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**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
May 7, 2024**

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION**
- II. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**
- III. APPROVE MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS.**

A. Approve Minutes of April 16, 2024

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- J. Daughtry** A. Approve permit request submitted by Martha Gordon, on behalf of Sandfield Horizon Committee, to host the "8th of May Festival" to be held on May 10 - 11, 2024 from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2024, and from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, 2024, blocking 4th Avenue South at 24th Street South and 25th Street South.
- J. Daughtry** B. Approve request for two (2) CPD Investigators to attend an "Interview and Interrogation Course" to be held in Ellisville, MS and approve payment for lodging, travel and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1,960.00.
- D. Hughes** C. Approve request for two (2) Fire and Rescue personnel to attend "NFPA 1002 - Apparatus Driver Operator" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of registration, hotel, travel, books, meal expenses, and any other expenses in the amount of \$2,225.00.
- J. Daughtry** D. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Dodd to host a "Family Event" to be held on June 29, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. at 607 Sycamore Street blocking Sycamore Street at Rebecca Lane and Hemlock Street.
- J. Daughtry** E. Approve request for one (1) CPD Officer to attend the "Field Training Officer Instructor Course" to be held in Anniston, AL, and approve payment for registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$1,069.00.
- J. Daughtry** F. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow, on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc., to host the "Sounds of Summer" to be held on June 13, 2024, June 27, 2024, and July 11, 2024, from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. each date at the Roger Short Soccer Complex.
- J. Daughtry** G. Approve request for one (1) CPD Officer to attend a "Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course" to be held in DeKalb, MS and approve payment for lodging, travel and meal expenses in the estimated amount of \$709.00.
- J. Brigham** H. Accept letter of Retirement from Accounts Payable Clerk, approve compensation of unused vacation leave and authorize HR Director to begin normal recruitment process.
- G. Lewis** I. Approve request to compensate Turner Excavating & Erosin LLC in the amount of \$12,718.98 for Parks & Recreation Main Office Renovation.
- J. Daughtry** J. Approve permit request submitted by Colin Krieger to host the "Northside Charity Boil" to be held on May 26, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the 500 block of 8th Street North.

V. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS.

J. Brigham A. Approve Docket of Claims for May 7, 2024

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

A. Comments from Mayor & Council

E. Stewart B. Special Recognition of Bryanna Cook

J. Garrett C. Board Vacancies

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

1 Vacancy, remainder of term that expires 12/01/2024, Evelyn Vidrine resigned.
Appointment will be made May 21, 2024.

Emily Johnson

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

S. James A. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket

J. Daughtry B. Discuss/Approve an Agreement between the City of Columbus and Thermo Electron North America, LLC.

C. Bush C. Discuss/Approve request to fill five (5) Laborer positions, pending successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen.

C. Bush D. Discuss/Approve request to fill vacant Truck Driver position, pending successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen.

G. Lewis E. Discuss/Approve request to fill six (6) Summer Worker positions in Parks & Recreation, pending successful completion of a pre-employment medical exam and drug screen.

J. Turnage F. Discuss/Approve Memorandum of Understanding. Resolution and Order approving the purchase, sale and conveyance of certain real property (Leigh Drive and Bluecutt Road); select a relator and the amount of payment for their service.

J. Turnage G. Discuss/Approve amendment to City Ordinance Sec. 20-61 (Discharge of a firearm within city limits) related to same.

R. Bonner H. Discuss/Approve awarding the Interior Renovation contract for the JM Trotter Convention Center to lowest responsive bidder in the amount of \$517,500.

J. Garrett I. Discuss/Approve reimbursable election workers' pay scale for May 14, 2024 Special Bond Election for the Columbus Municipal School District; made payable May 15, 2024.

J. Daughtry J. Discuss/Approve hiring three (3) Certified Police Officers contingent upon successful completion of preliminary testing.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. Personnel (2)