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**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
November 5, 2019**

CFO/SECRETARY-TREASURER
DELIAH VAUGHN

POLICE CHIEF
FREDERICK C. SHELTON

FIRE CHIEF
MARTIN ANDREWS

HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR
PATRICIA MITCHELL

**INTERIM CITY PLANNING &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
GEORGE IRBY

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

A. MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 15, 2019

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

A. DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR NOVEMBER 5, 2019

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- M. Andrews** A. Accept letter of resignation from one (1) Fire and Rescue Firefighter, effective October 26, 2019, and approve compensation for any unused vacation and sick leave.
- M. Andrews** B. Ratify request for one (1) Fire and Rescue Engineer to attend the "ACU Update" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** C. Accept letter of **retirement** from one (1) Fire and Rescue Public Relations and Education Officer, effective November 29, 2019, and approve compensation for any unused vacation and sick leave.
- M. Andrews** D. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue Firefighter to attend "EMT Class" to be held in Mayhew, MS, and approve payment of registration and reimbursement for bloodwork.
- M. Andrews** E. Approve request for the purchase of thirty two (32) vouchers for certification and re-certification through the National Registry of EMT's.
- W. Blunt** F. Approve request for the Municipal Court Clerk to attend the "Annual Fall Board Meeting of the Municipal Court Clerks Association" to be held in Southaven, MS, at no cost to the City.
- R. Bonner** G. Approve request to refund two (2) citizens for Trotter rental fees.
- C. Bush** H. Ratify request for the Landfill Supervisor to attend the "Mississippi Recycling Coalition Conference" held in Oxford, MS, and ratify payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.

- F. Shelton** I. Approve request to send five (5) CPD Officers to the "Mississippi Delta Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy" in Moorhead, MS, and approve cost of tuition and clothing required by the academy. The clothing allowance is not to exceed \$350.00 per officer and will be reimbursed upon completion of the academy.
- F. Shelton** J. Ratify permit request submitted by Alecia Ferguson, on behalf of St. Paul's Episcopal School, to host a "Boo Parade," held on October 31, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. See attached map.
- F. Shelton** K. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc., to host the "Columbus Christmas Parade" to be held on December 2, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. See attached map.
- F. Shelton** L. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc., to host a "Wassail Fest" to be held on December 6, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in Downtown Columbus. See attached.
- F. Shelton** M. Ratify permit request submitted by Councilman Stephen Jones to host the "Ward 5 Trunk or Treat" held on October 31, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Sim Scott Park Pavilion parking lot blocking off 18th Street North from 7th Avenue North to 9th Avenue North and 8th Avenue North from 18th Street North to 19th Street North.
- F. Shelton** N. Ratify permit request submitted by Laisha O'Neal to host a "Repast" held November 1, 2019 at 1322 Second Avenue North from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., blocking Second Avenue North at 13th Street North and 14th Street North.
- R. Smith** O. Approve request for the Mayor, Council, COO and CFO to attend the "MML 2020 Mid-Winter Conference" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- D. Vaughn** P. Approve request for the CFO to attend the "2019 Annual Mississippi Municipal Clerks and Collectors Association Winter Workshop" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- C. Bush** Q. **Approve request for the Public Works Director to attend the "Mississippi 811 Damage Prevention Summit" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for lodging, travel and meal expenses.**
- C. Bush** R. **Approve request for the Public Works Office Manager to attend the "MS 811 Portal and Mobile App Workshop" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for lodging, travel and meal expenses.**
- C. Bush** S. **Accept letter of resignation from one (1) Public Works employee, effective November 5, 2019.**
- F. Shelton** T. **Accept letter of resignation from one (1) CPD Officer, effective November 12, 2019, and approve request for compensation of any unused vacation time and also approve submission of any unused sick leave to PERS.**

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

R. Smith A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members

F. Shelton B. Swearing in of five (5) CPD Officers

- Darius Dora
- Ronald Crabtree
- Joshua Kitchens
- Zachary Harrington
- Tavarus Jennings

F. Shelton C. Presentation of Commendations to four (4) CPD Officers

- Sgt. Christopher Smith
- Cpl. Tabettha Hardin
- Cpl. Roman Sones
- Ptl. Jervarcus Gooch

M. Andrews D. **Recognition of First Responders**

Lowndes County E-911 Dispatchers

- **Angelisha Langford**
- **Jacqueline Brown**

Columbus Police Department

- **Amanda Burell**
- **Raymond Lee**

Columbus Fire and Rescue

- **Robert Kain**
- **Dale Ballard**
- **Billy Clark**
- **Jason Pool**
- **Joe Bessant**
- **Deonate Jethroe**

D. Armstrong E. CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

- 1 Vacancy, Larry Fuller's 3-Year Term Expired 10/04/2019.
- Appointment can be made immediately.
- No Applicants at this time

TREE BOARD

- 2 Vacancies, 3-Year Terms for Mildred Monroe and Michael Foster Expire 12/06/2019.
- Appointments will be made December 3, 2019.

APPLICANTS

- Michael Foster
- Mildred Monroe

GTR WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

- 1 Vacancy, 4-Year Term for James Wamble III Expires 12/15/2019.
- Appointment will be made December 17, 2019.
- No Applicants at this time

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND APPEAL OF DEVELOPMENT CODES

- 1 Vacancy, 1-Year Term for Mike Gibson Expires 1/2/2020.
- Appointment will be made January 7, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

- **DELETED Brindle-Ashford—Magnolia Tree**

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

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| R. Smith | A. | Discuss/Approve resuming concrete work for sidewalks, speed humps and valley curbs. |
| J. Dillon | B. | Discuss FEMA Update. |
| J. Dillon | C. | Discuss opening of new website to allow citizens to report issues to City. |
| J. Dillon | D. | Discuss Community Recovery of Lowndes County Update. |
| S. James | E. | Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket. |
| G. Irby | F. | Award low bids to BEP Demolition Project. |
| J. Turnage | G. | Consider/Approve lease purchase financing bids for LED street-light installation. |

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: