

There came on for consideration at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, held on the **5th** day of **August, 2025**, the following Resolution:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF DIAMONDHEAD, MISSISSIPPI, FINDING AND ADJUDICATING THAT THE
HEREIN DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND ARE IN SUCH A STATE OF
UNCLEANLINESS AS TO BE A MENACE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY,
AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENRY OF THE CITY AND AUTHORIZING
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS OR TO OBTAIN QUOTE(S) TO HAVE SAID LAND
CLEARED AND CLEANED AND TO ASSESS THE COSTS TO THE SAID
PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, (the "City"), pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated §21-19-11, 1972, as amended, finds, determines, and adjudicates, based upon the investigation of the City's Building Department, that the parcel of land described below are in such a state of uncleanliness as to be a menace to the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizenry of the City; and

WHEREAS, said property, as described herein, are within the corporate boundaries of the City of Diamondhead, Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the parcel investigated by the Building Department and recommended by the Building Official for adjudication as being in such a state of uncleanliness including, high grass and shrubs, as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the citizenry of the City are identified as:

Justine A. Whitby, 84584 Diamondhead Drive North, Parcel number 067M-1-35-142.000, Diamondhead Subdivision Phase 2, Unit 11, Block 11, Lot 59.

WHEREAS, notice to the property owners was provided by the City pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated §21-19-11, 1972, as amended, by mail to Justine A. Whitby, 84584 Diamondhead Drive, Diamondhead, Mississippi, notice posted on the bulletin boards at City Hall, and notice posted on the property at 84584 Diamondhead Drive North by Code Enforcement Officer Jasmin Seferovic, all within Diamondhead, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Diamondhead further find, determine and adjudicate that advertisement for bids or obtaining quotes to clean the above referenced property should be made in the form and manner as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further find, determine, and adjudicate that the cost of the lot cleanup shall not exceed the aggregate amount of \$20,000.00 per parcel per calendar year or the fair market value of the property subsequent to removal, whichever is less. Said amount including a penalty shall be assessed as a lien against said property as provided by law and shall be enrolled in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, as other judgments are enrolled, and in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Diamondhead further find, determine, and grant authority to the Building Department to re-enter the properties for a period of two (2) years without any further hearings if notice is posted on these properties and at City Hall, 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525, at least seven (7) days prior to re-entering the properties for resolution of the same type of violation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. That the matters, facts, and things recited in the Preamble hereto are hereby adopted as the official findings of the Governing Authority.

SECTION 2. That the property at 84584 Diamondhead Drive North, Diamondhead, Mississippi, be and hereby is declared to be a menace to the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizenry of the City of Diamondhead.

SECTION 3. The property owner is hereby given a minimum of **14** days to cure the menace on said property. If the property owner fails to cure the menace, that the City Clerk be and hereby is authorized to advertise for bids or obtain quote(s) and/or utilize city resources to cut and clean the property (remove all shrubs, bushes, high grass and weeds that exceed 6” in height) and remove all to a proper disposal site as described hereinabove and lying within the corporate boundaries of the City of Diamondhead, Hancock County, Mississippi.

SECTION 4. That the cost of cleanup of the herein described properties, including any penalty assessed, shall be a lien against said properties as provided by law and shall be enrolled in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

SECTION 5. That the Council of the City of Diamondhead further find, determine, and hereby grant authority to the Building Department to re-enter the properties not more than five (5)

times for a period of two (2) years without any further hearings if notice is posted on these properties and at City Hall, 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525, at least seven (7) days prior to re-entering the properties for resolution of the same type of violation.

Councilmember _____ moved for the adoption of the Resolution, which was seconded by Councilmember _____.

Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following ballots were cast:

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Finley	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Sheppard	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Harwood	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Clark	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Maher	_____	_____	_____
Mayor Liese	_____	_____	_____

WHEREUPON, the Mayor declared the Motion carried and the Resolution adopted, this the _____ day of August, 2025.

ATTEST:

ADOPTED:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR