

**SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
December 2, 2025
5:00 P.M.**

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the Court Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Mayor Jones was absent. Vice-Mayor Ethel Stewart presided over the meeting and all Council Members were present. Also present were the General Counsel, the COO, CFO, the Police Chief, HR Director, and all other Department Heads.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Vice-Mayor Ethel Stewart called the meeting to order and called upon Rev. Jacquise Frierson, pastor of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church of Columbus, to offer the Invocation.

II. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the Agenda; therefore, no action was taken..

III. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

- A. Approve Minutes for Work Session of November 12, 2025.**
- B. Approve Minutes for Meeting of November 18, 2025.**
- C. Approve Minutes for Special Meeting of November 20, 2025.**

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Work Session of November 12, 2025; Minutes for the Regular Meeting of November 18, 2025 and Minutes for the Special Meeting of November 20, 2025. Council Member Harris seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

IV. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS

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Councilman Spears made a motion to approve the Docket of Claims for December 2, 2025 in the amount of \$268,962.63. Councilman Harris seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve request for CPD Police Chief, Joseph Daughtry and Assistant Police Chief, Garland Ward, to attend the “MS Association of Chiefs of Police 2025 Winter Educational Conference” to be held in Oxford, MS and approve payment for registration, use of City vehicle for travel, lodging and reimbursement of meal expenses, estimated cost totaling \$1,323.00 each.
- B. Accept letter of retirement from Fire and Rescue personnel, Todd Graham, effective February 1, 2026 and approve compensation of unused vacation leave up to 240 hours as permitted by PERS.
- C. Approve request for CPD Police Chief, Joseph Daughtry, to attend the “2026 Mississippi Municipal League Mid-Winter Conference” to be held in Jackson, MS and approve payment of registration, use of City vehicle for travel, and reimbursement of meal expenses, estimated cost totaling \$504.00.
- D. Approve temporary Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Improvements along Main Street from 4th Street to 7th Street and pay the cost of \$16,215.80 for the all crosswalks & double yellow lines on the North side and \$6,251.20 on the South side from Special Projects Account. ***Supporting documents follow.***

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NORTH					
	Bid Item	quantity	unit	unit price	
2507	Traffic Stripe, Skip White	600	lf	\$ 1.00	\$ 600.00
2519	Traffic Stripe, Continuous White	865	lf	\$ 1.00	\$ 865.00
2526	Traffic Stripe, Continuous Yellow	814	lf	\$ 1.00	\$ 814.00
2530	Detail Traffic Stripe, Parking	231	lf	\$ 2.00	\$ 462.00
2530	Detail Traffic Stripe, Cross Hatch Yellow	1197.5	lf	\$ 2.00	\$ 2,395.00
2533	Detail Traffic Stripe, Blue-ADA	336	lf	\$ 3.00	\$ 1,008.00
2536	Legend, 24" stop bar	248	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 992.00
2536	Legend, 24" crosswalk	1716	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 6,864.00
2536	Legend, right arrow	98.4	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 393.60
2536	Legend, through arrow	73.8	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 295.20
2536	Legend White, ONLY	132	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 528.00
2594	Legend, Blue-ADA Handicap Symbol	2	ea	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
	PRB Channelizing Marker	50	ea	\$ 30.00	\$ 1,500.00
Total					\$ 16,216.80

*all crosswalks & double yellow lines are included in North

SOUTH					
	Bid Item	quantity	unit	unit price	
2507	Traffic Stripe, Skip White	264	lf	\$ 1.00	\$ 264.00
2519	Traffic Stripe, Continuous White	865	lf	\$ 1.00	\$ 865.00
2526	Traffic Stripe, Continuous Yellow	80	lf	\$ 1.00	\$ 80.00
2530	Detail Traffic Stripe, Parking	0	lf	\$ 2.00	\$ -
2530	Detail Traffic Stripe, Cross Hatch Yellow	887.3	lf	\$ 2.00	\$ 1,774.60
2533	Detail Traffic Stripe, Blue-ADA	321.2	lf	\$ 3.00	\$ 963.60
2536	Legend, 24" stop bar	200	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 800.00
2536	Legend, 24" crosswalk	0	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ -
2536	Legend, right arrow	32.8	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 131.20
2536	Legend, through arrow	49.2	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 196.80
2536	Legend White, ONLY	44	sf	\$ 4.00	\$ 176.00
2594	Legend, Blue-ADA Handicap Symbol	2	ea	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
	PRB Channelizing Marker	39	ea	\$ 30.00	\$ 1,170.00
Total					\$ 6,251.20

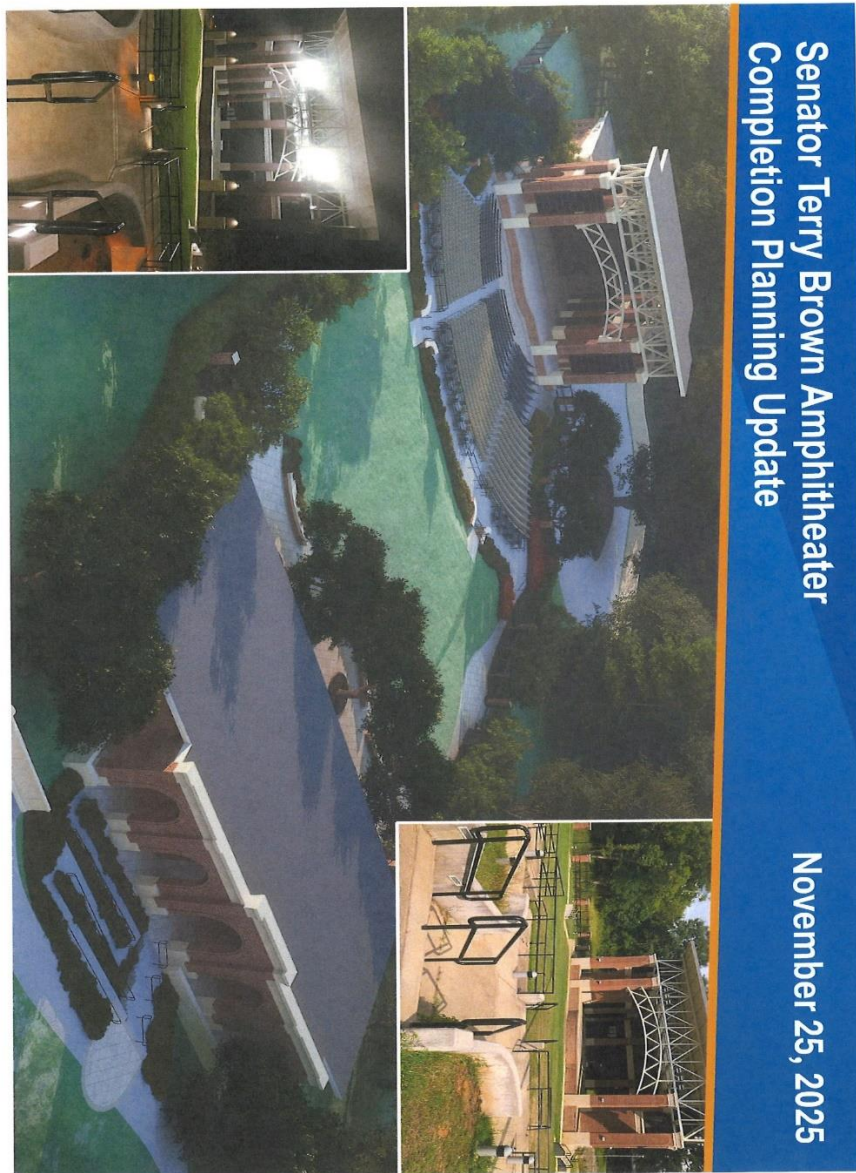
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- E. Approve the allocation of \$1,000,000.00 for Phase 3 Construction of the Senator Terry Brown Amphitheater.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOLLOW:



Stakeholder and Design History

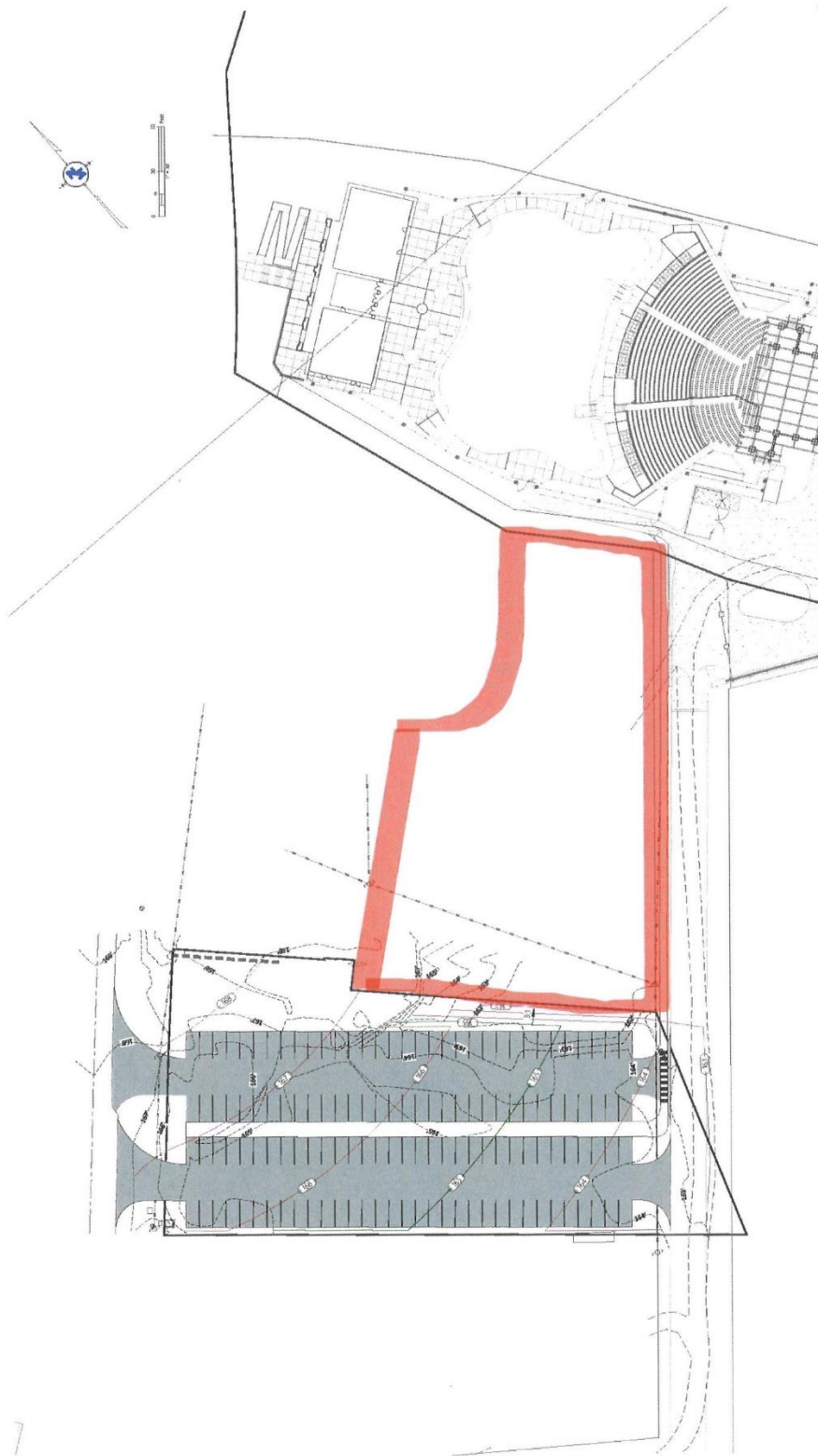
- **Stakeholder Group**
 - Phase 1 and 2 - City + CVB
 - Current – City + CVB + County
- **Advisory**
 - Red Mountain Entertainment – facility design needs and act proforma
 - Live Nation – Layne Flournoy
 - 409 Management & Consulting – advertising opportunities
 - MSU Extension Center for Government & Community Development – Economic Impact Report
- **Design Team –**
 - Approach - Bridge Structure + Historical Architecture
 - Phase 1 and 2
 - NSI – lead PM, civil, electrical, structural, LA
 - LPK – architectural
 - J5 – PM and CA
 - Current – NSI + LPK

Site Selection

- Location – outdoor, 10-12 shows/year, land use + grade
- Floodplain / Floodway – No-Rise design + sustainable materials (block, brick, elevated utilities/facilities)
- Parking – multiple opportunities



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Funding

- **State of MS**
 - 2015 - \$2.25M – \$150k used for Riverwalk Masterplanning
 - 2016 - \$1.1M – allowed Phase 1 to be completed
 - 2019 - \$500k – allowed Phase 2 to be completed
 - 2024 - \$1M allocated
 - 2025 – potential request (\$1M)
- **City of Columbus**
 - 2015 –
 - in-kind (clear, grub, grade site) = ~\$15k value
 - \$44k – rough grading and drainage (Weathers Contracting)
 - 2017 - \$99k – parking lot purchase + in-kind clear, grub, and grade
 - 2025 – Phase 3 plan update and bid = ~\$35k
 - \$1M – needs formal allocation vote
- **CLWD** – in-kind (utilities) = ~\$60k value
- **Lowndes County** – donated land = ~\$125k value
 - Potential in-kind (parking lot) and grant/funding requests
- **CVB** – 2025 - \$1M allocated
- Potential advertising/naming rights + future grants

Phase 3 Legislative Budget	
Construction Cost (from 2016 bid)	\$ 1,705,523.85
Inflation Since 2016 Bid (35%)	\$ 596,933.35
Parking Lot Completion	\$ 500,000.00
A/E & PM Fee (12%)	\$ 336,294.86
Land Purchase for Additional Parking	\$ 500,000.00
Contingency (10%)	\$ 363,875.21
TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST	\$ 4,002,627.27

Updated Project Team

- **Stakeholder Meetings**
 - Create Venue Board / Committee
- **Venue Consultant**
 - Live Nation
 - RFP?
- **Advertising Consultant**
 - Live Nation or 409 Consulting
 - RFP?
- **Updated Design, Bidding, CA Contract**

Fees To Date

NSI Total Contractual Fee	\$	410,424.00
Phase 1 Rebid & Design Changes	\$	21,000.00
Phase 1 Printing Reimbursable	\$	16.71
Potential Fees Requested	\$	431,440.71
Paid to Date	\$	210,000.00
Potential Fee Due	\$	221,440.71
Design Break-Even Request	\$	180,094.59
Legislative Budgeted Request	\$	336,294.86
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Redesign + Bidding (Phase 3)	\$	35,000.00
CA (Phase 3 @ 4%)	\$	120,000.00
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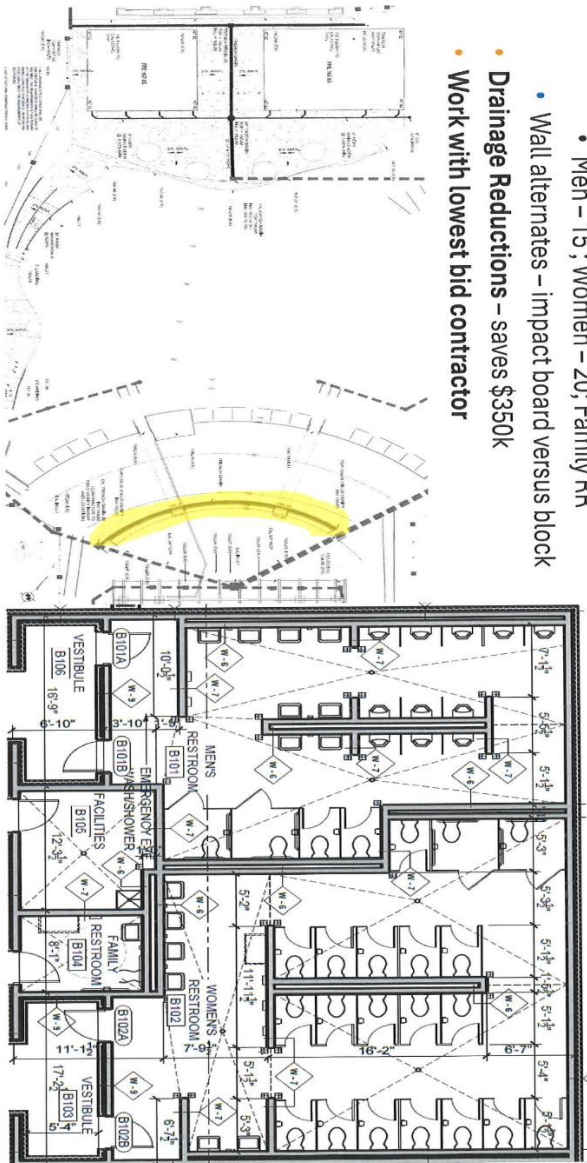
- capacity reduction done in 2016 rebid (55%, 1900 people)

- Men – 15; Women – 20; Family RR

- Wall alternates – impact board versus block

- **Drainage Reductions** – saves \$350k

- **Work with lowest bid contractor**



Design Value Engineering

- **Other VE Considerations**
 - LA Alternate – saves ~\$120k
 - Limestone existing parking lot – possible in-kind
 - Delay added parking lot acquisitions

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TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST	\$ 4,002,627.27	\$ 3,486,294.86

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- F. Approve Architectural and Engineering Service Agreement for Phase 3 construction of the Senator Terry Brown Amphitheater. **Supporting documents follow.**

November 27, 2025

City of Columbus
Honorable Mayor Stephen Jones
P. O. Box 1408
Columbus, MS 39701

REFERENCE: SENATOR TERRY BROWN AMPHITHEATER – PHASE 3 FACILITY COMPLETION

Dear Mayor Jones:

Neel-Schaffer, Inc. (NSI) is pleased to offer professional services as defined in Exhibit A, Scope of Services, for the above referenced project. NSI proposes to perform these services under the hourly rates defined in our Master Agreement, and we offer the following not-to-exceed fees for each scope:

Preliminary Design (completed)	\$180,094.59
Phase 3 Final Design and Rebidding	\$ 35,000.00
Construction Administration and Inspection	\$120,000.00

All services, hourly rates, and General Terms and Conditions shall be performed in accordance with our Master Agreement dated July 1, 2025. NSI will bill you monthly based on the amount of work completed.

This Letter Agreement, consisting of one page; Exhibit A, consisting of three pages; and our Master Agreement, consisting of seven pages, represent the entire agreement between the City of Columbus and Neel-Schaffer, Inc. This Letter Agreement and the exhibits may only be modified or amended by a duly executed written document. If the terms of this Agreement are acceptable, please execute the original and return a copy to us.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide services to you and look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

NEEL-SCHAFFER, INC.



Kevin Stafford, P.E.
North Mississippi Regional Manager

ACCEPTED: CITY OF COLUMBUS

SIGNATURE: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____



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Exhibit A

SCOPE OF SERVICES

PRELIMINARY DESIGN

The City of Columbus contracted with Neel-Schaffer (NSI) on October 5, 2015 for the design of the Senator Terry Brown Amphitheater. This design fee was specified as 6% of construction. While the entire facility was designed and bid, the lack of adequate funding required it to be partially completed and in phases, and it is still not complete today. Although the design work was completed, the previous administration requested NSI to withhold invoicing for design fee services which did not get awarded for construction. Per the original contract, if the entire design would have been awarded, NSI would still be due over \$200,000 for base design services and \$21,000 for rebidding, redesign, and scope creep services.

Neel-Schaffer's original contract also did not include full construction administration services since the City was using their project manager for those services. We understand that those services are also now needed, and we are pleased to offer them in the scope below.

Being 10 years old and considering changes to the project team, site circumstances and scope needs, with the execution of this contract, NSI and the City agree to close the original design contract. NSI agrees to accept \$180,094.59 as full and final payment of all unpaid architectural and engineering design fees referenced above. These designs shall be utilized and updated for Phase 3 rebidding described in the scope below.

PHASE 3 FINAL DESIGN AND REBIDDING

An initial start-up meeting shall be held with the Amphitheater Stakeholder Committee to go over the required responsibilities and objectives of the project. NSI anticipates needing up to 3 additional stakeholder meetings to get through final design and bidding services.

Neel-Schaffer shall provide design and construction documentation required to construct Phase 3 of the amphitheater, which will complete the facility with restrooms, concessions, permanent seating, fencing, sidewalks, and landscaping. The anticipated scope for each design shall include updating the original:

1. Construction drawings and details
2. Structural design for seating, and stairs
3. Technical specifications
4. Advertisement and Bidding documents / services
5. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan permitting
6. Architectural fees for buildings, including plumbing, mechanical, and electrical, and structural engineering.
7. Re-visiting the Code and Life Safety Analysis for the Concessions and Restroom Building
8. Coordinating MEP revisions for any proposed food service equipment

BID PROCUREMENT

1. Advertise and distribute construction documentation in order to obtain competitive public bids in accordance with the State of Mississippi public procurement laws.
2. Host a bid opening in City Hall's Public Reception Room.



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3. Provide a certified review of all bids received and make a judgment to the adequacy of the lowest responsive bidder.
4. Provide and review contract documents for contractor engagement.

CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTION

Neel-Schaffer shall provide construction administration and inspection services for the entire proposed scope. We anticipate these services to mostly consist of:

1. Host a preconstruction conference in order to define the ground rules of construction.
2. Submit supplemental and/or revised drawings to the Contractor as deemed necessary by the design professional.
3. Monitor the work through up to 10 hours per week for a period of 9 months for on-site evaluations appropriate to the stage of construction; including up to (9) monthly evaluations which coincide with regularly scheduled on-site progress meetings. Site visits are to become generally familiar with the progress and quality of the portion of the Work completed and to determine, in general, if the Work observed is being performed in a manner indicating that the Work, when fully completed, will be in accordance with the Contract Documents. Design professional will report known deviations from the Contract Documents and defects and deficiencies observed in the Work to Contractor.
4. Recommend rejecting work which does not conform to the Contract Documents.
5. Participate in up to (24) progress meetings, including up to (9) regularly scheduled on-site monthly progress meetings.
6. Review and Certify the Contractor's monthly Application and Certificate for Payment based on the evaluations of the Work.
7. Review Contractor's Submittal Schedule.
8. In accordance with the Submittal Schedule, review a maximum of (2) electronic PDF submittals per line item such as Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with the information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. Allow five (5) working days for review of each submittal.
9. Respond to requests for information within three (3) working days from receipt.
10. Authorize minor changes in the Work that are consistent with the intent of the Contract Documents and do not involve an adjustment in the Contract Sum or an extension of the Contract Time.
11. Participate in Substantial Completion Inspection.
12. Participate in Final Completion Inspection.
13. Participate in one-year warranty inspection.



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Since some services cannot be quantified at this time and/or may not be afforded in this phase, this general scope (and fee) does not include:

1. Environmental Permitting
2. Geotechnical Services
3. Right-of-Way Acquisition Services
4. Parking Lot design, bidding or CA services
5. Bidding and handling multiple contracts and contractors
6. Addition of facility scopes such as parking lots and sound green rooms
7. Venue, Marketing, and Advertising Consultant selection or coordination services

Prior to proceeding with future phases, we shall write the City a letter referencing this agreement and add the scope(s) and fee(s) required for consideration of approval.



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- G. Approve rejection of Phase 3 Bids for the Senator Terry Brown Amphitheater and approve rebid for Phase 3 Construction.
- H. Approve payment to Collum Construction, LLC for Payment Request No. 3 in the amount of \$148,005.09 to be taken from ARPA funding for drainage improvements. **Supporting documents follow.**

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143-A LeFleurs Square
Jackson, MS 39211

601-355-9526
601-352-3945

November 25, 2025

City of Columbus
523 Main Street
Columbus, MS 39701

ATTN: Stephen Jones, Mayor

RE: **CONSTRUCTION PAYMENT REQUEST – No. Three**
COLUMBUS DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
Wei# 0022126.000

Dear Mr. Jones:

Transmitted, for your review and approval, is one copy of Cullum Construction, LLC. Estimate No. 3 for the referenced project. The estimate for the work period from October 26, 2025 to November 20, 2025 is ready for processing in the amount of \$148,005.09.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact us. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Josh Sansing, P.E.
Project Manager

JS/jm

Attachments

c: Paul Foley, P.E., Dir. of Transportation & Field Support Services, Waggoner Engineers Inc.

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PAYMENT REQUEST No. Three (3)

City of Columbus, MS
Columbus Drainage Improvements
WEI #0022126.000

ANALYSIS OF ADJUSTED CONTRACT AMOUNT TO DATE

Original Contract Amount.....	\$ 5,309,845.01
PLUS: Additions.....	\$ 0.00
LESS: Deductions.....	\$ 0.00
Adjusted Contract Amount To Date.....	\$ 5,309,845.01

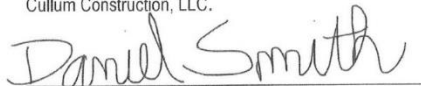
ANALYSIS OF WORKED PERFORMED TO DATE

Total cost of work performed to date.....	\$ 478,999.35
ADD: Materials stored at close of this period.....	\$ 0.00
Subtotal.....	\$ 478,999.35
LESS: Amount Retained (5.0%)	\$ 23,949.97
Subtotal.....	\$ 455,049.38
LESS: Amount of Previous Payments.....	\$ 307,044.29
AMOUNT DUE THIS PAYMENT	\$ 148,005.09

CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR

According to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that all items and amounts shown on the face of this Periodic Estimate for Partial Payment are correct; that all work has been performed and/or materials supplied in full accordance with the requirements of the referenced Contract, and/or duly authorized deviations, substitutions, alterations, and/or additions; that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the contract account up to and including the last day of the period covered by this Periodic Estimate; that not part of the "Amount Due This Payment" has been received, and that the undersigned and his subcontractors have complied with all the labor provisions of said contract.

Cullum Construction, LLC.



By: Daniel Smith
Title: Project Manager
Date: 11/25/2025

CERTIFICATION OF ENGINEER

I certify that I have checked and verified the above and foregoing Periodic Estimate for Partial Payment: that to the best of my knowledge and belief it is a true and correct statement of work performed and/or material supplied by the contractor; that all work and/or material included in this Periodic Estimate has been periodically monitored by me and/or by my duly authorized representative or assistants and that it has been performed and/or supplied in substantial accordance with requirements of the referenced contract; and that the partial payment claimed and requested by the Contractor is correctly computed on the basis of work performed and/or materials supplied to date.

Waggoner Engineering, Inc.



By: Josh Sansing, P.E.
Title: Project Manager
Date: 11/25/2025

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NO.	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	CONTRACT QUANTITY	CONTRACT PRICE	CONTRACT AMOUNT	PREVIOUS QUANTITY	PREVIOUS AMOUNT	THIS PERIOD QUANTITY	THIS PERIOD AMOUNT	TO DATE QUANTITY	TO DATE AMOUNT	PERCENT COMPLETE	PERCENT COMPLETE	CHURN QUANTITY	CHURN AMOUNT	
202-8007	REMOVAL OF ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ALL DEPTHS		SY	40.15	\$	73,635.70	3,861.5	\$	287,000.00	\$	11,683.55	\$	25,178.47	34.2%	-126.85	\$	(94,656.63)
202-8010	REMOVAL OF BOX CULVERT		EA	4,282.00	1	\$	4,302.00	1	\$	4,302.00	1	\$	4,302.00	100.0%	0	\$	(9,584.00)
202-8012	REMOVAL OF CONCRETE DRIVEWAYS, ALL DEPTHS		SY	22.58	375	\$	8,467.50	7.00	\$	190.00	7.00	\$	190.00	100%	-360	\$	(3,300.00)
202-8013	REMOVAL OF CONCRETE PAVED DITCH		SY	225.12	9	\$	2,115.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	0	\$	(2,115.00)
202-8014	REMOVAL OF CONCRETE SIDEWALK		SY	165.83	23	\$	4,299.00	30.00	\$	57,000.00	30.00	\$	57,000.00	47.6%	73	\$	(13,565.99)
202-8015	REMOVAL OF CURBS & GUTTERS, ALL TYPES		LF	57.26	2,884	\$	165,855.84	180.00	\$	10,784.88	540.00	\$	19,938.48	13.1%	-230.00	\$	(13,753.36)
202-8016	REMOVAL OF CURBS & GUTTERS AND GUTTER, ALL TYPES		EA	666.96	11	\$	10,624.00	2.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-155	\$	(4,347.90)
202-8017	REMOVAL OF CURBS INLET		LF	171.74	24	\$	4,977.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-40	\$	(3,863.90)
202-8018	REMOVAL OF CURBS AND GUTTERS		LF	34.40	142	\$	4,874.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-140	\$	(4,874.00)
202-8019	REMOVAL OF DEBRIS AND SAND FROM PIPE, ALL SIZES		LF	18.43	335	\$	5,719.50	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-325	\$	(6,750.00)
202-8020	REMOVAL OF FENCE, ALL TYPES		LF	174.85	40	\$	6,954.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-375	\$	(6,750.00)
202-8021	REMOVAL OF MANHOLE		EA	2,988.00	4	\$	10,750.00	1.00	\$	3,407.75	1.00	\$	3,407.75	75%	-37	\$	(6,525.45)
202-8022	REMOVAL OF PIPE 18" AND ABOVE		SY	2,427.00	4,379	\$	105,280.17	107.00	\$	5,803.71	1,743.65	\$	52,131.55	75%	-37	\$	(6,525.45)
202-8023	REMOVAL OF PIPE 18" AND ABOVE		SY	22.65	440	\$	8,966.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1	\$	(10,800.00)
202-8024	REMOVAL OF TREES		EA	7,969.00	1	\$	7,969.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1	\$	(20,742.34)
202-8025	UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION, FILL, ALL		CY	21.58	2,500	\$	53,951.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-550	\$	(63,600.00)
202-8026	SELECT MATERIAL FOR UNDERCUTS, CONTRACTOR FURNISHED, FILL		CY	25.27	69	\$	2,949.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-250	\$	(2,949.00)
202-8027	GEOTECHNICAL STABILIZATION, TYPE V		SY	13.23	108	\$	4,428.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-375	\$	(6,750.00)
202-8028	GRASSING		ALFES	2,427.00	3,387	\$	10,655.64	180.00	\$	1,273.38	1,743.65	\$	52,131.55	75%	-37	\$	(6,525.45)
202-8029	TEMPORARY SLOPE FENCE		EA	214.79	47	\$	10,095.13	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-47	\$	(10,800.00)
202-8030	WATER TRENCH GUARD		LF	7.09	340	\$	2,474.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-340	\$	(20,742.34)
202-8031	REPAIR FOR EROSION CONTROL		TON	70.33	16	\$	1,125.28	2.00	\$	145.06	1,743.65	\$	52,131.55	15%	-22	\$	(85.06)
202-8032	GRAVELL MATERIAL, CLASS II, GROUP C		TON	61.88	559	\$	55,959.32	26.00	\$	2,354.25	25,300.00	\$	3,817.50	10.6%	-47	\$	(4,644.64)
202-8033	SIZE 1/2 CRUSHED STONE BASE		TON	70.00	797	\$	55,113.61	115.00	\$	6,351.45	1,111.32	\$	11,113.32	77.8%	-24	\$	(17,279.54)
202-8034	SAVING CUT FILL DEPTH		LF	6.00	106	\$	1,171.40	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-106	\$	(4,144.28)
202-8035	REINFORCED CONCRETE, CONCRETE, UNCLASSIFIED, SIZES		CY	146.15	37	\$	159,266.55	33.50	\$	55,723.03	76.00	\$	1,137.69	23.93%	193.0	\$	(14,279.54)
202-8036	REINFORCED CONCRETE, CONCRETE, UNCLASSIFIED, SIZES		LF	257.19	16	\$	2,797.41	33.00	\$	6,158.27	330.00	\$	1,468.83	26.8%	-302.88	\$	(17,463.70)
202-8037	27 X 17 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS III		LF	133.40	64	\$	8,537.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-20	\$	(5,143.87)
202-8038	27 X 17 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS IV		LF	144.51	1,592	\$	22,474.32	40.00	\$	198.00	200.00	\$	3,058.08	11.0%	-184	\$	(8,537.69)
202-8039	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		LF	185.77	12	\$	2,745.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-12	\$	(2,540.44)
202-8040	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A IV		LF	585.84	38	\$	18,657.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-38	\$	(17,472.30)
202-8041	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		LF	2,285.19	189	\$	38,511.32	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-189	\$	(38,511.32)
202-8042	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		LF	504.34	24	\$	12,154.16	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-24	\$	(12,154.16)
202-8043	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		LF	299.60	1,696	\$	508,127.80	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1,696	\$	(508,127.80)
202-8044	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		LF	338.69	285	\$	55,959.80	120.00	\$	4,235.00	120.00	\$	42,720.00	42.0%	-166	\$	(55,711.80)
202-8045	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	2,860.00	1	\$	1,880.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1	\$	(23,125.50)
202-8046	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,574.00	1	\$	3,574.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1	\$	(23,125.50)
202-8047	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,228.00	1	\$	3,228.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1	\$	(23,125.50)
202-8048	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	2,514.00	2	\$	5,028.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-2	\$	(23,125.50)
202-8049	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	1	\$	3,438.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1	\$	(23,125.50)
202-8050	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,588.00	1	\$	3,588.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-1	\$	(23,125.50)
202-8051	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,582	15,000	\$	87,655.24	244.00	\$	1,371.28	1,371.28	\$	1,371.28	1.6%	-15,000	\$	(88,311.68)
202-8052	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,582	22,500	\$	128,455.20	192.00	\$	1,371.28	192.00	\$	1,371.28	1.6%	-22,500	\$	(129,372.64)
202-8053	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,582	36	\$	4,676.20	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-36	\$	(4,676.20)
202-8054	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	2,720	394	\$	15,752.20	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-394	\$	(15,752.20)
202-8055	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	2,410.00	40	\$	5,840.00	29.53	\$	7,985.53	29.53	\$	7,985.53	73.2%	-13.37	\$	(23,127.47)
202-8056	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	662	\$	25,988.68	33.00	\$	1,725.00	33.00	\$	1,725.00	0.4%	-662	\$	(25,988.68)
202-8057	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8058	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8059	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8060	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8061	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8062	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8063	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8064	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8065	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8066	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8067	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8068	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8069	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8070	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8071	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8072	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8073	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8074	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8075	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8076	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00	\$	0.00	0%	-3,202	\$	(21,470.00)
202-8077	27 X 18 CONCRETE ARCH PIPE, CLASS A III		EA	3,438.00	3,202	\$	21,470.00	0.00	\$	0.00							

ADDITIVE ALTERNATIVE A - SITE 3

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Original Contract Amount	\$	5,309,845.01
Additions		0.00
Deletions		0.00
Revised Contract Amount	\$	5,309,845.01

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Councilman Spears made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Council Member Jefferson seconded the motion. Vice-Mayor Stewart called for discussion, and there being none, all Council Members voted in favor of same, with a unanimous vote.

The motion carried 5/0.

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

A. Comments from Mayor and Council

- Vice-Mayor Stewart made the following announcements:
- On behalf of Mayor Jones and Council Members, we thank everyone for coming out to the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting on December 3, 2025. We also encourage citizens to participate in all of the upcoming Christmas Festivities and show our support.
- Council Member Jefferson reported that he and Council Member Harris participated in a Conference offered by the MSU Extension Center for Government and Community Development: Fall CMO Class- Foundations of Municipal Government. This training covered duties & responsibilities of Elected Officials, Budgeting, Open Meetings Public Records and Purchasing. The training was very informative, and we brought back a wealth of knowledge.
- Council Member Smith thanked Mayor Jones, CFO Brigham, and Engineer Kevin Stafford for the approval of Item "H" on the Consent Agenda for approving funding for drainage improvements in Ward II.

B. BOARD VACANCIES

COO Jammie Garrett apprised the Council of a vacancy on the Golden Triangle Regional Waste Management Authority Board.

GOLDEN TRIANGLE REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

1 Vacancy, Robert Smith's 4-Year Term expires 12/31/2025.

Appointment will be made January 6, 2026.

APPLICANT(S).

Robert Smith

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

None

VIII. POLICY AGENDA

A. Discuss/Approve Allocating remaining ARPA drainage funds for the Highway 45 Ditch Improvements and Summerhaven Drive Drainage, allowing Modernization Tax funding to apply to each respective Ward's Paving Budget.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the allocation of the remaining ARPA drainage funds for the Highway 45 Ditch Improvements and Summerhaven Drive Drainage, allowing Infrastructure Modernization Act Tax funding to apply to each respective Ward's Paving Budget. in the amount of \$238,000.00 to the lowest responsive bidder, Pace Excavating, LLC. Council Member Harris seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

B. Consideration to accept bid for Highway 45 South Drainage project work.

Council Member Spears made a motion to accept and award the bid for the Highway 45 South Drainage project work to Pace Excavating, LLC, the lowest and best bidder, in the amount of \$238,000.00. Council Member Jefferson seconded the motion.

All Council Members voted in favor of the motion.

The motion carried 5/0.

Supporting documents follow:

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December 2, 2025

City of Columbus
ATTN: Mayor Stephen Jones and City Council
P.O. Box 1408
Columbus, MS 39703

**RE: HWY 45 NORTH DITCH IMPROVEMENTS
CERTIFIED BID TABULATION**

Dear Mayor Jones and Council Members:

Attached is a certified bid tabulation which details all bids received for the above-referenced project at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2025.

Our evaluation of all bids finds the lowest responsive bidder to be Pace Excavating, LLC with a total bid amount of \$238,000.00. We have reviewed their proposal, and all appropriate licensure requirements are met by this contractor. This bid proposal is in order with the bid requirements and is presented for the City's consideration for award of contract.

If you have any questions or need additional information concerning this bid, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

NEEL-SCHAFFER, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'K. Stafford'.

Kevin Stafford, P.E.
City Engineer

Attachment

landscape architects
environmental scientists
surveyors
planners
engineers

P: 662.328.4547 | F: 662.328.8552
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Columbus, MS 39705
www.neel-schaffer.com



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CERTIFIED BID TABULATION
CITY OF COULMBUS
HWY 45 N. DITCH IMPROVEMENTS
Thursday, November 20, 2025
10:00 A.M.

Pay Item No.	Description	Bid Qty	Unit	Pace Excavating, LLC Bid Bond: FCC Insurance Company	Cook & Son, LLC Bid Bond: The Gray Insurance Company	Hannan, LLC Bid Bond: The Gray Insurance Company	Wealthier Construction, Inc. Bid Bond: Great Midwest Insurance Company
1.0	HWY 45 N. Ditch Improvements	1	L.S.	\$ 238,000.00	\$ 323,475.56	\$ 414,900.00	\$ 530,000.00
	TOTAL BID			\$ 238,000.00	\$ 323,475.56	\$ 414,900.00	\$ 530,000.00

I CERTIFY THAT THIS A CORRECT TABULATION OF ALL PROPOSALS RECEIVED ON THE ABOVE DATE.



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ADJOURNMENT:

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

Approved by: _____
Ethel Stewart, Vice-Mayor

James “Jim” Brigham
CFO/Secretary-Treasurer/Clerk

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