, monitoring, and transportation services for the workforce development program beginning February 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2023.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that under the agreement, the Mayor is authorized to approve the expenditure of grant funds to compensate Jackson Resource Center in an amount not to exceed \$9,375.00 per month or \$75,000.00 for the term of the agreement.

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

President Foote recognized **Tangayika Hoover, Deputy Director of Planning and Development**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AMENDING THE JULY 19, 2022 ORDER WHICH AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON AND THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES INSTITUTE (NLCI) FOR PARTICIPATION IN NLCI'S SOUTHERN CITIES ECONOMIC INCLUSION INITIATIVE (SCEI).

WHEREAS, by Order entered on July 19, 2022 the City Council authorized the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Jackson and the National League of Cities Institute (NLCI) to participate in NLCI's Southern Cities Economic Inclusion Initiative (SCEI) in exchange for up to \$30,000.00 in grant funds; and

WHEREAS, under the MOU, the City agreed to share data with NLCI-SCEI to support its initiative goals, which include completing an Economic Inclusion Agreement, planning a proposed budget, attending monthly cohort calls, securing the local grant match, submitting an Interim Grant Report, submitting a Final Report, attending the NLCI-SCEI all-city Summit, and convening a group of partners interested in growing Jackson's economy, creating job growth, and creating economic revitalization throughout Jackson's neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson seeks to increase its levels of Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) participation in the procurement of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development, through its Office of Economic Development, has a variety of resources available to assist minority business owners in increasing their capacity through the provision of management, information, and technical assistance; and

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities, in partnership with the W. K. Kellogg Foundation and Annie E. Casey Foundations, continually awards the SCEI cohort with additional funding; and

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to receive an additional five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for conducting a baseline assessment of local economic inclusion needs and assets.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an amended Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with NLCI-SCEI to apply for and accept grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 for participation in the NLCI-SCEI program for the term beginning March 3, 2022 and ending October 31, 2023.

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

President Foote recognized **Tangayika Hoover, Deputy Director of Planning and Development**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER DESIGNATING THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND THE CITY ENGINEER AS ALTERNATE OFFICIALS TO SIGN NON-CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CHIEF LPA OFFICIAL FOR FEDERAL AID TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) administers federal aid transportation projects on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA); and

WHEREAS, frequently throughout the project design and construction process, the MDOT program manual requires the “Chief LPA Official” to sign a wide variety of routine, non-contractual documents and checklists that MDOT will allow other members of City staff to sign, if properly authorized by the governing authorities of the governmental entity to so do; and

WHEREAS, due to the large number of federal-aid transportation projects that the City of Jackson has underway in various stages of design and construction, it is in the best interest of the City, in order to expedite the design and construction processes, to designate the Chief Administrative Officer, the Director of the Department of Public Works, and the City Engineer as alternate officials authorized to sign non-contractual documents on behalf of the Chief LPA Officer for the City to ensure that federal aid transportation projects progress in a timely manner.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Chief Administrative Officer, the Director of the Department of Public Works, and the City Engineer are each designated as alternate officials authorized to sign non-contractual documents for the City on behalf of the Chief LPA Officer,

which are necessary for federal aid transportation projects administered by the Mississippi Department of Transportation.

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

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

President Foote recognized **Terry Williamson, Legal Counsel and Catoria Martin, City Attorney** who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Note: Said item failed due to lack of a majority vote.

ORDER ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF WATER AND SEWER LINES AND A PERMANENT UTILITY EASEMENT THE PASSCO NORTHRIDGE DST.

WHEREAS, the Passco Northridge DST is the owner of the Tapestry at Northridge development; and

WHEREAS, as part of the original construction, certain water and sewer lines lines were constructed with the intention that they would be donated at a later date when additional development occurred that would connect to water lines and sewer lines; and

WHEREAS, Colonial Jackson, LLC is working to develop a single-family subdivision that will connect to the aforementioned lines; and

WHEREAS, Passco Northridge DST wishes to donate to the City the aforementioned water and sewer lines as well as easements sufficient for these water and sewer lines; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends that the City accept the donation of the water and sewer lines and associated easements as offered by Passco Northridge DST.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED the City hereby accepts the following easements and the associated water and sewer, or sewer lines as follows:

WATER AND SEWER EASEMENT NO. 1

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION IS BASED ON THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, WEST ZONE, NAD 83, GRID VALUES, USING A COMBINED FACTOR OF 0.999944015 AND A CONVERGENCE ANGLE OF +00°06'38".

A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 0.44 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, AND BEING SITUATED IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, CITY OF JACKSON, HINDS COUNTY, MS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT A FOUND 1/2" REBAR AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2, BLOCK F, CLUB PARK SUBDIVISION PART 1, SAID POINT HAVING MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATES OF N:1048060.54, E:2358756.89; THENCE RUN SOUTH

514.74 FEET; THENCE EAST 1002.07 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN NORTH N 47°07'54" E 20.01 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP, SAID POINT HAVING MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATES OF N:1047559.40, E:2359773.61 AND BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND.

FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE RUN N 47°07'54" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN S 42°52'06" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 894.98 FEET TO A SET NAIL; THENCE RUN S 40°50'20" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 61.63 FEET TO A NAIL SET ON THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF CLUBVIEW DRIVE; THENCE RUN WESTERLY ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE AND ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT TO A SET NAIL, SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 626.70 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 20.04 FEET, A CHORD BEARING OF S 52°49'24" W, A CHORD LENGTH OF 20.04 FEET, AND A DELTA ANGLE OF 01°49'56"; THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, RUN N 40°50'20" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 59.99 FEET TO A SET NAIL; THENCE RUN N 42°52'06" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 894.62 FEET BACK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 0.44 ACRE, MORE OR LESS;

WATER AND SEWER EASEMENT NO. 2

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION IS BASED ON THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, WEST ZONE, NAD 83, GRID VALUES, USING A COMBINED FACTOR OF 0.999944015 AND A CONVERGENCE ANGLE OF +00°06'38".

A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 0.53 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, AND BEING SITUATED IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, CITY OF JACKSON, HINDS COUNTY, MS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A FOUND 1/2" REBAR AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2, BLOCK F, CLUB PARK SUBDIVISION PART 1, SAID POINT HAVING MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATES OF N:1048060.54, E:2358756.89; THENCE RUN SOUTH 514.74 FEET; THENCE EAST 1002.07 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN NORTH N 47°07'54" E 20.01 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH N 47°07'54" E 20.00 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN S 42°52'06" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 684.16 FEET TO A SET NAIL; THENCE CONTINUE S 42°52'06" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A SET NAIL; THENCE RUN N 47°07'54" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 443.85 FEET TO A SET NAIL, SAID POINT HAVING MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATES OF N:1047358.87, E:2360592.63 AND BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND.

FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE RUN S 42°52'06" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 301.09 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP, SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 152.00 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 101.17 FEET, A CHORD BEARING OF S 23°48'00" E, A CHORD LENGTH OF 99.32 FEET, AND A DELTA ANGLE OF 38°08'12"; THENCE RUN S 04°43'55" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 38.38 FEET TO A 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP SET ON THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF CLUBVIEW DRIVE; THENCE RUN EASTERLY ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE AND ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP, SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 938.80 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 20.00 FEET, A CHORD BEARING OF N 85°47'22" E, A CHORD LENGTH OF 20.00 FEET, AND A DELTA ANGLE OF 01°13'14"; THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, RUN N 04°43'55" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 38.56 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; RUN THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ON AND ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT TO A SET

1/2" REBAR WITH CAP, SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 172.00 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 114.48 FEET, A CHORD BEARING OF N 23°48'00" W,

A CHORD LENGTH OF 112.38 FEET, AND A DELTA ANGLE OF 38°08'12"; THENCE RUN N 42°52'06" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 1005.25 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN S 47°07'54" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN S 42°52'06" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 704.16 FEET BACK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 0.53 ACRE, MORE OR LESS; and

SEWER EASEMENT

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION IS BASED ON THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, WEST ZONE, NAD 83, GRID VALUES, USING A COMBINED FACTOR OF 0.999944015 AND A CONVERGENCE ANGLE OF +00°06'38".

A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 0.20 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, AND BEING SITUATED IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, CITY OF JACKSON, HINDS COUNTY, MS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A FOUND 1/2" REBAR AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2, BLOCK F, CLUB PARK SUBDIVISION PART 1, SAID POINT HAVING MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATES OF N:1048060.54, E:2358756.89; THENCE RUN SOUTH 514.74 FEET; THENCE EAST 1002.07 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUN NORTH N 47°07'54" E 20.01 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; CONTINUE THENCE N 47°07'54" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A SET 1/2" REBAR WITH CAP; THENCE RUNS 42°52'06" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 684.16 FEET TO A SET NAIL, SAID POINT HAVING MISSISSIPPI STATE PLANE COORDINATES OF N:1047075.28, E:2360257.59 AND BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND.

FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTINUE THENCE S 42°52'06" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A SET NAIL; THENCE RUN N 47°07'54" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 443.85 FEET TO A SET NAIL; THENCE RUN N 42°52'06" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO A SET NAIL; THENCE RUN S 47°07'54" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 443.85 FEET BACK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 0.20 ACRE, MORE OR LESS.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the water and sewer lines within those easements designated as Water and Sewer Easement No. 1 and Water and Sewer Easement No. 2 as offered by Passco Northridge DST be accepted for ownership and maintenance by the City of Jackson.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the sewer line within the easement designated as Sewer Easement as offered by Passco Northridge DST be accepted for ownership and maintenance by the City of Jackson.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an Easement Agreement and other related documents with Passco Northridge DST as necessary to effectuate the donation of said water and sewer lines and their associated easements.

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

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

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ENGINEERING TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT WITH Q SOLUTIONS, INC.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Engineering Division is in need of short-term experienced engineering support while working on the medium-term goal of hiring an experienced full-time senior engineer to assist the City Engineer; and

WHEREAS, Q Solutions, Inc., has worked with the City of Jackson over the last 20 years and possesses the on-the-ground knowledge to provide as-needed experienced engineering support; and

WHEREAS, Q Solutions, Inc. is a Georgia corporation with its principal place of business located at 6617 Gunstock Lane, Tucker, Georgia 30084, which is properly authorized to business in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Q Solutions, Inc. proposes to provide the technical support services on an hourly basis at the following rates:

Team Member	Hourly Rate
Project Manager	\$161.77
Senior Engineer	\$151.20
Engineer	\$135.48
Clerical	\$76.88

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Engineering Division recommends contracting with Q Solutions, Inc. during Fiscal Year 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an engineering technical support services contract with Q Solutions, Inc. on an hourly basis at the rates set forth above for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 during Fiscal Year 2023, without further authorization from the City Council.

Council Member Lindsay moved adoption; Vice President Lee seconded.

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

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

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

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW WAY MISSISSIPPI, INC. FOR LITTER REMOVAL FROM PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN THE CITY OF JACKSON.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is in need of services to clean litter from public rights-of-way as a part of its maintenance of its roads and streets; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Division received a proposal from New Way Mississippi, Inc. for litter removal from public rights-of-way in the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, New Way Mississippi Inc. is a Mississippi non-profit corporation, whose principal address is 6510 Cole Road, P.O. Box 24404, Ridgeland, Mississippi 39157; and

WHEREAS, New Way Mississippi, Inc. will provide ten (10) laborers for two (2) cleanup crews and crew chiefs and a project manager to work with Solid Waste staff; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work for the contract includes sorting, loading, and hauling of litter and other debris from public rights-of-way in the City; and

WHEREAS, all supporting documents for laborers, load tickets for disposed debris, and completed work areas will be submitted for daily reporting; and

WHEREAS, the City will pay New Way Mississippi, Inc. \$25,000.00 per month in amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period beginning February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024 based on providing 10 laborers @ \$15.63/hr. x 160/hrs./month; man hour rate includes funds to cover labor costs, transportation costs, supplies, management costs, and administrative costs; the rate also includes disposal costs, supplies, management, and administrative cost.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract with New Way Mississippi, Inc. to provide litter removal from public rights-of-way for the City of Jackson in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period beginning February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024.

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

President Foote recognized **Terry Williamson, Legal Counsel and Lakesha Weathers, Manager of the Solid Waste Division**, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER RATIFYING THE PROCUREMENT OF SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM BY-PASS PUMPS FROM HYDRA SERVICE, INC. AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO SAID VENDOR.

WHEREAS, the Water-Sewer Utility Division of the Department of Public Works has emergency need for by-pass pumps to comply with the Clean Water Act to address certain sewer main breaks at various locations within the City of Jackson's wastewater collections system; and

WHEREAS, due to exigent circumstances, the procurement of these by-pass pumps from Hydra Service, Inc. was done without prior approval by the City Purchasing Manager or the City Council of the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the by-pass pumps at the locations set forth in certain invoices attached hereto totaling \$95,444.00 were provided by Hydra Service, Inc. to the Water-Sewer Utilities Division; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that sewerage is prevented from freely running on the ground and into the rivers and lakes of the United States and to assist the City in complying with the Clean Water Act, it is necessary to pay these outstanding invoices to continue receiving any needed equipment from this vendor.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that rental of bypass pumps from Hydra Service, Inc. is hereby ratified and payment to Hydra Service, Inc. in the amount of \$95,444.00 be made, consistent with the attached invoices.

Council Member Grizzell moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER ABANDONING ANY CITY INTEREST IN PLATTED UTILITY EASEMENTS ALONG THE SOUTH LOT LINE OF LOT 50, COUNTRY CLUB OF JACKSON SUBDIVISION AND ALONG THE NORTH LOT LINE OF LOT 49, COUNTRY CLUB OF JACKSON SUBDIVISION.

WHEREAS, the Country Club of Jackson subdivision, as platted and accepted by the Hinds County Board of Supervisors in 1962, includes a 5-foot utility easement along the south lot line of Lot 50 and a 5-foot utility easement along the north lot line of Lot 49; and

WHEREAS, the owner of Lots 49 and 50 desires to combine the lots into one for the purpose of constructing a new home that would sit on the platted easements along the south lot line of Lot 50 and the north lot line of Lot 49; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has no existing utilities and no need to construct future utilities in the easements; and

WHEREAS, the because the plat is not clear as to whether the governing authority, which was the Hinds County Board of Supervisors in 1962 but is now the City of Jackson today, has any rights to the said easements, it is necessary to spread upon the minutes of the City Council an order abandoning any interest in said easements.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that City of Jackson vacates and abandons any and all interest in a 5-foot utility easement along the south lot line of Lot 50, Country Club of Jackson subdivision, excluding the 5 feet closest to the east lot line where a 5-foot utility easement is platted.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that City of Jackson vacates and abandons any and all interest in a 5-foot utility easement along the north lot line of Lot 49, Country Club of Jackson subdivision excluding the 5 feet closest to the east lot line where a 5-foot utility easement is platted.

Council Member Banks moved adoption; Council Member Hartley seconded.

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER RATIFYING PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES FROM VARIOUS VENDORS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS TO SAID VENDORS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Garage Division of the Department of Public Works had need of certain repair services and parts necessary for the operation and maintenance of city vehicles and equipment used by the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, due to exigent circumstances, the procurement of these necessary repair services and parts was done without prior approval by the City Purchasing Manager or the City Council of the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the repair services and purchase of parts set forth in certain invoices attached hereto were provided to the Municipal Garage for repairs to various Department of Public Works vehicles, and said repairs have been completed.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that payment to the following vendors in the amounts set forth be made, consistent with the attached invoices:

1-800-Radiator	\$129.00
A-1 Lock & Safe, LLC	\$125.00
Advance Auto Parts	\$505.63
AutoZone	\$145.34
Big 10 Tire Pros	\$1,014.54
Bumper to Bumper	\$2,277.69
Clarke Power Services	\$622.17
Deviney Equipment	\$644.86
Goodyear	\$4,895.73
Herrin Gear Chevrolet	\$137.55
Jenkins Automotive	\$4,437.40
Key Stone	\$969.75
Jenkins Automotive	\$4,813.20
Mac Haik	\$384.29
Mid-State Glass Co.	\$1,160.50
Mid-South Machinery, Inc.	\$1,722.73
Napa Auto Parts	\$81.75
Superior Auto & Truck	\$ 77.40
O'Reilly Auto Parts	\$1,020.60
Southern Hose & Gasket of MS	\$154.40
The Mississippi Link	\$28.02
RentERG	\$ 3,786.84
Empire	\$ 12,378.32
Total	\$ 41,512.71

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

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF FULL AND FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF JACKSON IN THE MATTER OF "AUSTIN EARLEY VS. FREDERICK REGINAL, JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI AND JOHN DOES 1 – 10" IN

**THE COUNTY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MS FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT;
CAUSE NO.: 21-436.**

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2020, plaintiff, Austin Earley, filed a Complaint naming the City of Jackson, Mississippi as one of the defendants, alleging negligence on the part of a city employee involved in a motor vehicle accident that resulted in alleged personal injuries to the plaintiff. The case is styled "Austin Earley vs. the City of Jackson, Mississippi", In the Circuit Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, Cause No. 21-436; and

WHEREAS, the parties, through counsel, participated in mediation and reached a proposed agreement to settle the aforementioned lawsuit styled "Austin Earley vs. the City of Jackson, Mississippi" in the County Court of Hinds County, Mississippi, First Judicial District, Cause No. 21-436; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney is recommending the City of Jackson fully and finally resolve the lawsuit styled "Austin Earley vs. the City of Jackson, Mississippi" in the County Court of Hinds County, Mississippi, First Judicial District, Cause No. 21-436 with the Plaintiff and their attorney, Jessica Roundtree, in return for a complete release of the City and Entry of an Agreed Order of Dismissal with Prejudice; and

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

WHEREAS, based on disputed liability on the part of the City and disputed damages suffered by the plaintiff, Austin Earley, it is in the best interest of the City of Jackson to resolve this matter and settle all claims asserted by the plaintiff against all defendants by paying a settlement amount from the City's State Tort (MTCA) fund to the Plaintiff by way of a check in said amount to be made out to the Plaintiff, Austin Earley, and his attorney, Jessica Roundtree.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the payment be conditioned upon the receipt of a release and Agreed Order of Dismissal with Prejudice both fully executed by the Plaintiff and executed as to form by his attorney.

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

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

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

ORDER AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO THE CAPITAL CITY CONVENTION CENTER.

WHEREAS, certain unbudgeted needs and allocations in the amount of \$300,000.00 have arisen since the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 City of Jackson Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 City of Jackson Budget needs to be amended to provide funding for these unbudgeted needs by moving funds from fund balance where they are needed to fund additional, unfunded needs of the Capital City Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Telecommunication Conference and Training Center Commission was created pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. § 31-31-5 and funding for the

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maintenance of the facility and renovations, improvements and additions to the facility is provided pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. § 31-31-11; and

WHEREAS, for approximately three years, since March 2020, the funding received pursuant to the statute has been expended on bond deficits and bond payments, and has therefore resulted in no sales tax funds flowing directly to the Commission for payments to the operator management company; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2021, the Jackson City Council authorized the Mayor to issue American Rescue Plan funds to the Jackson Convention Complex in the amount of \$570,000.00 and on February 4, 2022, the Jackson City Council authorized the Mayor to issue American Rescue Plan funds to the Jackson Convention Complex in the amount of \$500,000.00; and

WHEREAS, additional funding in the amount of \$300,000.00 was requested by the Capital City Convention Center for immediate funding in response to its management company's (OVG) letters of default; and

WHEREAS, without additional funding from the City of Jackson, the funding shortfalls suffered by the Capital City Convention Center may cause the Convention Center complex to cease operations; and

WHEREAS, the Convention Center complex has thirteen significant events booked for January 2023 and has repeatedly requested extensions from OVG in an effort to prevent closure of the facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has voiced concerns with the operator management company based on its inability to market the complex locally and nationally; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Jackson and the Capital City Convention Center that the Commission review the management contract terms with Visit Jackson to consider renegotiating (1) a reduction in the cost of the contractual agreement and (2) permission for Visit Jackson to play a more significant role in sales and marketing; and

WHEREAS, the following funds are being amended:

001-5899 General Fund 1 \$300,000.00

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget of the City of Jackson be amended as follows:

To/From	Fund/Account Number	Amount
From:	001-5899 General Fund 1	\$300,000.00

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

President Foote recognized **Council Member Banks** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Grizzell** to amend said order in the 10th Whereas, adding the word "shall" after the word Commission. After a thorough discussion, **Council Members Banks** and **Grizzell** withdrew their motion and second.

President Foote recognized **Council Member Banks** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Grizzell** to amend said order in the 10th Whereas, adding the word "shall" after the word Commission and to add "OVG" before the word management contract. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

Absent – Stokes.

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

ORDER AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO THE CAPITAL CITY CONVENTION CENTER.

WHEREAS, certain unbudgeted needs and allocations in the amount of \$300,000.00 have arisen since the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 City of Jackson Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 City of Jackson Budget needs to be amended to provide funding for these unbudgeted needs by moving funds from fund balance where they are needed to fund additional, unfunded needs of the Capital City Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Telecommunication Conference and Training Center Commission was created pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. § 31-31-5, and funding for the maintenance of the facility and renovations, improvements and additions to the facility is provided pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. § 31-31-11; and

WHEREAS, for approximately three years, since March 2020, the funding received pursuant to the statute has been expended on bond deficits and bond payments, and has therefore resulted in no sales tax funds flowing directly to the Commission for payments to the operator management company; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2021, the Jackson City Council authorized the Mayor to issue American Rescue Plan funds to the Jackson Convention Complex in the amount of \$570,000.00 and on February 4, 2022, the Jackson City Council authorized the Mayor to issue American Rescue Plan funds to the Jackson Convention Complex in the amount of \$500,000.00; and

WHEREAS, additional funding in the amount of \$300,000.00 was requested by the Capital City Convention Center for immediate funding in response to its management company's (OVG) letters of default; and

WHEREAS, without additional funding from the City of Jackson, the funding shortfalls suffered by the Capital City Convention Center may cause the Convention Center complex to cease operations; and

WHEREAS, the Convention Center complex has thirteen significant events booked for January 2023 and has repeatedly requested extensions from OVG in an effort to prevent closure of the facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has voiced concerns with the operator management company based on its inability to market the complex locally and nationally; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Jackson and the Capital City Convention Center that the Commission shall review the OVG management contract terms with Visit Jackson to consider renegotiating (1) a reduction in the cost of the contractual agreement and (2) permission for Visit Jackson to play a more significant role in sales and marketing; and

WHEREAS, the following funds are being amended:

001-5899 General Fund 1 \$300,000.00

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget of the City of Jackson be amended as follows:

To/From	Fund/Account Number	Amount
From:	001-5899 General Fund 1	\$300,000.00

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

ORDER AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF JACKSON TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO THE TORT CLAIMS FUND.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §11-46-17(2) each governmental entity other than political subdivisions shall participate in a comprehensive plan of self-insurance or one or more policies of liability insurance or combination of the two (2), all to be administered by the Department of Finance and Administration; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §11-46-17(2), each governmental entity participating in the plan shall make payments to the board in such amounts, times and manner determined by the board as the board deems necessary to provide sufficient funds to be available for payment by the board of the costs it incurs in providing coverage for the governmental entity; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §11-46-17(2) each governmental entity of the state other than the political subdivisions thereof participating in the plan procured by the board shall be issued by the board a certificate of coverage whose form and content shall be determined by the board but which shall have the effect of certifying that, in the opinion of the board, each of such governmental entities is adequately insured; and

WHEREAS, on or about December 12, 2022, the Tort Claims Board confirmed the City of Jackson Tort Fund was underfunded in the amount of \$1,140,929.00 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Budget needs to be amended to provide funding for these unbudgeted needs by moving funds from fund balance where they are needed to fund additional, unfunded needs of the Tort Fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has worked with the Tort Claims Board to develop a payment plan to pay the underfunded balance in installments; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Jackson to transfer funds to cover the first installment to the Tort Claims Board; and

WHEREAS, the following funds are being amended: 001-5899 General Fund 1 \$400,000.00.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget of the City of Jackson be amended as follows:

To/From	Fund/Account Number	Amount
From:	001-5899 General Fund 1	\$400,000.00
To:	001-40792-6765	\$400,000.00
From:	018-5911	\$400,000.00
To:	018-51820-6722	\$400,000.00

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

President Foote recognized **Catoria Martin**, City Attorney and **Sharon Thames**, Deputy Director of Administration, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE THAT WOULD GIVE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF A MUNICIPALITY AND/OR PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER UTILITY OWNED BY A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY THE AUTHORITY TO ENACT RATE STRUCTURES AND CUSTOMER AFFORDABILITY PROGRAMS TO ASSIST LOW INCOME CUSTOMERS AND TO GENERALLY ALLOW FOR THE ADJUSTMENT, RELEASE, OR EXTINGUISHING OF INDEBTEDNESS FROM A CUSTOMER'S WATER AND SEWER BILL UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi (Governing Authorities) have met to consider support for certain proposed legislation during the 2021 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council resolve to support certain legislation deemed worthy by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is currently under a Consent Decree with the United States of America and Mississippi for its sewer system that will require it to make substantial replacement and repair of components in the sewer system to greatly reduce, if not eliminate, sanitary sewer overflows; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently under an Emergency Consent Order with the U.S.E.P.A. and a Bilateral Consent Agreement with the Mississippi State Department of Health for its drinking water treatment system that will require it to make substantial improvements and repairs to components at its water treatment plants, well system, water distribution system; and

WHEREAS, the work required under these agreements will require the City to increase its water and sewer rates in the coming years, thereby increasing the burden on low-income customers, particularly low-income customers who make up the lowest 20% of incomes; and

WHEREAS, based on the City's experience, particularly during the COVID-19 Pandemic, when low-income customers receive water bills, they are unable to pay in total, they are likely to make little to no payment on their water bills; and

WHEREAS, when low-income customers fail to pay their water bills, the funds the City needs to operate and maintain the water and sewer systems and to meet its legal obligations under its permits and various orders is further reduced; and

WHEREAS, this situation will lead to a self-perpetuating spiral of ever-increasing water and sewer rates as the City attempts to recover this loss in funding through those customers who are capable of paying, resulting in those customers paying rates higher than would be necessary, if the City were able to collect affordable payments for water and sewer services from its low-income customers; and

WHEREAS, in order for these low-income customers to continue to be able to afford potable water, which is vital to public health and safety, the City will need the authority to craft rate structures and customer assistance programs that will result in rates of approximately 4% of household income, which is the affordability standard recognized by the U.S.E.P.A.; and

WHEREAS, there are also instances where the City needs the authority to address issues that arise for all customers; and

WHEREAS, there are instances of error on the part of the publicly owned water and sewer utilities, such as equipment failure or process failure, which may cause an increase in the customer's indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, also there are instances where the customer is faced with unforeseen damage, extreme weather-related events or mandatory evacuations, which may cause an increase in their lack of ability to pay.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Jackson, Mississippi supports proposed legislative initiatives to be considered during the 2021 Session of the Mississippi Legislature that would give governing authorities of a municipality, and water and sewer utilities owned by a governmental entity the authority to enact rate structures and customer affordability programs to assist low-income customers.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Jackson, Mississippi supports proposed legislative initiatives to be considered during the 2021 Session of the Mississippi Legislature that will give governing authorities of a municipality, and water and sewer utilities owned by a governmental entity the authority to adjust, release, or extinguish indebtedness from a customer's water and sewer bill under certain circumstances, in particular those described above.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned, as well as a copy to each member of the Hinds County delegation.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON REQUESTING \$20,000,000.00 IN FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO ASSIST IN MAKING REPAIRS TO THE CITY'S SEWER WEST BANK INTERCEPTOR.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is in need of significant repairs to its West Bank Interceptor in order to ensure the safety and reliability and quality of life of the system for its residents, businesses, and governmental entities located within Mississippi Capital City; and

WHEREAS, these repairs will require a significant amount of funding that the City of Jackson is currently unable to provide on its own; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is committed to working with the State of Mississippi to secure the necessary funding and future planning to make these repairs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON that the City of Jackson hereby requests \$20,000,000.00 in funding from the State of Mississippi to assist in making repairs to the city's West Bank Interceptor, thereby improving the quality of life and reliability for residential and business customers and governmental entities that rely on the proper function of the West Banks Interceptor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Jackson is willing to work with the State of Mississippi to develop a plan for the use of these funds that will ensure that the necessary repairs are made in a timely and cost-effective manner. Furthermore, a copy of this resolution will be presented and delivered to the Hinds County Delegation of Legislators and all vested and interested parties, to address sewer issues with the West Bank Interceptor.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR FUNDS SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Legislative Committee ("Legislative Committee") of the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson"), has met to consider support for certain proposed legislation during the 2023 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has recommended that the City Council resolve to support certain legislation deemed worthy by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, cities are charged to assess and rehabilitate critical sewer issues that have cause Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO's); and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has documented 196 critical locations across the city that are suspected of having sewer system failures and there is a need to specifically evaluate the damage at each location, develop a rehabilitation design and construct necessary improvements to restore the sewer system at these locations to its proper function and conveyance capacity; and

WHEREAS, this project will evaluate the operational and structural conditions across 130,000 lineal feet of sewer pipes of various diameters and 524 manholes. An appropriate rehabilitation design will be developed and the necessary improvements will be constructed to restore the sewer system within South and West Jackson, within the low and moderate household income area in Jackson; and

WHEREAS, over 50% of the area located within the Capitol Complex Improvement District, has the second largest number of reported sewer issues and thus has the second highest priority. This area includes 107,000 lineal feet of sewer pipes of various diameters and 425 manholes; and

WHEREAS, the investment in Sewer system improvement projects will enhance the quality of life of residential and businesses communities within the City, as well as the metro area.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Jackson, Mississippi accepts the recommendation of the Legislative Committee and supports proposed legislative initiatives to be considered during the 2023 Session of the Mississippi Legislature requesting \$145,021,753, for sewer system improvement projects, within the capital city of the state of Mississippi; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned, as well as a copy to each member of the Hinds County delegation.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR THE JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE INCREASED FIRE PROTECTION.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Legislative Committee ("Legislative Committee") of the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson"), has met to consider support for certain proposed legislation during the 2023 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has recommended that the City Council resolve to support certain legislation deemed worthy by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and its governing authorities seek to enhance the effectiveness of its fire department and provide increased fire protection for its residents and businesses within the Capital City; and

WHEREAS, FireStation#5 serves an area that is home to the State's largest medical complex and a vibrant educational community; and

WHEREAS, Fire Station #5 is outdated and not sufficiently outfitted to house the essential equipment needed to effectively fight fires in the multiple-storied facilities it serves; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department is also in dire need of another 100ft. ladder truck to increase its capacity to fight fires in the City of Jackson.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Jackson, Mississippi accepts the recommendation of the Legislative Committee and supports proposed legislative initiatives to be considered during the 2023 Session of the Mississippi Legislature requesting (\$5,000,000.00) seeking to improve the building of a new Fire Station #5 and acquisition of a 100 ft. ladder truck at (\$1,400,000.00) for the Jackson Fire Department.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned, as well as a copy to each member of the Hinds County delegation.

Council Member Lindsay moved adoption; Council Member Grizzell seconded.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI REQUESTING FUNDING FOR A HOLDING FACILITY IN THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and the State Capitol Police and the Hinds County Sheriff's Office, have a shared need for a designated holding facility to serve the city and the state, and

WHEREAS, currently there is no holding facility for misdemeanor offenders that commit crime within the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, when arrests are being made within the Capital of Mississippi, Law Enforcement partners in most cases, must field release offenders due to the Capital City not having such a holding facility; and

WHEREAS, the desired holding facility, behind the Hinds County Courthouse, is in need of repairs in order to continue serving its intended purpose, and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of these repairs is \$2,000,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson does not have the necessary funds to complete these repairs on its own.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Jackson hereby requests funding support in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 from the State of Mississippi to assist with the repairs of the designated holding facility to be used by the City of Jackson, Hinds County Sheriff's Office and the State Capitol Police.

Council Member Grizzell moved adoption; Council Member Lindsay seconded.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY WITHIN THE CAPITAL CITY.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Legislative Committee ("Legislative Committee") of the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson"), has met to consider support for certain proposed legislation during the 2023 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has recommended that the City Council resolve to support certain legislation deemed worthy by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, cities are charged to monitor, assess, and utilized data to ensure safety; not the invasion of privacy; and

WHEREAS, many cities utilize technology to assist understaffed police departments in their crime reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson and its governing authorities seek to enhance its policing capabilities, response time, and case solving rate by providing its police department with the most current and effective crime reduction technology; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Capitol City of the State Mississippi have suffered from illegal gunfire within communities, terrorizing citizens in the state of Mississippi, and its most vulnerable communities; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol City of the State of Mississippi, has experienced gun violence in record numbers, threatening the safety and well-being of state citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Jackson, MS has found that technology such as, Video/Shot Detection, EvidenceIQ, and Milo Range Systems will help deter and reduce crimes of this nature; and

WHEREAS, the investment for this technology will deter crime in both residential and businesses communities within the City, as well as the metro area.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Jackson, Mississippi accepts the recommendation of the Legislative Committee and supports proposed legislative initiatives to be considered during the 2023 Session of the Mississippi Legislature requesting 2,889,495, seeking to improve public safety in the City of Jackson through the purchase of crime reduction technology for the Jackson Police Department.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned, as well as a copy to each member of the Hinds County delegation.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR BOND MONEY FOR REAL TIME CRIME CENTER FOR THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Legislative Committee ("Legislative Committee") of the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson"), has met to consider support for certain proposed legislation during the 2023 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has recommended that the City Council resolve to support certain legislation deemed worthy by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, cities are charged to monitor, assess, and utilized data to ensure safety; not the invasion of privacy; and

WHEREAS, many cities like Austin (TX), Charlotte (NC), Memphis (TN), Newark (NJ) and New York (NY) have Real Time Command Centers and have been able to see a reduction in crime; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities of the City of Jackson seek to improve public safety through the establishment and operations of a Real Time Command Center; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson seeks to enhance its policing capabilities, response time, and case solving rate by establishing a technology driven command center otherwise known as a "Real Time Command Center"; and

WHEREAS, the 185 GETAC Edge is an in-car video system. The video can be used for officer's safety, integrity and investigative purposes. The video is in Real Time and records from the initial call for service and through the investigation at the scene deterring and reducing crime within the Capital City; and

