

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS November 7, 2023

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Court Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Mayor Keith Gaskin presided over the meeting and all Council Members were present, except Councilwoman Stewart, who was absent. Also present were the General Counsel, the COO, CFO, Police Chief, HR Director, and all other Department Heads.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION:

Mayor Gaskin called the meeting to order and called on Fire Chief Duane Hughes to offer the Invocation.

II. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Council Member Greene made a motion to adopt the Agenda as prepared. Councilwoman DiCicco seconded the motion.

All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

III. APPROVE MINUTES FOR MEETING OF OCTOBER 17, 2023:

Councilwoman DiCicco made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of October 17, 2023. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approve request for Fire and Rescue personnel, Damon Estes, to attend "Truck Company Operations" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$365.00 for registration, use of city vehicle and \$50.00 for fuel, and reimbursement for meal expenses.

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- B. Approve request for Fire and Rescue personnel, Corey Haynes, to attend NFPA 1031 “Fire Inspector” to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of \$885.00 for registration, use of city vehicle and \$150.00 for fuel, and reimbursement of meal expenses.
- C. Approve request to reimburse Fire and Rescue personnel, Sally Kerstetter, in the amount of \$104.00 for successfully completing the National Registry Exam.
- D. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow, on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc., to host “The Hitching Lot Holiday Cruise IN” to be held on November 18, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., blocking 3rd Street North between 2nd Avenue North and 3rd Avenue North.
- E. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow, on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc., to host the “Christmas Parade” to be held on December 10, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. *See attached map.*
- F. Approve permit request submitted by LaNaise Frison to host the “2nd Annual Burns Bottom Reunion” to be held on September 28, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., blocking 3rd Street North and 2nd Avenue North at Munson and Brothers.
- G. Approve request for CID Property & Evidence Custodian to attend the “Basic Crime Scene Investigations Course” to be held in Columbiana, AL, and approve payment of \$655.00 for registration, \$797.50 for lodging, travel in city vehicle and reimbursement of meal expenses.
- H. Approve request for two (2) CPD Officers: John Compton and Roderick Clark, to attend “Training for Impaired Driving Enforcement Course” to be held in Indianola, MS and approve payment of \$780.00 each for lodging, use of a city vehicle and reimbursement of meal expenses.
- I. Approve request for the Mayor, Council Members, COO, Interim Director of Planning, Court Administrator, and Police Chief to attend the 2024 Mississippi Municipal League Mid-Winter Conference to be held in Jackson, MS, January 10 – 12, 2024 and approve payment of registration, lodging, travel and reimbursement of meal expenses in the estimated cost of \$8,718.65.
- J. Approve permit request submitted by Barbara Bigelow, on behalf of Main Street Columbus, Inc., to host the “Wassail Fest” to be held on December 1, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in Downtown Columbus. *See attached map.*
- K. Approve request for the CID Property & Evidence Custodian, Courtney Malone, to attend the “Crime Scene Professional Development Course” to be held in

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Anniston, AL, and approve payment of travel and reimbursement of meal expenses

- L. Approve permit request submitted by Mayor Keith Gaskin to host the “3rd Annual Turkey Pardon” to be held on November 16, 2023, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., blocking Main Street from 5th Street to 6th Street.
- M. Approve request for a Travel Card for the Mayor, City Council and Administrative staff.
- N. Approve request to compensate Weathers Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$116,809.58 for 15th Street North Drainage Improvements project.
- O. Approve request to compensate S & S Landscaping in the amount of \$6,249.77 for grass cutting along Hwy. 45 and 182.

Council Member Greene made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as prepared. Councilwoman DiCicco seconded the motion. The Mayor called for discussion, and there being none, all Council Members voted in favor of same, with a unanimous vote.

V. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS:

Council Member Greene made a motion to approve the Docket of Claims for November 7, 2023, in the amount of \$950,991.17. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion, except Councilwoman DiCicco, who opposed.

The motion carried 4/1.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- A. Mayor Gaskin asked the Council Members if they had any comments/announcements.

Council Member Jones announced that A Re-Entry Summit will be held Saturday, November 11, 2023 at Sim Scott Community Center at 2:00 p.m.

Council Member Beard requested prayers for Police Sergeant Samuel Jackson.

Parent Engagement Meeting will be held November 9, 2023 at the lower level of the Convention Center.

A question was asked about the American Integration – JAG Grant. Public Information Officer, Joe Dillon, answered the question.

B. Swearing In of one (1) Fire and Rescue Firefighter

- **SALLY KERSTETTER**

Chief Hughes came forward and introduced Firefighter Sally Kerstetter. Mayor Gaskin swore in Firefighter Kerstetter as she recited the Oath of Office. Training Chief, Alan Lewis presented Firefighter Kerstetter with her helmet.

C. Swearing In of three (3) CPD Officers

- **Jarron Jefferson (Certified)**
- **Antionious Sellers**
- **Jacorius Hammond**

Chief Daughtry came forward and introduced new employees in the Police Department. Mayor Gaskin swore in the three (3) new Police Department personnel listed above as they recited the Oath of Office. One (1) of the new officers, Jarron Jefferson is certified. Antionious Sellers was recognized by the Academy for having the highest PT award of 99.33.

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA:

JASON SPEARS – Cook Elementary School Soccer Field

Jason Spears came before the Mayor and Council and remarked that Columbus does not have a Rebound Wall for Soccer and Golden Triangle Soccer League would like to pay for all materials to have a 24' x 12' wall constructed if the City will permit it to be placed on Cook Elementary School Soccer Field. The City will have to call "811" prior to constructing the wall. Council Member Jones made a motion to approve construction of a Rebound Wall for Soccer on Cook Elementary School Soccer Field if the Columbus Municipal School Board approves the request. Council Member Beard seconded the motion. City employees will construct the wall.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

A. Discuss/Approve Derelict Property Docket

FIRST SOUTHERN METHODIST CHURCH

417 Lehmberg Rd.

CASE NUMBER: 23-0561

Overgrown Lot

The General Counsel called cause number **23-0561**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James reported that the property owner requested a 15-Day Extension to remediate the property and she recommended a **15-Day Extension**. The property was in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code. Council Member Greene made a motion give the property owner a **15-day extension** to remediate the property, and that an Order be issued for the property in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and remove rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period. Councilwoman DiCicco seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

OLIVIA ANN NOLAND-WOODRUP

1300 6th Avenue North

CASE NUMBER: 23-0563

Dilapidated Structure

The General Counsel called cause number **23-0563**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James remarked that the owner requested additional time to remediate the property and recommended an extension of **45 Days**. The property was in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code. Council Member Jones made a motion give the property owner a **45-day extension** to remediate the property, and that an Order be issued for the property in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and remove rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

ACES HIGH PROPERTY LLC
904 College Street
CASE NUMBER: 23-0573

Overgrown Lot
Property Maintenance Code Violation

The General Counsel called cause number **23-0573**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James remarked that the owner requested additional time to remediate the property and recommended an extension of **45 Days**. The property was in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code. Council Member Beard made a motion give the property owner a **45-day extension** to remediate the property, and that an Order be issued for the property in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and remove rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

JEREMIAH L. DOUGLAS
186 Pandora Drive
CASE NUMBER 23-0570

Accumulation of Rubbish and Garbage

The General Counsel called cause number **23-0570**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James stated the property was in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code and asked the Mayor and Council to adjudicate the property as such and that an Order be entered to such effect, requested **immediate abatement** and that an Order be issued for the property. Council Member Beard made a motion in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, and for an Order stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

LENTON DISMUKE JR.

10th Street South

CASE NUMBER: 23-0572

Overgrown Lot

The General Counsel called cause number **23-0570**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James stated the property was in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code and asked the Mayor and Council to adjudicate the property as such and that an Order be entered to such effect, requested **immediate abatement** and that an Order be issued for the property. Council Member Beard made a motion in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, and for an Order stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

DALRYMPLE DEV. INC.

Commerce Street

CASE NUMBER: 23-0575

Overgrown Lot

The General Counsel called cause number **23-0570**. No one appeared. Code Enforcement Officer Sasha James stated the property was in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public under Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code and asked the Mayor and Council to adjudicate the property as such and that an Order be entered to such effect, requested **immediate abatement** and that an Order be issued for the property. Council Member Beard made a motion in accordance with Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code, and for an Order stating the City may remove dilapidated buildings or dilapidated fences up to six (6) more times in the twelve (12) month period immediately following the Order and cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris no more than twelve (12) times in a twenty-four (24) month period. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

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The motion carried 5/0.

\$250.00 OR LESS CASES:

Code Enforcement Officer presented eight (8) cases, \$250.00 or less for adjudication. Council Member Greene made a motion to accept the notices for clean-up of properties \$250.00 and less to be adjudicated according to statute. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

THE LIST OF PROPERTIES FOLLOWS:

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\$250 OR LESS Derelict Properties for November 7, 2023 Mayor and City Council Meeting

Case # and Violation	Ward	Name and Address	Notes
23-0577 <i>Overgrown Lot</i>	1	Eloise Smith / Emma Rush 1605 Bell Avenue	
23-0578 <i>Accumulation of Rubbish & Garbage</i>	1	Gregory Houston / Doris Houston 410 17 th Street South	
23-0579 <i>Overgrown Lot</i>	1	Currie Fisher / Johnny Fisher 2400 College Street	
23-0584 <i>Accumulation of Rubbish & Garbage</i>	1	Damian Wells 818 9 th Avenue South	
23-0590 <i>Accumulation of Rubbish & Garbage</i>	2	Kwanza Milow 308 Cecil Street	
23-0580 <i>Accumulation of Rubbish & Garbage</i>	5	Willie Pete Perkins 512 11 th Street North	
23-0592 <i>Accumulation of Rubbish & Garbage</i>	5	Albert Lee Hayden Jr. 914 13 th Street North	
23-0581 <i>Accumulation of Rubbish & Garbage</i>	6	Mary Wells 2606 McArthur Drive	

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RUSH/SMITH ELOISE B/EMMA F
1605 BELL AVE
COLUMBUS, MS 39701

NUISANCE PROPERTY NOTICE TO OWNER - PURSUANT TO
SECTION 21-19-11(2) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE (Effective 7/1/2023)

RE: 1605 BELL AVE
APN: 61W11-02-14100
Case No: CE-23-0577
Officer: Sasha James - Ward: 1

Date: October 9, 2023

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus (the "Governing Authority"), having a population over one thousand five hundred (1500), has authorized the City of Columbus Code Enforcement Director and/or her assistant to determine whether the property or parcel of land is in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community when the fee or cost to clean property or a parcel of land that is one (1) acre or less does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), excluding administrative costs.

The particular condition(s) as determined by the authorized municipal employee existing as of the date of this notice is/are one or more of the following:

- [X] The presence of overgrowth of weeds, grass or other vegetation
The presence of rubbish/garbage and other debris
The presence of abandoned building
The presence of abandoned or dilapidated fence(s)
The presence of burned structure
The presence of dilapidated building(s), slabs or personal property
The presence of property maintenance code violation
The presence of standing water in cesspools
The presence of cistern(s), standing water and cesspools

You are hereby advised that by this correspondence a determination has been made that the condition of property or parcel of land as described is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and as such the governing authority of the City of Columbus, if the owner does not do so himself, on or before the 16th day of October, 2023, shall proceed to clean the land, by the use of municipal employees or by contract, by cutting grass and weeds, filling cisterns, removing rubbish, abandoned or dilapidated fences, outside toilets, abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, personal property, which removal of personal property shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 21-39-21, and other debris, and draining cesspools and standing water therefrom.

YOU ARE ADVISED THAT A FINDING BY THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL THAT THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS IN NEED OF CLEANING WILL AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPALITY TO REENTER THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL'S DETERMINATION WITHOUT ANY FURTHER HEARING OR ACTION IF NOTICE IS POSTED ON THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND AND AT CITY HALL OR ANOTHER PLACE IN THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE SUCH NOTICES ARE GENERALLY POSTED AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS REENTERED FOR CLEANING. A COPY OF THE REQUIRED NOTICE MAILED AND POSTED AS REQUIRED BY MCA SECTION 21-19-11(2) (a)&(b) SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HEARING REQUIRED BY SAID SECTION.

This Notice was posted at the City Building Inspection Office on: October 9, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was mailed via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to each address identified above on: October 9, 2023

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Thereafter, the governing authority shall by resolution adjudicate the actual cost of cleaning the property under this provision, provided the same does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may also impose a penalty not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of the actual cost of cleaning the property, whichever is more.

The cost and any penalty imposed may become a civil debt against the property owner, and/or, at the option of the governing authority, an assessment against the property. The "cost assessed against the property" means either the cost to the municipality of using its own employees to do the work or the cost to the municipality of any contract executed by the municipality to have the work done, and additionally may include administrative costs of the municipality not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). For subsequent cleaning within the one-year period, upon seven (7) days' notice posted both on the property or parcel of land adjudicated in need of cleaning and at city hall or another place in the municipality where such notices are generally posted, and consistent with the municipal official's determination as authorized, a municipality may reenter the property or parcel of land to maintain cleanliness without further notice or hearing no more than six (6) times in any twelve-month period with respect to removing abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, dilapidated fences and outside toilets, and no more than twelve (12) times in any twenty-four-month period with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris on the land, and the expense of cleaning of the property shall not exceed an aggregate amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year. The governing authority may assess the same actual costs, administrative costs, and penalty for each time the property or land is cleaned as otherwise provided. The penalty provided herein shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi upon request for reimbursement under Section 29-1-145, nor shall a municipality clean a parcel owned by the State of Mississippi without first giving notice. Upon written authority from the Secretary of State's office, for state-owned properties, a municipality may forgo the notification process that is prescribed in this subsection and proceed to clean the properties and assess costs as prescribed in this subsection, except that, penalties shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi. A determination made by an appropriate municipal employee under this subsection (2) that the state or condition of property or a parcel of land is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community shall not subsequently be used to replace a hearing if Section 21-19-11(1) is later utilized by a municipality when the prerequisites of Section 21-19-11(2) are not satisfied.

An appeal of this decision may be made to the Governing Authority of the City of Columbus and such appeal shall be in writing, state the basis for the appeal and be filed with the city clerk no later than seven (7) days from the latest date of notice required under MCA 21-19-11(2).

For any questions, please call Sasha James, the Code Enforcement Director for the City of Columbus at 662-245-5063 or 662-245-5070.

This the 9th day of October, 2023.
Sasha James,
City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

A copy of this notice shall be recorded in the minutes of the governing authority in conjunction with MCA Section 21-19-11 (2).

At least seven (7) days before the date of cleaning, this notice is required to be posted on the property or parcel of land identified herein AND at city hall or such other place in the municipality where such notices are posted AND is required to be mailed, via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the address of the property or parcel of land identified herein except where the land or structure(s) is apparently vacant, AND to the address where the ad valorem tax notice for the property or parcel of land identified herein is sent by the office charged with collecting ad valorem taxes for the subject property or parcel of land identified herein.

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By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

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HOUSTON GREGORY/DORIS L.
868 HOBBS SHEPHERD RD
COLUMBUS, MS 39702

NUISANCE PROPERTY NOTICE TO OWNER - PURSUANT TO
SECTION 21-19-1(2) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE (Effective 7/1/2022)

RE: 410 17TH ST S
APN: 61W1-102-10600
Case No: CE-23-0578
Officer: Sasha James - Ward: 1

Date: October 9, 2023

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- ☐ The presence of property maintenance code violation
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- ☐ The presence of cistern(s), standing water and cesspools

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FISHER CURRIE BJOJINNY W
522 5TH ST S
COLUMBUS, MS 39701

NUISANCE PROPERTY NOTICE TO OWNER - PURSUANT TO
SECTION 21-19-11(2) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE (Effective 7/1/2023)

RE: 2400 COLLEGE ST
APN: 61W12-00-06300
Case No: CE-23-0579
Officer: Sasha James - Ward: 1

Date: October 9, 2023

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You are hereby advised that by this correspondence a determination has been made that the condition of property or parcel of land as described is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and as such the governing authority of the City of Columbus, if the owner does not do so himself, on or before the 16th day of October, 2023, shall proceed to clean the land, by the use of municipal employees or by contract, by cutting grass and weeds, filling cisterns, removing rubbish, abandoned or dilapidated fences, outside toilets, abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, personal property, which removal of personal property shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 21-39-21, and other debris, and draining cesspools and standing water therefrom.

YOU ARE ADVISED THAT A FINDING BY THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL THAT THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS IN NEED OF CLEANING WILL AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPALITY TO REENTER THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL'S DETERMINATION WITHOUT ANY FURTHER HEARING OR ACTION IF NOTICE IS POSTED ON THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND AND AT CITY HALL OR ANOTHER PLACE IN THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE SUCH NOTICES ARE GENERALLY POSTED AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS REENTERED FOR CLEANING. A COPY OF THE REQUIRED NOTICE MAILED AND POSTED AS REQUIRED BY MCA SECTION 21-19-11(2) (a)&(b) SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HEARING REQUIRED BY SAID SECTION.

Thereafter, the governing authority shall by resolution adjudicate the actual cost of cleaning the property under this provision, provided the same does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may also impose a penalty not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of the actual cost of cleaning the property, whichever is more.

The cost and any penalty imposed may become a civil debt against the property owner, and/or, at the option of the governing authority, an assessment against the property. The "cost assessed against the property" means either the cost to the municipality of using its own employees to do the work or the cost to the municipality of any contract executed by the municipality to have the work done, and additionally may include administrative costs of the municipality not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). For subsequent cleaning within the one-year period, upon seven (7) days' notice posted both on the property or parcel of land adjudicated in need of cleaning and at city hall or another place in the municipality where such notices are generally posted, and consistent with the municipal official's determination as authorized, a municipality may reenter the property or parcel of land to maintain cleanliness without further notice or hearing no more than six (6) times in any twelve-month period with respect to removing abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, dilapidated fences and outside toilets, and no more than twelve (12) times in any twenty-four-month period with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris on the land, and the expense of cleaning of the property shall not exceed an aggregate amount of One Thousand Dollars and the expense of cleaning of the property shall not exceed the same actual costs, administrative costs, and (\$1,000.00) per year. The governing authority may assess the same actual costs, administrative costs, and penalty for each time the property or land is cleaned as otherwise provided. The penalty provided herein shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi upon request for reimbursement under Section 29-1-145, nor shall a municipality clean a parcel owned by the State of Mississippi without first giving notice. Upon written notification process that is prescribed in this subsection and proceed to clean the property and assess costs as prescribed in this subsection, except that, penalties shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi. A determination made by an appropriate municipal employee under this subsection (2) that the state or condition of property or a parcel of land is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community shall not subsequently be used to replace a hearing if Section 21-19-11(1) is later utilized by a municipality when the prerequisites of Section 21-19-11(2) are not satisfied.

An appeal of this decision may be made to the Governing Authority of the City of Columbus and such appeal shall be in writing, state the basis for the appeal and be filed with the city clerk no later than seven (7) days from the latest date of notice required under MCA 21-19-11(2).

For any questions, please call Sasha James, the Code Enforcement Director for the City of Columbus at 662-245-5063 or 662-245-5070.

This the 9th day of October, 2023

Sasha James,
City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

A copy of this notice shall be recorded in the minutes of the governing authority in conjunction with MCA Section 21-19-11(2).

At least seven (7) days before the date of cleaning, this notice is required to be posted on the property or parcel of land identified herein AND at city hall or such other place in the municipality where such notices are posted AND is required to be mailed, via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the address of the property or parcel of land identified herein except where the land or structure(s) is apparently vacant, AND to the address where the ad valorem tax notice for the property or parcel of land identified herein is sent by the office charged with collecting ad valorem taxes for the subject property or parcel of land identified herein.

This Notice was posted on the subject property on: October 9, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was posted at the City Building Inspection Office on: October 9, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was mailed via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to each address identified above on: October 9, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

MINUTES OF THE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 7, 2023



WALLS DAMIAN
825 8TH ST S
COLUMBUS, MS 39701

NUISANCE PROPERTY NOTICE TO OWNER - PURSUANT TO
SECTION 21-19-1(2) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE (EFFECTIVE 7/1/2022)

RE: 818 9TH AVE S (818-824)
APN: 61W15-00-06300
Case No: CE-23-0584
Officer: Sasha James - Ward: 1

Date: October 16, 2023

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus (the "Governing Authority"), having a population over one thousand five hundred (1500), has authorized the City of Columbus Code Enforcement Director and/or her assistant to determine whether the property or parcel of land is in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community when the fee or cost to clean property or a parcel of land that is one (1) acre or less does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), excluding administrative costs.

The particular condition(s) as determined by the authorized municipal employee existing as of the date of this notice is/are one or more of the following:

- ☒ The presence of overgrowth of weeds, grass or other vegetation
- ☐ The presence of rubbish/garbage and other debris
- ☐ The presence of abandoned building
- ☐ The presence of abandoned or dilapidated fence(s)
- ☐ The presence of burned structure
- ☐ The presence of dilapidated building(s), slabs or personal property
- ☐ The presence of property maintenance code violation
- ☐ The presence of standing water in cesspools
- ☐ The presence of cistern(s), standing water and cesspools

You are hereby advised that by this correspondence a determination has been made that the condition of property or parcel of land as described is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and as such the governing authority of the City of Columbus, if the owner does not do so himself, on or before the 13th day of October, 2023, shall proceed to clean the land, by the use of municipal employees or by contract, by cutting grass and weeds, filling cisterns, removing rubbish, abandoned or dilapidated fences, outside toilets, abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, personal property, which removal of personal property shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 21-39-21, and other debris; and draining cesspools and standing water therefrom.

YOU ARE ADVISED THAT A FINDING BY THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL THAT THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS IN NEED OF CLEANING WILL AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPALITY TO REENTER THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL'S DETERMINATION WITHOUT ANY FURTHER HEARING OR ACTION IF NOTICE IS POSTED ON THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND AND AT CITY HALL OR ANOTHER PLACE IN THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE SUCH NOTICES ARE GENERALLY POSTED AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS REENTERED FOR CLEANING. A COPY OF THE REQUIRED NOTICE MAILED AND POSTED AS REQUIRED BY MCA SECTION 21-19-1(2) (a)&(b) SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HEARING REQUIRED BY SAID SECTION.

Thereafter, the governing authority shall by resolution adjudicate the actual cost of cleaning the property under this provision, provided the same does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may also impose a penalty not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of the actual cost of cleaning the property, whichever is more.

The cost and any penalty imposed may become a civil debt against the property owner, and/or, at the option of the governing authority, an assessment against the property. The "cost assessed against the property" means either the cost to the municipality of using its own employees to do the work or the cost to the municipality of any contract executed by the municipality to have the work done, and additionally may include administrative costs of the municipality not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). For subsequent cleaning within the one-year period, upon seven (7) days' notice posted both on the property or parcel of land adjudicated in need of cleaning and at city hall or another place in the municipality where such notices are generally posted, and consistent with the municipal official's determination as authorized, a municipality may reenter the property or parcel of land to maintain cleanliness without further notice or hearing no more than six (6) times in any twelve-month period with respect to removing abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, with respect to cutting grass and weeds, and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris on the land, and the expense of cleaning of the property shall not exceed an aggregate amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year. The governing authority may assess the same actual costs, administrative costs, and penalty for each time the property or land is cleaned as otherwise provided. The penalty provided herein shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi upon request for reimbursement under Section 29-1-145, nor shall a municipality clean a parcel owned by the State of Mississippi without first giving notice. Upon written notification process that is prescribed in this subsection and proceed to clean the properties and assess costs as prescribed in this subsection, except that, penalties shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi. A determination made by an appropriate municipal employee under this subsection (2) that the state or condition of property or a parcel of land is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community shall not subsequently be used to replace a hearing if Section 21-19-1(1) is later utilized by a municipality when the prerequisites of Section 21-19-1(2) are not satisfied.

An appeal of this decision may be made to the Governing Authority of the City of Columbus and such appeal shall be in writing, state the basis for the appeal and be filed with the city clerk no later than seven (7) days from the latest date of notice required under MCA 21-19-1(2).

For any questions, please call Sasha James, the Code Enforcement Director for the City of Columbus at 662-245-5063 or 662-245-5070.

This the 16th day of October, 2023.

Sasha James,
City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

A copy of this notice shall be recorded in the minutes of the governing authority in conjunction with MCA Section 21-19-11 (2).

At least seven (7) days before the date of cleaning, this notice is required to be posted on the property or parcel of land identified herein AND at city hall or such other place in the municipality where such notices are posted AND is required to be mailed, via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the address of the property or parcel of land identified herein except where the land or structure(s) is apparently vacant, AND to the address where the ad valorem tax notice for the property or parcel of land identified herein is sent by the office charged with collecting ad valorem taxes for the subject property or parcel of land identified herein.

This Notice was posted on the subject property on: October 16, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was posted at the City Building Inspection Office on: October 16, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was mailed via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to each address identified above on: October 16, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 7, 2023



MILOW KWANZA I.
308 CECIL ST
COLUMBUS, MS 39702

NUISANCE PROPERTY NOTICE TO OWNER - PURSUANT TO SECTION 21-19-1(2) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE (Effective 7/1/2022)

RE: 308 CECIL ST
APN: 62W15-01-03300
Case No: CE-23-0590
Officer: Sasha James - Ward: 2

Date: October 18, 2023

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus (the "Governing Authority"), having a population over one thousand five hundred (1500), has authorized the City of Columbus Code Enforcement Director and/or her assistant to determine whether the property or parcel of land is in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community when the fee or cost to clean property or a parcel of land that is one (1) acre or less does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), excluding administrative costs.

The particular condition(s) as determined by the authorized municipal employee existing as of the date of this notice is/are one or more of the following:

- ☐ The presence of overgrowth of weeds, grass or other vegetation
- ☒ The presence of rubbish/garbage and other debris
- ☐ The presence of abandoned building
- ☐ The presence of abandoned or dilapidated fence(s)
- ☐ The presence of burned structure
- ☐ The presence of dilapidated building(s), slabs or personal property
- ☐ The presence of property maintenance code violation
- ☐ The presence of standing water in cesspools
- ☐ The presence of cistern(s), standing water and cesspools

You are hereby advised that by this correspondence a determination has been made that the condition of property or parcel of land as described is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and as such the governing authority of the City of Columbus, if the owner does not do so himself, on or before the 25th day of October, 2023, shall proceed to clean the land, by the use of municipal employees, or by contract, by cutting grass and weeds, filling cisterns, removing rubbish, abandoned or dilapidated fences, outside toilets, abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, personal property, which removal of personal property shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 21-19-21, and other debris, and draining cesspools and standing water therefrom.

Code Section:	Corrective Action:	Compliance Date:
307.1 - Accumulation of Rubbish and Garbage	Remove all trash and debris from the property. All equipment, appliance, and/or material must be stored away from public view and/or stored in an enclosed structure. Generally, any equipment, materials or furnishings that would ordinarily not be used outdoors may not be stored outdoors.	October 25, 2023

At least seven (7) days before the date of cleaning, this notice is required to be posted on the property or parcel of land identified herein AND at city hall or such other place in the municipality where such notices are posted AND is required to be mailed, via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the address of the property or parcel of land identified herein except where the land or structure(s) is apparently vacant, AND to the address where the ad valorem tax notice for the property or parcel of land identified herein is sent by the office charged with collecting ad valorem taxes for the subject property or parcel of land identified herein.

This Notice was posted on the subject property on: October 18, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was posted at the City Building Inspection Office on: October 18, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was mailed via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to each address identified above on: October 18, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

YOU ARE ADVISED THAT A FINDING BY THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL THAT THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS IN NEED OF CLEANING WILL AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPALITY TO REENTER THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL'S DETERMINATION WITHOUT ANY FURTHER HEARING OR ACTION IF NOTICE IS POSTED ON THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND AND AT CITY HALL OR ANOTHER PLACE IN THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE SUCH NOTICES ARE GENERALLY POSTED AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS REENTERED FOR CLEANING. A COPY OF THE REQUIRED NOTICE MAILED AND POSTED AS REQUIRED BY MCA SECTION 21-19-1(2) (a&b) SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HEARING REQUIRED BY SAID SECTION.

Thereafter, the governing authority shall by resolution adjudicate the actual cost of cleaning the property under this provision, provided the same does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may also impose a penalty not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of the actual cost of cleaning the property, whichever is more.

The cost and any penalty imposed may become a civil debt against the property owner, and/or, at the option of the governing authority, an assessment against the property. The "cost assessed against the property" means either the cost to the municipality of using its own employees to do the work or the cost to the municipality of any contract executed by the municipality to have the work done, and additionally may include administrative costs of the municipality not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). For subsequent cleaning within the one-year period, upon seven (7) days' notice posted both on the property or parcel of land adjudicated in need of cleaning and at city hall or another place in the municipality where such notices are generally posted, and consistent with the municipal official's determination as authorized, a municipality may reenter the property or parcel of land to maintain cleanliness without further notice or hearing no more than six (6) times in any twelve-month period with respect to removing abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, dilapidated fences and outside toilets, and no more than twelve (12) times in any twenty-four-month period with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris on the land, and the expense of cleaning of the property shall not exceed an aggregate amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year. The governing authority may assess the same actual costs, administrative costs, and penalty for each time the property or land is cleaned as otherwise provided. The penalty provided herein shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi upon request for reimbursement under Section 29-1-145, nor shall a municipality clean a parcel owned by the State of Mississippi without first giving notice. Upon written authority from the Secretary of State's office, for state-owned properties, a municipality may forego the notification process that is prescribed in this subsection and proceed to clean the properties and assess costs as prescribed in this subsection, except that, penalties shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi. A determination made by an appropriate municipal employee under this subsection (2) that the state or shall not subsequently be used to replace a hearing if Section 21-19-1(1) is later utilized by a municipality when the prerequisites of Section 21-19-1(2) are not satisfied.

An appeal of this decision may be made to the Governing Authority of the City of Columbus and such appeal shall be in writing, state the basis for the appeal and be filed with the city clerk no later than seven (7) days from the latest date of notice required under MCA 21-19-1(2).

For any questions, please call Sasha James, the Code Enforcement Director for the City of Columbus at 662-245-5063 or 662-245-5070.

This the 18th day of October, 2023,
Sasha James,
City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

A copy of this notice shall be recorded in the minutes of the governing authority in conjunction with MCA Section 21-19-1(2)

MINUTES OF THE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 7, 2023



PERKINS WILLIE PETE
545 ELM DR
COLUMBUS, MS 39701

NUISANCE PROPERTY NOTICE TO OWNER - PURSUANT TO
SECTION 21-19-11(2) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE (Effective 7/1/2022)

RE: 512 11TH ST N
APN: 61W07-03-10500
Case No: CE-23-0580
Officer: Sasha James - Ward: 5

Date: October 9, 2023

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus (the "Governing Authority"), having a population over one thousand five hundred (1500), has authorized the City of Columbus Code Enforcement Director and/or her assistant to determine whether the property or parcel of land is in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community when the fee or cost to clean property or a parcel of land that is one (1) acre or less does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), excluding administrative costs.

The particular condition(s) as determined by the authorized municipal employee existing as of the date of this notice is/are one or more of the following:

- ☐ The presence of overgrowth of weeds, grass or other vegetation
- ☒ The presence of rubbish/garbage and other debris
- ☐ The presence of abandoned building
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- ☐ The presence of burned structure
- ☐ The presence of dilapidated building(s), slabs or personal property
- ☐ The presence of property maintenance code violation
- ☐ The presence of standing water in cesspools
- ☐ The presence of cistern(s), standing water and cesspools

You are hereby advised that by this correspondence a determination has been made that the condition of property or parcel of land as described is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and as such the governing authority of the City of Columbus, if the owner does not do so himself, on or before the 16th day of October, 2023, shall proceed to clean the land, by the use of municipal employees or by contract, by cutting grass and weeds, filling cisterns, removing rubbish, abandoned or dilapidated fences, outside toilets, abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, personal property, which removal of personal property shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 21-39-21, and other debris; and draining cesspools and standing water therefrom.

Code Section:	Corrective Action:	Compliance Date:
107.1 - Accumulation of Rubbish and Garbage	Remove all trash and debris from the property. All equipment, appliance, and/or material must be stored away from public view and/or stored in an enclosed structure. Generally, any equipment, materials or furnishings that would ordinarily not be used outdoors may not be stored outdoors.	October 16, 2023

YOU ARE ADVISED THAT A FINDING BY THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL THAT THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS IN NEED OF CLEANING WILL AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPALITY TO REENTER THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL'S DETERMINATION WITHOUT ANY FURTHER HEARING OR ACTION IF NOTICE IS POSTED ON THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND AND AT CITY HALL OR ANOTHER PLACE IN THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE SUCH NOTICES ARE GENERALLY POSTED AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS REENTERED FOR CLEANING. A COPY OF THE REQUIRED NOTICE MAILED AND POSTED AS REQUIRED BY MCA SECTION 21-19-11(2) (a)&(b) SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HEARING REQUIRED BY SAID SECTION.

Thereafter, the governing authority shall by resolution adjudicate the actual cost of cleaning the property under this provision, provided the same does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may also impose a penalty not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of the actual cost of cleaning the property, whichever is more.

The cost and any penalty imposed may become a civil debt against the property owner, and/or, at the option of the governing authority, an assessment against the property. The "cost assessed against the property" means either the cost to the municipality of using its own employees to do the work or the cost to the municipality of any contract executed by the municipality to have the work done, and additionally may include administrative costs of the municipality not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). For subsequent cleaning within the one-year period, upon seven (7) days' notice posted both on the property or parcel of land adjudicated in need of cleaning and at city hall or another place in the municipality where such notices are generally posted, and consistent with the municipal official's determination as authorized, a municipality may reenter the property or parcel of land to maintain cleanliness without further notice or hearing no more than six (6) times in any twelve-month period with respect to removing abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, dilapidated fences and outside toilets, and no more than twelve (12) times in any twenty-four-month period with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris on the land, and the expense of cleaning of the property shall not exceed an aggregate amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year. The governing authority may assess the same actual costs, administrative costs, and penalty for each time the property or land is cleaned as otherwise provided. The penalty provided herein shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi upon request for reimbursement under Section 29-1-145, nor shall a municipality clean a parcel owned by the State of Mississippi without first giving notice. Upon written authority from the Secretary of State's office, for state-owned properties, a municipality may forgo the notification process that is prescribed in this subsection and proceed to clean the properties and assess costs determination made by an appropriate municipal employee under this subsection (2) that the state or condition of property or a parcel of land is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community shall not subsequently be used to replace a hearing if Section 21-19-11(1) is later utilized by a municipality when the prerequisites of Section 21-19-11(2) are not satisfied.

An appeal of this decision may be made to the Governing Authority of the City of Columbus and such appeal shall be in writing, state the basis for the appeal and be filed with the city clerk no later than seven (7) days from the latest date of notice required under MCA 21-19-11(2).

For any questions, please call Sasha James, the Code Enforcement Director for the City of Columbus at 662-245-5063 or 662-245-5070.

This 9th day of October, 2023.

Sasha James,
City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

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At least seven (7) days before the date of cleaning, this notice is required to be posted on the property or parcel of land identified herein AND at city hall or such other place in the municipality where such notices are posted AND is required to be mailed, via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the address of the property or parcel of land identified herein except where the land or structure(s) is apparently vacant, AND to the address where the ad valorem tax notice for the property or parcel of land identified herein is sent by the office charged with collecting ad valorem taxes for the subject property or parcel of land identified herein.

This Notice was posted on the subject property on: October 9, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was posted at the City Building Inspection Office on: October 9, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was mailed via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to each address identified above on: October 9, 2023

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

MINUTES OF THE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 7, 2023



HAYDEN JR. ALBERT LEE
970 N FRENCH RD
AMHERST, NY 14228

NUISANCE PROPERTY NOTICE TO OWNER - PURSUANT TO
SECTION 21-19-1(12) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE (Effective 7/1/2022)

RE: 914 13TH ST N
APN: 61W07-01-10500
Case No: CE-23-0592
Officer: Sasha James - Ward: 5

Date: October 24, 2023

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus (the "Governing Authority"), having a population over one thousand five hundred (1500), has authorized the City of Columbus Code Enforcement Director and/or her assistant to determine whether the property or parcel of land is in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community when the fee or cost to clean property or a parcel of land that is one (1) acre or less does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), excluding administrative costs.

The particular condition(s) as determined by the authorized municipal employee existing as of the date of this notice is/are one or more of the following:

- ☒ The presence of overgrowth of weeds, grass or other vegetation
- ☒ The presence of rubbish/garbage and other debris
- ☒ The presence of abandoned building
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- ☒ The presence of property maintenance code violation
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- ☒ The presence of cistern(s), standing water and cesspools

You are hereby advised that by this correspondence a determination has been made that the condition of property or parcel of land as described is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and as such the governing authority of the City of Columbus, if the owner does not do so himself, on or before the 31st day of October, 2023, shall proceed to clean the land, by the use of municipal employees or by contract, by cutting grass and weeds, filling cisterns, removing rubbish, abandoned or dilapidated fences, outside toilets, abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, personal property, which removal of personal property shall not be subject to the provisions of Section 21-19-21, and other debris; and draining cesspools and standing water therefrom.

Code Section:	Corrective Action:	Compliance Date:
307.1 - Accumulation of Rubbish and Garbage	Remove all trash and debris from the property. All equipment, appliance, and/or material must be stored away from public view and/or stored in an enclosed structure. Generally, any equipment, materials or furnishings that would ordinarily not be used outdoors may not be stored outdoors.	October 31, 2023

YOU ARE ADVISED THAT A FINDING BY THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL THAT THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS IN NEED OF CLEANING WILL AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPALITY TO REENTER THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL'S DETERMINATION WITHOUT ANY FURTHER HEARING OR ACTION IF NOTICE IS POSTED ON THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND AND AT CITY HALL OR ANOTHER PLACE IN THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE SUCH NOTICES ARE GENERALLY POSTED AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE PROPERTY OR PARCEL OF LAND IS REENTERED FOR CLEANING. A COPY OF THE REQUIRED NOTICE MAILED AND POSTED AS REQUIRED BY MCA SECTION 21-19-1(12) (a)&(b) SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HEARING REQUIRED BY SAID SECTION.

Thereafter, the governing authority shall by resolution adjudicate the actual cost of cleaning the property under this provision, provided the same does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may also impose a penalty not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of the actual cost of cleaning the property, whichever is more.

The cost and any penalty imposed may become a civil debt against the property owner, and/or, at the option of the governing authority, an assessment against the property. The "cost assessed against the property" means either the cost to the municipality of using its own employees to do the work or the cost to the municipality of any contract executed by the municipality to have the work done, and additionally may include administrative costs of the municipality not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). For subsequent cleaning within the one-year period, upon seven (7) days' notice posted both on the property or parcel of land adjudicated in need of cleaning and at city hall or another place in the municipality where such notices are generally posted, and consistent with the municipal official's determination as authorized, a municipality may reenter the property or parcel of land to maintain cleanliness without further notice or hearing no more than six (6) times in any twelve-month period with respect to removing abandoned or dilapidated buildings, slabs, dilapidated fences and outside toilets, and no more than twelve (12) times in any twenty-four-month period with respect to cutting grass and weeds and removing rubbish, personal property and other debris on the land, and the expense of cleaning of the property shall not exceed an aggregate amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year. The governing authority may assess the same actual costs, administrative costs, and penalty for each time the property or land is cleaned as otherwise provided. The penalty provided herein shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi upon request for reimbursement under Section 29-1-145, nor shall a municipality clean a parcel owned by the State of Mississippi without first giving notice. Upon written authority from the Secretary of State's office, for state-owned properties, a municipality may forego the notification process that is prescribed in this subsection and proceed to clean the properties and assess costs as prescribed in this subsection, except that, penalties shall not be assessed against the State of Mississippi. A determination made by an appropriate municipal employee under this subsection (2) that the state or determination of property or a parcel of land is a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community shall not subsequently be used to replace a hearing if Section 21-19-1(1) is later utilized by a municipality when the prerequisites of Section 21-19-1(2) are not satisfied.

An appeal of this decision may be made to the Governing Authority of the City of Columbus and such appeal shall be in writing, state the basis for the appeal and be filed with the city clerk no later than seven (7) days from the latest date of notice required under MCA 21-19-1(2).

For any questions, please call Sasha James, the Code Enforcement Director for the City of Columbus at 662-245-5063 or 662-245-5070.

This 24th day of October, 2023.

Sasha James,
City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

A copy of this notice shall be recorded in the minutes of the governing authority in conjunction with MCA Section 21-19-1(2).

At least seven (7) days before the date of cleaning, this notice is required to be posted on the property or parcel of land identified herein AND at city hall or such other place in the municipality where such notices are posted AND is required to be mailed, via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to the address of the property or parcel of land identified herein except where the land or structure(s) is apparently vacant, AND to the address where the ad valorem tax notice for the property or parcel of land identified herein is sent by the office charged with collecting ad valorem taxes for the subject property or parcel of land identified herein.

This Notice was posted on the subject property on: October 24, 2023.

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was posted at the City Building Inspection Office on: October 24, 2023.

By: Sasha James, City of Columbus Director of Code Enforcement

This Notice was mailed via United States Mail, postage prepaid, to each address identified above on: October 24, 2023.

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B. Discuss/Approve acceptance of MDOT Matching Grant Agreement in the amount of \$8,334.00 for the Columbus-Lowndes County Airport Taxiway Pavement project.

Council Member Beard made a motion to approve the acceptance of MDOT Matching Grant Agreement in the amount of \$8,334.00 for the CLCA Taxiway Pavement project. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

(SIGNED DOCUMENTS WILL BE ADDED).

C. Discuss/Approve Lower Trotter ADA Ramp/Streetscape Improvements Change Order in the amount of \$8,275.00.

Council Member Beard made a motion to approve the Change Order in the amount of \$8,275.00 for the Trotter ADA Ramp/Streetscape Improvements at the Lower Level. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

CHANGE ORDER FOLLOWS:

MINUTES OF THE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 7, 2023

CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER

OWNER: CITY OF COLUMBUS

CONTRACTOR: Weathers Construction, Inc.

DATE: November 7, 2023

CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 PROJECT NO.: 2409.023.016.01

PROJECT NAME: Lower Trotter Administrative Office ADA Ramp and Site Improvements

REASON FOR CHANGE: Additional Concrete for Sidewalk Structure Thickness, Additional Header Curb, Curb/Gutter, and Drainage Structure Rehabilitation

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUESTED TO COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES FROM THE CONTRACT PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: (USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF REQUIRED)

ITEM NO.	PAY ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT	ORIGINAL QUANTITY	REVISED QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT
1	Additional Concrete for Sidewalk Structure Thickness	LS	0	1	\$3,980.00	\$3,980.00
2	2 nd Avenue @ 4 th Street North Corner Improvements (Header Curb, Curb and Gutter, Inlet Structure Rehabilitation)	LS	0	1	\$4,295.00	\$4,295.00
NET INCREASE THIS CHANGE ORDER						\$8,275.00
ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT						\$203,700.00
CURRENT CONTRACT AMOUNT						\$203,700.00
INCREASE PER CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1						\$8,275.00
REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT						\$211,975.00
CURRENT CONTRACT COMPLETION DATE						February 20, 2024
TIME EXTENSION REQUIRED BY CHANGE (Calendar Days)						0

THIS DOCUMENT SHALL BE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT AND ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT WILL APPLY.

RECOMMENDED BY:  11/7/23
ENGINEER DATE
ACCEPTED BY:  11.7.2023
CONTRACTOR DATE
APPROVED BY:  11/7/23
OWNER DATE

D. Discuss/Approve promotion of one (1) Columbus Fire and Rescue personnel, Sally Kerstetter, from probation Firefighter to Certified Firefighter, effective November 13, 2023.

Council Member Beard made a motion to approve the promotion of Columbus Fire and Rescue personnel, Sally Kerstetter, from probation Firefighter to Certified Firefighter, effective November 13, 2023. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

E. Discuss/Approve request to rehire a retired Maintenance Technician on a part-time basis, pending successful completion of preliminary testing.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the request to rehire retired Maintenance Technician, Larry Jamison, on a part-time basis, pending successful completion of preliminary testing. Council Member Beard seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

F. Discuss/Approve request to hire three (3) Certified Officers for the positions of Lieutenant, Captain and Investigator, and six (6) entry-level officers, contingent on successful completion of all preliminary testing.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the request to hire three (3) certified Officers: Kevin Burdine at Lieutenant, Kennedy Meadows as Captain, and Brandon Chaille as Investigator, and six (6) entry-level officers, contingent on successful completion of all preliminary testing. Council Member Greene seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

G. Discuss/Approve request to promote one (1) CPD Detective to Lieutenant, effective November 8, 2023.

Council Member Beard made a motion to approve the request to promote CPD Corporal, Terence Ware, to Detective with the proper pay increase, effective November 8, 2023.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

H. Discuss/Approve request to advertise for RFPs for Accounting Services

Council Member Mickens made a motion to remain with the current Accounting Firm, Watkins, Ward, and Stafford, until FY2022 Audit is finalized. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION:

Council Member Greene made a substitute motion to advertise for RFPs for Accounting Services. Councilwoman DiCicco seconded the motion.

Council Members Greene and DiCicco voted in favor of the motion. Council Member Mickens, Beard, and Jones opposed the motion.

The motion failed 2/3.

ORIGINAL MOTION:

Council Members Mickens, Beard, and Jones voted in favor of original motion to remain with the current Accounting Firm, Watkins, Ward, and Stafford, until FY2022 Audit is finalized. Council Members Greene and DiCicco opposed the motion.

The original motion carried 3/2.

I. Discuss/Approve request to advertise for a Grant Writer.

Council Member Mickens made a motion to approve the Job Description for the Grant Writer, with one correction, *the successful candidate should report directly to the COO*, and proceed with advertising. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION:

Council Member Greene made a motion to approve the Job Description and leave the Job Description as is with the successful candidate reporting to the CFO. Councilwoman DiCicco seconded the motion.

Council Members Greene and DiCicco voted in favor of the motion. Council Members Mickens, Beard and Jones opposed the motion.

The motion failed 2/3.

MINUTES OF THE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 7, 2023

ORIGINAL MOTION:

Council Members Mickens, Beard, and Jones voted in favor of original motion to approve the Job Description with the successful candidate reporting to the COO. Council Members Greene and DiCicco opposed the motion.

The original motion carried 3/2.

CLOSED DETERMINATION:

Council Member Beard made a motion to go into closed session to determine whether it is necessary to go into Executive Session. Council Member Jones seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

All members of the public, with the exception of the Mayor, the Council, the General Counsel, the COO, the CFO, the Police Chief and the HR Director, exited the meeting.

Mayor Gaskin apprised the Council of one (1) personnel matter involving the job performance of an employee in the Police Department and remarked that it warrants being heard in Executive Session pursuant to Section 25-41-7 (4)(a) of the Open Meetings Act.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor then asked if there was any other business to come before the Mayor and City Council. There being none, the Mayor announced that the meeting was ADJOURNED.

Approved by: _____
Keith Gaskin, Mayor

James "Jim" Brigham
CFO/Secretary-Treasurer/Clerk