

City of Hattiesburg, MS

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Minutes Report

Monday, October 1, 2018

4:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council - Agenda Review

I. Public Hearing

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hattiesburg City Council held a Public Hearing on unsafe properties at 4:00 p.m. Monday, October 1, 2018, in Council Chambers at City Hall, pursuant to order adopted September 4, 2018, at Minute Book 2018 Page 216, to determine if the following properties are in such a state of uncleanliness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community.

Those present included Mayor Toby Barker and members of the City Council Jeffrey George, Ward 1; Deborah Delgado, Ward 2; Carter Carroll, Ward 3; Mary Dryden, Ward 4; and Nicholas Brown, Ward 5. Others in attendance included Director of Administration/City Clerk, Kermas Eaton; City Attorney, Randy Pope; Clerk of Council, Ronda S. Cole; Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu; City staff members; media; and the public.

Council President Carroll called the meeting to order and explained the procedures.

I.-1 [2018-826](#)

Hold Public Hearing on October 1, 2018 at 4:00p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall to determine if the following properties are in such a state of uncleanness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community, according to the provisions of MS Code 1972, Section 21-19-11.

Attachments: [Public Hearing 10.1.18](#)

- [1. 307 Conti](#)
 - [2. 102 S. 11th Ave](#)
 - [3. 2011 Brooklane Dr.](#)
 - [4. 121 May Ave](#)
 - [5. 717 Walnut St.](#)
 - [6. 3407 Tiltree Dr.](#)
 - [7. 114 N 23rd](#)
 - [8. 611 Highland Ave](#)
 - [9. 100 Claiborne Ave](#)
 - [10. 111 Dearborne St.](#)
 - [11. 306 J. D. Randolph St. \(Recovered\)](#)
 - [12. 212 Timothy Ln](#)
- [Owner notice](#)

Code Enforcement Manager Chris Price presented the properties to be considered. Mr. Price recommended that the Council adopt resolutions determining the properties are in such a state of uncleanness so as to be a menace to the health and safety of the community, providing a specified period of time to remove the violations, and declaring the City's intent to take action to clear violations and charge the cost plus penalty against the property if the violations are not resolved in the specified period of time. He recommended resolutions allowing homeowners 15 days to resolve violations.

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- Walter Farly, 100 Claiborne Avenue (case number 9)

There were no other citizens present who wished to address the Council regarding properties listed for the public hearing.

[2018-879](#)

Unsafe PH Sign-In Sheet, 10-01-18.

Attachments: [10-01-18 Unsafe PH Sign-In Sheet](#)

By unanimous consent, Council President Carroll closed the public hearing at 4:12 p.m. and proceeded with the Agenda Review.

II. Agenda Review

Agenda Adjustments

The Clerk of Council read aloud amendments to the agenda as follows:

Amend Policy Agenda Item V.-1 to include approval of the minutes for the September 17, 2018.

Amend Policy Agenda Item V.-5 to include "as authorized by Section 17-21-5, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Add Policy Agenda Items V.-20 and V.-21 at the request of the Administration as follows:

V.-20 [2018-835](#)

Adopt Resolution authorizing the employment of professionals in connection with the sale and issuance by the City of General Obligation Bonds and/or a General Obligation Bond of the City for sale to the Mississippi Development Bank (The "City Bond"); all in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed forty-five million dollars (\$45,000,000); and for related purposes.

Attachments: [Hattiesburg MDB Hattiesburg General Obligation Bonds 2019 \(200087\) \(MDB GO UW\) - Engagement Resolution \(10_2_18\) 44179535_2 \(003\)](#)
[Hattiesburg MDB Hattiesburg General Obligation Bonds 2019 \(200087\) \(MDB GO UW\) - Engagement Letter \(BS\) - 44361819_1 \(003\)](#)
[Hattiesburg GO Bonds 2019 - City MA \(IRMA\) Disclosure & Eng Ltr \(10.2.18\)](#)
[Hattiesburg GO Bond 2019 RJ IRMA Exemption Letter_Hattiesburg 9.28.18](#)
[Executed - Res #2018-152 authorizing the employment of professionals in connection with sale and issuance by the city of General Obligation Bonds](#)

V.-21 [2018-836](#)

Adopt Resolution Declaring the Intention of the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, to issue General Obligation Bonds of the City and/or a General Obligation Bond of the City for Sale to the Mississippi Development Bank, all in an aggregate principle amount not to exceed Forty-Five Million Dollars (\$45,000,000) to raise money for the purpose of (I) Constructing, Improving or Paving Streets, Sidewalks, Driveways, Parkways, Walkways or Public Parking Facilities, and Purchasing Land Therefor; (II) Erecting, Repairing, Improving, Adorning, Equipping and Furnishing Municipal Buildings, and Purchasing Buildings and Land Therefor; (III) Protecting a Municipality, its Streets and Sidewalks from Overflow, Caving Banks and other like Dangers; (IV) Constructing Bridges and Culverts; and (V) For Other Authorized Purposes Under Mississippi Code Ann. Sections 21-33-301 *ET SEQ.*, and Sections 31-25-1 *ET SEQ.*, as Amended and Supplemented from Time to Time, Including Funding Capitalized Interest, if Applicable and Paying the Costs of Borrowing, Including any Costs for Bond Insurance Premium, if applicable; Directing the Publication of a Notice of Such Intention; and for Related Purposes.

Attachments: [Hattiesburg MDB Hattiesburg General Obligation Bonds 2019 \(200087\) \(MDB GO UW\) - Intent Resolution \(10 2 18\) 44172125 1 Executed - Res #2018-153 Hattiesburg MDB Hattiesburg General Obligation Bonds 2019](#)

Amend Routine Agenda Items VI.-5, VI.-6 and VI.-7 at the request of Administration as follows:

to include "authorize the Mayor to execute the same and authorize Attorney to record with Forrest County".

Add Routine Agenda Item VI.-15 as follows:

VI.-15 [2018-837](#)

Ratification of amended Memorandum of Understanding between the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive (ATF) and Hattiesburg Police Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachments: [MOU with ATF and HPD - revised](#)

Following discussion of agenda items, Council President Carroll closed the Agenda Review.

III. Citizen's Forum

Council Vice President Dryden proceeded with the Citizens' Forum.

She stated the procedures and invited members of the public to speak.

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- Vanessa J. Jones, P.O. Box 1554

There were no other citizens present who wished to address the Council.

[2018-880](#)

Citizens' Forum Sign-In Sheet, 10-01-18.

Attachments: [10-01-18 Citizens' Forum Sign-In Sheet](#)

Council Vice President Dryden closed the Citizen Forum.

IV. Work Session

1. Proposed Tax Abatements - ADP, Todd Jackson

2. Tax Abatement Cost Benefit Analysis - Alex Pickle

[2018-877](#)

Work Session Presentation on Tax Abatement Cost Benefit Analysis - Alex Pickle, 10-01-18.

Attachments: [Final 2017 Ad Valorem Exemption EIA_City of Hattiesburg](#)
[Hattiesburg Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Analysis-Chart with Taxes Paid](#)

3. Proposed Sustainability Commission Ordinance - Ann Jones

4. Hub City Downtown Historic District - Ginger Lowrey

[2018-878](#)

Work Session Presentation on Hub City Downtown Historic District - Ginger Lowrey, 10-01-18.

Attachments: [Downtown Dist proposal Council 10-1-18](#)

V. Meeting Close