WHEREAS, surveillance technology provides comprehensive data to increase efficiency, sustainability, and safety; and

WHEREAS, such technology is very costly, but produces quality data to protect communities; and

WHEREAS, the investment for this technology will deter crime in both residential and businesses communities within the City, as well as the metro area.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Jackson, Mississippi accepts the recommendation of the Legislative Committee and supports proposed legislative initiatives to be considered during the 2023 Session of the Mississippi Legislature requesting \$4,828,117 seeking to improve public safety through the establishment and operations of a Real Time Command Center in Jackson, Mississippi.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned, as well as a copy to each member of the Hinds County delegation:

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

President Foote recognized **Vice President Lee** who moved; seconded by **Council Member Hartley** to amend said order in the title and throughout the body changing "Crime Center" to "Command Center". The motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

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

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, IN SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR BOND MONEY FOR REAL TIME COMMAND CENTER FOR THE JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Legislative Committee ("Legislative Committee") of the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson"), has met to consider support for certain proposed legislation during the 2023 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has recommended that the City Council resolve to support certain legislation deemed worthy by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, cities are charged to monitor, assess, and utilized data to ensure safety; not the invasion of privacy; and

WHEREAS, many cities like Austin (TX), Charlotte (NC), Memphis (TN), Newark (NJ) and New York (NY) have Real Time Command Centers and have been able to see a reduction in crime; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities of the City of Jackson seek to improve public safety through the establishment and operations of a Real Time Command Center; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson seeks to enhance its policing capabilities, response time, and case solving rate by establishing a technology driven command center otherwise known as a "Real Time Command Center"; and

WHEREAS, the 185 GETAC Edge is an in-car video system. The video can be used for officer's safety, integrity and investigative purposes. The video is in Real Time and records from the initial call for service and through the investigation at the scene deterring and reducing crime within the Capital City; and

WHEREAS, surveillance technology provides comprehensive data to increase efficiency, sustainability, and safety; and

WHEREAS, such technology is very costly, but produces quality data to protect communities; and

WHEREAS, the investment for this technology will deter crime in both residential and businesses communities within the City, as well as the metro area.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Jackson, Mississippi accepts the recommendation of the Legislative Committee and supports proposed legislative initiatives to be considered during the 2023 Session of the Mississippi Legislature requesting \$4,828,117 seeking to improve public safety through the establishment and operations of a Real Time Command Center in Jackson, Mississippi.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned, as well as a copy to each member of the Hinds County delegation.

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI, IN SUPPORT OF A PROPOSED REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR CONTINUED RENOVATION OF THE RUSSELL C. DAVIS PLANETARIUM.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi (Governing Authorities) have met to consider support for certain proposed legislation during the 2023 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the City Council resolves to support certain legislation deemed worthy by the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson seeks to continue providing a sustainable quality of life, a vibrant tourist atmosphere, and authentic cultural experiences for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City is a central place for the sciences, tourism, economic growth, entertainment, and family fun; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authorities of the City of Jackson seek to improve the City's ability to foster a more vibrant, enjoyable, and inviting environment for industry groups and to improve the tourism and STEM-focused scene for citizens and tourists; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services oversees the Russell C. Davis Planetarium which is soon to begun its first full renovation in its 40+ year history; and

WHEREAS, these locations provide an entry into the world of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM); and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson is pleased to provide its citizens and visitors an atmosphere filled with education and entertainment through its cultural facilities and programming; and

WHEREAS, we are excited to move forward with continued renovations of the Russell C. Davis planetarium as a part of the City of Jackson's bicentennial celebration; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has made many improvements, however, further renovations and upgrades are needed for improvements to the above stated facilities; and

WHEREAS, this facility has vital importance to the Capital City of the State Mississippi, and there is significant and strategic interest from Downtown Partners to provide assurance of this project; and

WHEREAS, the City is requesting Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) in support of preparation for continued renovation of the Russell C. Davis Planetarium.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Jackson, Mississippi supports the proposed request for Three Million (\$3,000,000) in funding in support of its efforts to renovate and upgrade the facilities delineated herein.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned, as well as a copy to each member of the Hinds County delegation.

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

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

Nays – None.

Absent – Stokes.

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

DISCUSSION: PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: President Foote stated said item would be held until a later date at the request of Council Member Stokes.

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

DISCUSSION: EMS DISTRICT: President Foote recognized Vice President Lee, who expressed concerns about ambulance response times.

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

DISCUSSION: CITY OF JACKSON 2023 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA: President Foote recognized Vice President Lee, who expressed gratitude to Council Member Banks for making sure Resolutions were prepared to help advance the City's Legislative agenda.

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

DISCUSSION: WATER METERS: President Foote stated said item would be held until a later date at the request of Council Member Stokes.

The meeting was closed in memory of the following:

- Stacey Johnson

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was unanimously voted to adjourn until the Regular Zoning Council Meeting at 2:30 p.m. on January 23, 2023. At 11:58 a.m., the Council stood adjourned.

PREPARED BY:

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APPROVED:

Ashby Foote, 2/14/2023
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Angela Harris
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