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**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
January 21, 2020**

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 JANUARY 7, 2020

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

A. DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR JANUARY 21, 2020

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 January 29, 2020, and approve compensation for any unused vacation leave.
- M. Andrews** B. Approve request for five (5) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "Lifesaving Medal & Unit Commendations" to be held in Ridgeland, MS, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** C. Approve request for two (2) Fire and Rescue Captains to attend "Fireground Leadership" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** D. Approve request for two (2) Fire and Rescue Captains to attend "Patriot South 2020" to be held in Perry, GA, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.
- W. Blunt** E. Approve request to renew the Notary Commission for one (1) Deputy Clerk and approve payment for necessary notary supplies.
- R. Bonner** F. Approve request to refund two (2) citizens for Trotter Rental fees.
- C. Bush** G. Approve request for the Public Works Director and Landfill Supervisor to attend the "Mississippi Class I Rubbish Site Operator Certification Training" to be held in Ridgeland, MS, and approve payment for lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- F. Shelton** H. Approve request for the CPD Chief of Police, Director of Training and a Patrolman to attend the "Mississippi Delta Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy Graduation" to be held in Moorhead, Mississippi, and approve travel and meal expenses.

- G. White** I. Approve request for the Human Resource Director to get permission to advertise to fill the vacant position of Mechanic for the City Garage.
- R. Smith** J. Approve request for the Mayor's Youth Council Advisor, forty-one (41) students, one (1) Chaperone and one (1) Bus Driver to attend the "MML 13th Annual Statewide Youth Leadership Summit" to be held at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, MS, and approve payment for lodging, registration, travel and meal expenses.
- R. Smith** K. **Approve request for the Mayor, Council, COO, CFO, HR Director and Interim City Planner to attend the "89th MML Summer Conference" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.**

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- R. Smith** A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members
- M. Andrews** B. Swearing in of one (1) Columbus Fire and Rescue Firefighter
- Josh Connors
- F. Shelton** C. Presentation of Commendations to two (2) CPD Officers.
- Raymond Cyr
 - James Powell
- M. Andrews** D. Monthly report from the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department for December 2019
- M. Andrews** E. Annual Report from the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department for 2019
- W. Blunt** F. Monthly Report from the Municipal Court Department for December 2019
- C. Bush** G. Monthly Report from the Public Works Department for December 2019
- G. Irby** H. Monthly Report from the City Planning and Community Development Department for December 2019
- S. James** I. Monthly Report from the Code Enforcement Department for December 2019
- K. Wiegel** J. Monthly Report from Building Inspection Department for December 2019
- G. Lewis** K. Monthly Report from the Columbus Recreation Department for December 2019
- F. Shelton** L. Monthly Report from the Columbus Police Department for December 2019
- D. Vaughn** M. Financial Report

D. Armstrong N. Board Vacancies

TREE BOARD

- 1 Vacancy , 3 Year Term for Carol Boggess Expires 2/7/2020.
- Appointment will be made February 4, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS

- 2 Vacancies, 3 Year Terms for Chris Chain and Rob Graham Expire 2/21/2020.
- Appointments will be made March 3, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

- 2 Vacancies, 3-Year Terms for Whirlie Byrd and Nadia Colom Expire 3/1/2020.
- Appointments will be made March 3, 2020.

APPLICANT

- Whirlie Byrd

COLUMBUS MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 1 Vacancy, 5-Year Term for Telisa Clay Young Expires 3/3/2020.
- Appointment will be made March 3, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEAL OF DEVELOPMENT CODES

- 1 Vacancy, 1 Year Term for Kevin Stafford Expires 3/6/2020.
- Appointment will be made March 3, 2020.
- No Applicants at this time

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

- Robert Lancaster - Certified Local Government Grant
- Jan Miller - Expansion of Southside Historic District

- Shawn Stallings - Columbus Mentoring Program

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- D. Armstrong** A. Discuss/Approve Continuing Disclosure Agreement.
- L. Brooks** B. Discuss/Approve request from the Juneteenth Festival Committee to receive the total \$15,000 allocation for the Festival as outlined in the Inter-Local Agreement between the City of Columbus, Lowndes County Board of Supervisors and the Columbus Convention and Visitors Bureau by March 15, 2020.
- L. Brooks** C. Discuss/Approve permission request from the 2020 Juneteenth Festival Committee to sell beer in Sim Scott Park June 19-20, 2020, contingent upon the Chief of Police signing off on all necessary paperwork.
- G. Irby** D. Discuss/Approve request to apply for the 2020 Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant.
- F. Shelton** E. Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) CPD Assistant Chief, contingent upon a successful drug screen and pre-employment physical.
- F. Shelton** F. Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) CPD Captain of CID, contingent upon a successful drug screen and pre-employment physical.
- F. Shelton** G. Discuss/Approve renewal of Contract for the Provision of Supplemental Police Services.
- K. Wiegel** H. Discuss/Approve recommendations from the January 13, 2020 Planning Commission meeting.
- S. James** I. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket.
- D. Vaughn** J. **Discuss/Approve Budget Amendments for the Fire & Rescue Department.**
- G. Irby** K. **Discuss/Approve Current Properties on Blight Program.**

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: