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GEORGE IRBY

**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
December 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 December 5, 2023

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- S. James** A. Approve request for the Code Enforcement Director to attend the MACE One Day Training in Meridian, MS and approve registration fee and travel expense in the amount of \$115.92
- D. Hughes** B. Approve request for eight (8) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "MSTAT" to be held in Starkville, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, books, meal expenses and any other expense in the amount of \$210.00.
- D. Hughes** C. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "NFPA 1035 - Public Information Officer" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, books, meal expenses, and any other expenses in the amount of \$275.00.
- D. Hughes** D. Approve request for one (1) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "NFPA 1021 - Fire Officer" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel, books, meal expenses, and any other expenses in the amount of \$1,040.00.
- D. Hughes** E. Approve request for 29 Fire and Rescue personnel for Re-certification and 8 New Fire and Rescue personnel for Certification for National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) in the amount of \$3,037.
- C. Bush** F. Accept resignation from one (1) Public Works Boom Truck Driver, effective December 11, 2023, and authorize the HR Director to begin the normal recruitment process.
- J. Daughtry** G. Approve request for four (4) CPD Officers to attend "Glock Armorer Course" in Tuscaloosa, Alabama and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1,192.00.

V. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

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

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- A. Comments from Mayor & Council

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

GOLDEN TRIANGLE REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

1 Vacancy, 4 Year Term, Roger Burlingame's Term Expires 12/31/2023.
Appointment will be made January 2, 2024.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS OF DEVELOPMENT CODES

1 Vacancy, 5 Year Term, Bryan Brown's Term Expires 01/02/2024.
Appointment will be made January 2, 2024.

Bryan Brown

COLUMBUS HOUSING AUTHORITY

1 Vacancy, 5 Year-Term, Vivian S. Irby Resigned Nov. 29, 2023. Term Expires 7/7/2025.
Appointment will be made Jan 2, 2024.

Glenda Richardson

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

2 Vacancies, 3 Year Terms, Wythe Rhett and Quinn Brislin's Terms Expire 01/20/2024.
Appointments will be made January 16, 2024.

Wythe Rhett

Quinn Brislin

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

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| S. James | A. | Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket |
| K. Wiegel | B. | Discuss/Approve recommendations from the December 11, 2023 Planning Commission meeting. |
| K. Wiegel | C. | Discuss/Approve adoption of the 2020 National Electrical Code <u>along with</u> the 2021 International Codes, as follows: Building, Existing Building, Fire, Fuel Gas, Mechanical, Plumbing, Property Maintenance, and Residential. |

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| G. Lewis | D. | Discuss/Approve awarding flooring contract for Sandfield and Townsend Community Centers to the lowest responsive bidder in the amount of \$31,000. |
| L. Dismukes | E. | Discuss/Approve revision to the job title of Community Outreach Summer Workers to Seasonal Workers. |
| J. Garrett | F. | Discuss/Approve the engineering services of Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for Runway Pavement Rehabilitation for the Columbus Lowndes County Airport. |
| K. Stafford | G. | Discuss/Approve reverting the one-way northbound street section of 16 th Street between 4 th and 5 th Avenue North to a two-way street. |
| S. Baird | H. | Discuss/Approve renewal of Lobbyist Contract with W.T. Consultants, LLC not to exceed \$72,000. |
| P. Mitchell | I. | Discuss/Approve renewal of the City's Property and Liability Insurance for 2024. |
| J. Garrett, J. Brigham | J. | Discuss/Approve the selection of engineering services to complete work related to water, sewer and/or infrastructure projects with funding from the American Rescue Plan Act and State funding. |
| J. Daughtry | K. | Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) Certified Police Officer pending successful completion of all preliminary testing. |
| G. Lewis | L. | Discuss/Approve <i>resolution</i> declaring fencing at Fanon, Red Bird A-C, Shepherd, Dillon, Patterson And Garten Fields as surplus with no value to be disposed. |
| J. Daughtry | M. | Discuss/approve hiring one (1) Forensic Scientist Trainee, contingent upon the successful completion of all preliminary testing. |
| J. Daughtry | N. | Discuss/approve hiring one (1) Forensic Lab Technician, contingent upon the successful completion of all preliminary testing. |

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Personnel Matter (1)
- B. Prospective Litigation (1)