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**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
October 4, 2022**

CFO/SECRETARY-TREASURER
JAMES BRIGHAM

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF
DORAN JOHNSON

FIRE CHIEF
DUANE HUGHES

**HUMAN RESOURCES
DIRECTOR**
PATRICIA MITCHELL

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

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

III. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

- A. Approve August 30, 2022 Special Meeting.
- B. Approve September 1, 2022 Special Meeting.
- C. Approve September 15, 2022 Special Meeting.
- D. Approve September 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- C. Gilman** A. Approve request for one (1) Forensic Scientist Trainee to attend "Basic Fingerprint Distortion" on October 12, 2022 via online webinar with a registration fee of \$125.00.
- C. Gilman** B. Approve request for one (1) Forensic Scientist Trainee to attend "Discriminating Power of Friction Ridge Arrangements" on October 26, 2022 via online webinar with a registration fee of \$125.
- C. Gilman** C. Approve request for one (1) Forensic Scientist and one (1) Forensic Scientist Trainee to attend "Tonal Transitions: Causes and Visual Effects" on October 19, 2022 via online webinar with a registration fee of \$250.
- C. Gilman** D. Approve request for one (1) Forensic Scientist to attend "Advanced Fingerprint Distortion" on October 27, 2022 via online webinar with a registration fee of \$125.
- D. Johnson** E. Approve permit request for a CPD Captain to attend the "Executive Leadership Institute Seminar" to be held in Columbus, Mississippi and approve payment for registration expenses in the amount of \$695.00.
- D. Johnson** F. Approve permit request submitted by Ann Sparkman, on behalf of Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen, to host a "Loaves and Fishes Fundraiser Take-Out Drive Thru Dinner Pick Up" to be held on October 20, 2022 from 4:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Annunciation Catholic Church Activity Center, 9th Street South entrance, blocking 9th Street South at Main Street and College Street.
- D. Johnson** G. Approve permit request submitted by Linda Neal, on behalf of Faith, Love and Food Ministry, to host a "Food Ministry" to be held on October 23, 2022 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. in Sim Scott Park.

- D. Johnson** H. Approve permit request submitted by Michael Cruse, on behalf of Victory Tabernacle Church, to host a "Fall Block Party" to be held on October 16, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at 324 Fifth Street South. See attached map.
- D. Hughes** I. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "Driver/Operator Aerial" to be held at Alabama Fire College, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$0.00.
- D. Hughes** J. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "NFPA 1001 I-II Basic Fire Fighter Trainings" to be held in Pearl, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$1,750.00.
- D. Hughes** K. Approve request for two (2) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend the "MS Training Officer Conference" to be held in Gulfport, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$1,015.00.
- D. Hughes** L. Approve request for four (4) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "Graduation" to be held in Pearl, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$50.00.
- D. Hughes** M. Approve request for 6 Fire and Rescue personnel for NREMT Exam Vouchers and 22 Fire and Rescue personnel for NREMT Recertification Vouchers to be held in Columbus, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$1,138.
- D. Johnson** N. Approve permit request submitted by Irena McClain, on behalf of Diabetes Foundation of Mississippi, to host the "Mississippi's Walk for Diabetes" to be held on October 23, 2022 from 10:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Riverwalk. See attached map.
- D. Johnson** O. Approve permit request submitted by Naomi Edmonds, on behalf of First United Methodist Early Learning Center, to host a "Boo Parade" to be held on October 28, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. See attached map.
- D. Johnson** P. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow, on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc., to host the "Christmas Parade" to be held on December 4, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.. See attached map.
- C. Bush** Q. Approve request for the Public Works Assistant Director and Office Manager to attend the MS 811 Damage Prevention Summit to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$1,427.67.
- C. Bush** R. Approve request for the Public Works Director to attend the Mississippi Public Works Association Fall Conference to be held in Gulfport, MS, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$762.33.
- D. Johnson** S. Approve permit request submitted by Shanaya Phinizee to host a "Halloween Street Carnival" to be held on October 29, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at 810 Fir Street, blocking Fir Street at Redwood Street and Gaylane Drive.

- G. Lewis** T. Approve request for Parks & Recreation Director and Director of Programs to attend Sim Scott Senior Citizen Group's Fall Trip to Memphis, TN and approve payment for meal expenses.
- W. Blunt** U. Approve request to perform in house training on policies, procedures and goals to improve services for the FY23 Budget on October 17, 2022 from 7:00am - 6:00pm.
- J. Turnage** V. Approve request to extend Woody's on the Water closing to October 31, 2022.
- G. Irby** W. Approve Stewart Stafford as the appraiser for the Blight Elimination Program in the amount of \$550 or less per unit.

V. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

- A. Approve Docket of Claims for October 4, 2022

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- A. Comments from Mayor & Council
- D. Johnson** B. Presentation of Commendation to CPD Officer Justin Robinson
- C. Board Vacancies

COLUMBUS-LOWNDES LIBRARY BOARD

1 Vacancy, 5 -Year Term, Clyde Hollis' Term Expires 09/30/2022.
Appointment will be made October 4, 2022.

- Jerry Fortenberry

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

2 Vacancies, 3-Year Terms, Chuck Bigelow's & MacArthur Inge's Terms Expire on 10/04/2022.

Appointments will be made on October 4, 2022.

- Chuck Bigelow
- MacArthur Inge
- Eric Thomas

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS &

APPEALS OF DEVELOPMENT CODES

1 Vacancy, 2-Year Term, Ralph McClain's Term Expires 11/3/2022

Appointment will be made November 1, 2022.

Applicant must be Electrical Engineer or Contractor

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

1 Vacancy, Remainder of Kenny Frye's 4 Year Term, Expires 9/20/2024.

Kenny Frye resigned Sept. 29, 2022 due to moving outside of the city limits.

Appointment will be made November 15, 2022.

- D. Edmond Green, SB Property Management Global, LLC, Oak Manor Renovation and Revitalization plan

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

- A. Minister Belinda Morris, Outreach Opportunities
- B. Diamonz Brown, 50 Shades of Fall Weekend

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- S. James** A. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket
- D. Hughes** B. Discuss/Approve the promotion of one (1) Columbus Fire & Rescue personnel from Captain to Battalion Chief, effective October 4, 2022.
- D. Hughes** C. Discuss/Approve the purchase of one (1) Rosenbauer Aerial, complete with Rosenbauer Commander chassis and Rosenbauer Viper Aerial in the amount of \$975,000.
- J. Turnage** D. Discuss/Approve Premium Pay Resolution/Affidavit for Mississippi Law Enforcement and Fire Fighters Premium Pay Program
- J. Turnage** E. Discuss/Approve taking actions regarding Sandfield Cemetery (East).

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. (3) Personnel Matters