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GEORGE IRBY

**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
September 15, 2020**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

A. MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 1 & 8, 2020

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

A. DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 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 September 16, 2020, and approve compensation for any unused vacation leave, and transfer accrued sick leave to PERS.
- M. Andrews** B. Approve request for three (3) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "HazMat Awareness Operations Final" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of travel and meal expenses.
- M. Andrews** C. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue Chief of Training to attend "Peer Assessor Site Visit" to be held in Norfolk, VA. This is at no cost to City.
- M. Andrews** D. Ratify request for three (3) Fire and Rescue Engineers to attend "Hurricane Laura Deployment" in Louisiana, and approve payment of fuel and meal expenses.
- R. Bonner** E. Approve request for the City Properties Manager/Trotter Director to submit a Notary application, and approve payment for the fee and necessary supplies.
- C. Bush** F. Accept letter of resignation from one (1) Public Works employee, effective September 8, 2020, and authorize the HR Director to begin the normal recruitment process.
- F. Shelton** G. Accept letter of resignation from one (1) CPD Officer, effective September 21, 2020.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- R. Smith** A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council
- **Jennifer James - Hope for the Cure Event**
- M. Andrews** B. Monthly Report from the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department for August 2020
- W. Blunt** C. **Monthly Report from the Municipal Court Division for August 2020**
- C. Bush** D. Monthly Report from the Public Works Department for August 2020

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| G. Irby | E. | Monthly Report from the City Planning & Community Development Department for August 2020 |
| S. James | F. | Monthly Report from the Code Enforcement Department for August 2020 |
| G. Lewis | G. | Monthly Report from the Columbus Recreation Department for August 2020 |
| F. Shelton | H. | Monthly Report from the Columbus Police Department for August 2020 |
| K. Wiegel | I. | Monthly Report from the Building Inspection Department for August 2020 |
| D. Vaughn | J. | Financial Report |

D. Armstrong K. Board Vacancies

City Planning Commission

- 1 Vacancy, Remainder of Quincy Harris' 3-Year Term Expires 11/19/2022.
- Mr. Harris resigned July 15, 2020 due to Military Assignment.
- Appointment was tabled on September 1, 2020, but can be made September 15, 2020.

APPLICANTS

- Jermaine Shanklin
- Jarvis Fenster

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

- 1 Vacancy, 5-Year Term, Expires 9/15/2020.
- Chris Chain was appointed 5/19/2020 to fill the remainder of this term previously held by John Acker, who passed away on 3/31/2020.
- Appointment can be made September 15, 2020.

APPLICANT

- **Chris Chain**

Historic Preservation Commission

- 1 Vacancy, Remainder of 4 Yr. Term, Expires 9/20/2020.
- The 9/1/2020 Agenda incorrectly listed Carolyn Burns Kaye.
- Carolyn Burns Kaye resigned 7/24/2018.
- Kenny Frye was appointed on 9/4/2018 to fill the remainder of this position.
- Appointment can be made September 15, 2020.

APPLICANT

- Kenny Frye

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

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| D. Armstrong | A. | Approve List of Appropriations for FY 2020-2021. |
| D. Vaughn | B. | Approve FY 2020-2021 Budget. |
| J. Dillon | C. | Discuss Good News Columbus Report from Columbus Fire & Rescue Hurricane Laura Response Team. |
| M. Andrews | D. | Discuss/Approve part-time employment at the Columbus Fire and Rescue Department. |
| G. Irby | E. | Discuss/Approve request to remove property from 2017 Blight Elimination Program. |
| G. Lewis | F. | Consider/Approve Construction Contract Change Authorization for Lee Park. |
| K. Stafford | G. | Discuss/Approve Submission for MDOT TAP Grant. |
| K. Stafford | H. | Discuss/Approve Advertising Bids for 2020-2021 Bond Paving. |
| K. Stafford | I. | Discuss/Approve Neel-Schaffer's contract for 2020-2021 Bond Paving. |
| S. James | J. | Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket. |

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Personnel Matters (3)