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GEORGE IRBY

**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
June 20, 2023**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

III. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

A. Approve Minutes for Meeting of June 6, 2023

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- D. Hughes** A. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "Fire Investigator Part 1" to be held at Alabama Fire College in Tuscaloos, AL , and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$150.00.
- D. Hughes** B. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "Fire Investigator Part 2" to be held at Alabama Fire College in Tuscaloos, AL , and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$150.00.
- D. Hughes** C. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "Fire Inspector" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the amount of \$1,360.00.
- D. Hughes** D. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to be a "MS Burn Camp Counselor" at IAFF Young Burn Survivor Summit to be held in Washington, DC, from September 23, 2023 - September 29, 2023 and approve at no cost.
- G. Irby** E. Approve request for Interim City Planner to attend the Tennessee Tombigbee Waterway Conference August 8-11, 2023, to be held in Point Clear, AL and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1,118.20.
- J. Garrett** F. Approve request for Councilmembers and City Registrar to attend the Mississippi Policy Conference, CBCI, August 9-13, 2023, to be held in Biloxi, MS and approve payment of registration, travel, and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1,860.36 per person.
- J. Daughtry** G. Accept letter of resignation from one (1) CPD Reserve Officer, effective June 16, 2023.
- J. Daughtry** H. Approve request for two (2) CID Investigators to attend the "Internal Affairs Investigations Seminar" to be held in Tupelo, Mississippi and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1,050.00.

- J. Daughtry** I. Approve request for the CPD Chief of Police and an Assistant Chief to attend the "Recruiting for Law Enforcement Seminar" to be held in Pensacola, Florida, and approve payment for registration, travel, lodging and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$2,350.00.
- J. Daughtry** J. Approve request for the CPD Chief and an Assistant Chief to attend the "NIAIA 2023 Annual Training Conference" to be held in Fort Worth, Texas and approve payment for registration, travel, lodging and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$3,330.00.
- J. Garrett** K. Approve request to purchase custom embroidered shirts for the purpose of advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Columbus from Sports Specialty in the amount of \$881.25 for those attending the 92nd Mississippi Municipal League Annual Conference.
- J. Daughtry** L. Approve permit request submitted by Salem Gibson and Barbara Bigelow, on behalf of Columbus Arts Council and Main Street Columbus, to host a "Let's Flamingle Downtown/Music Concert" to be held on July 22, 2023 from 5:00pm until 10:00pm in Downtown Columbus and Leadership Plaza blocking one block of College Street from 4th to 5th Streets South at 3:00pm. Beer will be sold.
- G. Lewis** M. Accept letter of resignation of Columbus Parks & Recreation Department Grounds Technician, effective June 22, 2023 and authorize HR to begin the normal recruitment process.

V. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

- J. Brigham** A. Approve Docket of Claims for June 20, 2023

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- A. Comments from Mayor & Council
- K. Wiegel** B. Building Inspection - May 2023 Monthly Report
- R. Bonner** C. Care & Maintenance/Friendship Cemetery/Trotter Convention Center - May 2023 Monthly Report
- W. Langford** D. Garage - May 2023 Monthly Report
- D. Hughes** E. Columbus Fire and Rescue Department - May 2023 Monthly Report
- S. James** F. Code Enforcement Department - May 2023 Monthly Report
- C. Bush** G. Public Works - May 2023 Monthly Report
- P. Mitchell** H. Human Resources - May 2023 Monthly Report
- J. Daughtry** I. Columbus Police Department - May 2023 Monthly Report
- W. Blunt** J. Municipal Court - May 2023 Monthly Report
- G. Irby** K. Office of Planning & Community Development - May 2023 Monthly Report
- G. Lewis** L. Parks & Recreation - May 2023 Monthly Report
- J. Garrett** M. Community Outreach - May 2023 Monthly Report
- J. Brigham** N. Finance - May 2023 Monthly Report
- J. Garrett** O. Board Vacancies

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

2 Vacancies, 4 Year Terms, Barbara Bigelow's Term Expired 06/02/2023 & Amber Brislin's Term Expired 06/18/2023.
Appointments will be made June 20, 2023.

Barbara Bigelow

Amber Brislin

Tiffany Turner

Shannon Bowen

Bennett Windham

CITY UTILITIES COMMISSION

1 Vacancy, 5 Year Term, Jabari Edwards' Term Expired 06/19/2023.

Appointment will be made June 20, 2023.

Robert E. Smith, Sr.

Brenda Lathan

Maurice Webber

Sidney Runnels

Charlotte Braxton-Verdell

Donald Pope

COLUMBUS HOUSING AUTHORITY

1 Vacancy, 5 Year Term, Greg Lewis' Term Expires 07/03/2023.

Appointment will be made July 5, 2023.

Greg Lewis

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

1 Vacancy, 4 Year Term, Julie Parker's Term Expires 07/02/2023.

Appointment will be made July 5, 2023.

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

- A. Red Cup District - Salem Gibson/Barbara Bigelow
- B. Waste Pro USA - Trash Collection
- C. Saleen Baird - Federal Funding

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

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| S. James | A. | Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket. |
| J. Garrett | B. | Discuss/Approve Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality's (MDEQ) Resolution and Subaward Agreement authorizing Mayor Gaskin to act as the City of Columbus' Authorized Representative for the MCWI Grant Application. |
| G. Irby | C. | Discuss/Approve acceptance of BJA FY 21 JAG Grant and pay expenses in the amount of \$12,000 for the purchase of Gray Key for the Forensic Lab pending reimbursement from <i>BJA FY 21 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program</i> . |
| G. Irby | D. | Discuss/Approve acceptance of 2023 CLG Grant and pay expenses in the amount of \$10,000 for improvements to Friendship Cemetery pending reimbursement from MDAH. |
| K. Stafford | E. | Discuss/Approve Malouf Construction's pay request for Pier 2's repair and replacement in the amount of \$322,107.21. |
| K. Stafford | F. | Discuss/Approve payment of \$20,250 for roadway improvements for 5 th Street North (near Chick-Fil-A). |
| J. Brigham | G. | Discuss/Approve <i>Intent to Borrow Resolution</i> for Propst Park Improvements. |
| J. Turnage | H. | Discuss/Approve Ad Valorem Tax Exemption for My Home at Columbus. |

- J. Mickens** I. Discuss/Approve hiring Bridge & Watson to provide an annexation and redistricting study to determine viability for the City of Columbus.
- J. Brigham, J. J. J. Discuss/Approve selection of Trash Collection Vendor, with or without trash bins and
Garrett** number of service days per week.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: