**BE IT REMEMBERED** that a Special Meeting of the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, was called by a majority of the City Council Members and notices having been placed by the Clerk of Council at 1:45 p.m. Tuesday, August 15, 2023 in the Clerk of Council's Office, electronic notifications to all Council Members, on the City's website and on the public bulletin board in City Hall, relative to: (1) Order authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Shred-It (Stericycle) for the purpose to dispose various outdated, non-official documents at the Metrocenter. (2) Order accepting the assignment of certain contracts relating to repairs and maintenance of the Sewer System from the Interim Third-Party Manager. (3) Order accepting proposal of Lexington Insurance et. al Group to provide commercial property and Boiler & Machinery insurance coverage for the City of Jackson obtained by Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance Agency for the period August 15, 2023 through August 15, 2024. (4) Order authorizing the City of Jackson to ratify services provided by Get-Comm for the installation of equipment and related services to upgrade outdated equipment in the Council Chambers. The meeting was convened in the Council Chambers located at 219 S. President Street at 5:30 p.m. on August 15, 2023 being the third Tuesday of said month, when and where the following things were had and done to wit:

Present:

Council Members: Aaron Banks, President, Ward 6; Angelique Lee, Council Vice President, Ward 2 (via teleconference); Ashby Foote, Ward 1 (via teleconference); Brian Grizzell, Ward 4; Vernon Hartley, Ward 5 and Virgi Lindsay, Ward 7. Directors: Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor; Fidelis Malembeka, Chief Financial Officer; Shanekia Mosley-Jordan, Clerk of the Council; Sabrina Shelby, Chief Deputy Clerk of Council and Terry Williamson, Legal Counsel.

Absent:

Kenneth I. Stokes, Ward 3.

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The meeting was called to order by President Banks.

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## ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SHRED-IT (STERICYCLE) FOR THE PURPOSE TO DISPOSE VARIOUS OUTDATED, NON-OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS AT THE METRO CENTER.

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

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

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson Parks and Recreation Department would like to dispose a large amount of old paperwork, documents, etc. dated as far back as the year of 1993 through year 2013; and

WHEREAS, Shed-It (Stericycle), is one of the largest shredding companies in North America. Shred-It is a NAID Certified Company and is insured and bonded for \$5,000,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Shed-It (Stericycle), has agreed to provide shredding services with an additional (10) ninety-six-gallon totes with delivery and pick-up; and

**WHEREAS**, in furtherance, Shed-It (Stericycle), service fee is \$235.00, and additional totes are \$75.00 per tote, total \$1,162.30.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute an Agreement with Shed-It (Stericycle), and all documents necessary to effect the terms of the Agreement, for disposable of various documents at the Metro Center Mall Office Suite 104, located at 1000 Metrocenter Drive in Jackson, Mississippi, with the total cost not to exceed \$1,162.30 and the payment made from account number 005-501.10-6419.

Council Member Grizzell moved adoption; Council Member Lindsay seconded.

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

Nays - None.

Absent - Hartley and Stokes.

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ORDER ACCEPTING THE ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS RELATING TO REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SEWER SYSTEM FROM THE INTERIM THIRD-PARTY MANAGER.

WHEREAS, the City Council authorized the City Attorney to execute a Stipulated Order in *United States of America, et al. vs. The City of Jackson, Mississippi*, Civil Action No. 3:12-cv-790 HTW-LGI, U.S.S.D. Miss.; and

**WHEREAS,** in part, the Stipulated Order places an interim third-party manager, Ted Henifin acting through JXN Water, in control of the City's Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, the Stipulated Order provided for Public Participation in the form of the acceptance of comments about the Stipulated Order prior to the United States moving for entry of the Stipulated Order or, alternatively, the withdrawal of the United States's consent to the Stipulated Order; and

WHEREAS, prior to the Public Participation completion, on July 31, 2023, the Court entered the Stipulated Order; and

WHEREAS, at the Court's August 14, 2023 Status Conference, the Court stated that, pursuant to the request of the United States and with the agreement of the other parties, the Court intended to vacate the entry of the Stipulated Order and withhold entry until the completion of the Public Participation process set forth in the Stipulated Order; and

WHEREAS, between July 31, 2023 and August 14, 2023, at the direction of the Court, Mr. Henifin, through JXN Water, began operating the City of Jackson Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, as a part of its operation of the City of Jackson Sewer System, JXN Water entered into contracts with Q Solutions, Inc., Brown and Caldwell, Delta Constructors, Inc., Compliance Envirosystems, LLC (CES), Hydro Flow Solutions, LLC, and time and materials agreement with Utility Constructors, Inc. based on the City's prior term bid; and

WHEREAS, due to the order being vacated, JXN Water no longer possesses the authority to operate the City of Jackson Sewer System until after the completion of the Public Participation process within the Stipulated Order and its entry, which may take a month or more to complete; and

WHEREAS, during the period of time between the Stipulated Order being vacated by the Court and its entry following the completion of Public Participation, the work being performed by the contractor listed above will cease unless these contracts are assigned to the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, under the assignment to the City of Jackson, JXN Water will be the project manager for all projects.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that assignments of certain contracts relating to repairs and maintenance of the City of Jackson Sewer System from JXN Water are accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to execute contract assignments from JXN Water to the City of Jackson for contract agreements with Q Solutions, Inc., Brown and Caldwell, Delta Constructors, Inc., Compliance Envirosystems, LLC, Hydro Flow Solutions, LLC, Utility Constructors, Inc., and such other contractors identified by JXN Water as necessary for the repair and maintenance of the City of Jackson Sewer System.

Council Member Grizzell moved adoption; Council Member Lindsay seconded.

MINUTE BOOK 6X

## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023 5:30 P.M.

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President Banks recognized Terry Williamson, Legal Counsel, who provided a brief overview of said item.

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

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

Nays - None.

Absent – Hartley and Stokes.

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Note: Council Member Hartley joined the meeting.

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ORDER ACCEPTING PROPOSAL OF LEXINGTON INSURANCE ET.AL. GROUP TO PROVIDE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AND BOILER & MACHINERY INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON OBTAINED BY FISHER BROWN BOTTRELL INSURANCE AGENCY FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 15, 2023 THROUGH AUGUST 15, 2024.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jackson entered into an Insurance Service Agreement with Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance Agency to obtain Property and Boiler & Machinery Insurance Coverage for the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance Agency solicited quotes from insurance firms to obtain commercial property and boiler & machinery insurance coverage on the City of Jackson's properties and facilities; and

WHEREAS, Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance Company advised that Lexington Insurance et.al. submitted the best quote to provide property and boiler & machinery insurance coverage for the City of Jackson with an annual premium in the amount of \$3,149,824.69; and

**WHEREAS**, the deductible associated with Lexington Insurance et.al. proposal is \$250,000.00.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to execute any necessary documents to accept the proposal of Lexington Insurance et.al. as obtained by Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance Agency to provide commercial property and boiler & machinery insurance coverage for the City of Jackson with an annual premium in the amount of \$3,149,824.69 for the period August 15, 2023 to August 15, 2024 be accepted.

Council Member Grizzell moved adoption; Council Member Lindsay seconded.

President Banks recognized MacDarrell Poullard, Risk Manager, Terry Williamson, Legal Counsel and Brian Johnson, Executive Vice President of FBB Insurance, who provided a detailed and thorough overview of said item.

Thereafter, President Banks called for a vote on said item:

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

Nays – Foote.

Absent - Stokes.

**Note:** All members of the City Council expressed their disapproval of how the addressing of the lapse in coverage for all city property was presented to the Council at the last minute to be voted upon for approval.

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ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JACKSON TO RATIFY SERVICES PROVIDED BY GET-COMM FOR THE INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT AND RELATED SERVICES TO UPGRADE OUTDATED EQUIPMENT IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson has experienced technical difficulties for several years due to outdated equipment in the Council Chambers; and

WHEREAS, GET-COMM submitted a quote and performed work in the amount of \$24,620.00 to install upgraded equipment which included the following professional services: mobile device programming, installation services, ethernet cable drops, programming of AV applications, and "Jackson's SLA for Council" associated with the upgrade of the City of Jackson Council Chambers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Clerk of Council recommends that the governing authorities accept the quote and work performed by from GET-COMM.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor is authorized to submit payment to GET-COMM in the amount of \$24,620.00 for the installation of equipment and related services to upgrade outdated equipment in the Council Chambers.

Council Member Grizzell moved adoption; Council Member Lindsay seconded

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

Nays – Foote.

Absent – Stokes.

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There were no reports/announcements provided during the meeting.

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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 August 21, 2023. At 6:14 p.m., the Council stood adjourned.

PREPARED BY:

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:

OUNCIL PRESIDENT DAT

**MAYOR** 

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK