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**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
September 19, 2023**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

III. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

- A. Approve Minutes from Meeting of September 5, 2023
- B. Approve Minutes from Special Meeting of September 12 and September 14, 2023

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- J. Daughtry** A. Approve permit request submitted by Dorothy and Wilbur Colom to host an "Outdoor Wedding and Reception" to be held on October 14, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at 800 Second Street South. See attached map.
- J. Daughtry** B. Approve permit request submitted by Kabir Karriem, on behalf of the 7th Avenue Heritage Festival Committee, to host the "7th Avenue Heritage Festival" to be held on October 5 - 7, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. October 5, 2023 until 10:00 p.m. October 7, 2023, blocking the corner of 7th Avenue North and 15th Street North.
- J. Daughtry** C. Approve permit request submitted by Kabir Karriem, on behalf of the 7th Avenue Heritage Festival Committee, to host the "7th Avenue Heritage Festival Parade" to be held on October 7, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. starting at the parking lot of the Columbus Police Department, down Main Street, to 9th Street North, to 7th Avenue North.
- J. Daughtry** D. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow and Salem Gibson, on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc. and Columbus Arts Council, to host a "Downtown Art Walk" to be held on October 14, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on the sidewalks of Main Street and Fifth Street in Downtown Columbus.
- J. Daughtry** E. Approve request for two (2) CPD Officers to attend the "Training for Impaired Driving Enforcement Course" to be held in Oxford, MS, and approve payment for travel, lodging and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1,061.00.
- W. Langford** F. Accept resignation letter from Garage Clerk, effective September 25, 2023, approve compensation of unused vacation leave and authorize the H R Director to begin the normal recruitment process.
- C. Bush** G. Approve request for the Public Works Director and Office Manager to attend "MS 811 Damage Prevention Summit" to be held in Biloxi, MS, November 1-3, 2023, and approve payment for travel, lodging, and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1499.71 for both.

- J. Garrett** H. Approve request to compensate BAM in the amount of \$1,350.00 for grass cutting/landscaping of Sandfield Cemetery.
- J. Garrett** I. Approve request for budgeted \$8,500 Appropriation Request of Columbus Lowndes County Emergency Management.
- R. Bonner** J. Approve request to compensate J & S Construction in the amount of \$1,575 for stone removal from Friendship Cemetery.

V. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

- J. Brigham** A. Approve Docket of Claims for September 19, 2023

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

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

COLUMBUS LOWNDES LIBRARY BOARD

1 Vacancy, 5 Year Term, Christian Heinkel's Term Expires 09/30/2023.
Appointment will be made October 3, 2023.

Christian Heinkel

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

- S. James** A. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket
- K. Wiegel** B. Discuss/Approve recommendation from the Planning Commission meeting held 9/11/23

- D. Duston** C. Discuss/Approve the purchase of a Zero Turn Mower in the amount of \$15,131 using available funds from FAA Airport Rescue Grant 2022.
- C. Bush, P. Mitchell** D. Discuss/Approve promoting one (1) Public Works laborer to crew leader.
- W. Langford, P. Mitchell** E. Discuss/Approve request to fill Small Engines Repairman position, pending successful completion of all preliminary testing.
- J. Daughtry, P. Mitchell** F. Discuss/Approve request to fill vacant Animal Control Officer position, pending successful completion of all preliminary testing.
- J. Daughtry** G. Discuss/Approve Resolution authorizing unmarked police vehicle.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Personnel Matter (1)