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**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
November 3, 2020**

CFO/SECRETARY-TREASURER
DELIAH VAUGHN

POLICE CHIEF
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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 20, 2020

III. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

A. DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2020

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- M. Andrews** A. Approve request for ten (10) Fire and Rescue firefighters to attend "NFPA 1002 Driver/Operator" to be held in Columbus, MS, and approve payment of registration.
- M. Andrews** B. Approve request for four (4) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "FUNSAR W/SAR TECH2" to be held in Meridian, MS, and approve payment of fuel expenses.
- M. Andrews** C. Approve request for three (3) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "NASAR ADSAR" to be held in Meridian, MS, and approve payment of fuel expenses.
- M. Andrews** D. Accept letter of resignation from one (1) Fire and Rescue Firefighter, effective October 31, 2020, and approve compensation for any unused vacation leave, and submit any unused sick leave to PERS.
- G. Drake** E. Accept letter of resignation from one (1) Forensics Lab Director, effective October 30, 2020, and approve compensation for any unused vacation leave, and submit any unused sick leave to PERS.
- G. Drake** F. Accept letter of resignation from one (1) IT Help Desk Tech, effective September 30, 2020.
- F. Shelton** G. Ratify permit request submitted by Debra Taylor, on behalf of Columbus Housing Authority, to host a "Red Ribbon Drive Through" held on October 29, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at 4th Street South to right on 10th Avenue South.
- R. Smith** H. Approve request for the Mayor, City Council, COO, CFO and Interim Planning Director to attend the MML 2021 Mid-Winter Legislative Conference to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.
- B. Williams** I. Approve request for the City Registrar and Assistant to attend the "2020 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.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- R. Smith** A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council
- D. Armstrong** B. Board Vacancies

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS OF DEVELOPMENT CODES

- 1 Vacancy, Ralph McLain's 2-Year Term Expired 10/16/2020.
- Requirements: Applicant(s) must be an Electrical Engineer or Contractor.
- Appointment can be made immediately.

APPLICANT

- Ralph McLain

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- M. Andrews** A. Discuss/Approve request to hire one (1) F & R Administrative Assistant, pending successful completion of a pre-employment physical exam and drug screen.
- M. Andrews** B. Discuss/Approve hiring two (2) Entry Level Firefighters, pending successful completion of pre-employment physical exams and drug screens.
- W. Langford** C. Discuss/Approve request to advertise for one (1) vacant Mechanic position and authorize the HR Director to begin the normal recruitment process.
- G. Lewis** D. Discuss/Approve request to re-advertise for the vacant position of Grounds Technician at the Columbus Recreation Department, and approve the HR Director to begin the normal recruitment process.
- C. Bush/P. Mitchell** E. **Discuss/Approve hiring two (2) Laborers for vacant positions in the Public Works Department, contingent on successful completion of pre-employment drug screens and medical exams.**
- D. Vaughn** F. **Discuss/Approve Amendments of Budget for FY beginning 10/01/2019 and ending 09/30/2020.**

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Personnel Matters (5)