

City of Diamondhead, MS
Request for Council Action

TO: Mayor/Council/City Clerk

FROM: Councilmember At-large Maher

DATE: 09/06/2024

Ordinance Resolution Agreement Info Only Work Session Other

AGENDA LOCATION: Consent Agenda Regular Agenda

AGENDA DATE REQUESTED

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION CAPTIONS or ISSUE:

Request to re-appoint Bryon Griffith to Water Sewer Commission for another term.
Resume attached

REQUIRED SIGNATURE

REQUESTED BY:

COUNCIL ACTION:

Approved Denied Tabled/Deferred Info Only Completed:

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD RE-APPOINTING BRYON GRIFFITH TO SERVE AS A COMMISSIONER FOR THE DIAMONDHEAD WATER & SEWER DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council (the governing body) for the City of Diamondhead have been vested the authority as of July 1, 2015 with the passage of House Bill No. 896 amending MS Code §19-5-167 to appoint the five (5) commissioners to serve on the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District Board of Commissioners, that one (1) Commissioner from each Ward within the City of Diamondhead be appointed and further that such appointment shall be for a term of five (5) years, and

WHEREAS, the term of Diamondhead Water and Sewer District Commissioner (Ward 4) has expired on September 28, 2024, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Council of the City of Diamondhead do hereby re-appoint Bryon Griffith, a Resident of Ward 4, to serve as Commissioner to be seated on the Board of Commissioners for the Diamondhead Water & Sewer District for term of five (5) years expiring on September 28, 2029.

SO BE IT RESOLVED, this the _____ day of _____, 2024.

The above and foregoing Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Diamondhead, after having been first reduced to writing, was introduced by Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember _____ and the matter being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

	Aye	Nay	Other
Mayor Depreo	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Finely	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Liese	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Cumberland	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Clark	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Maher	_____	_____	_____

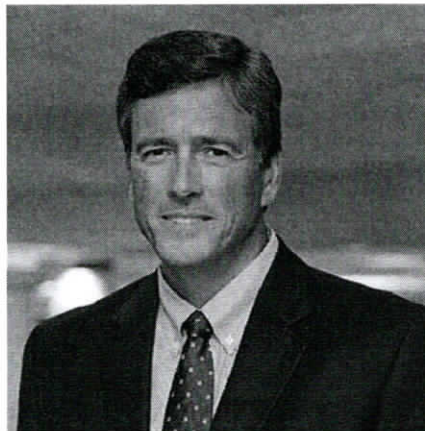
APPROVED _____
Nancy Depreo, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jeannie Klein, City Clerk

seal

Bryon Griffith
79326 Diamondhead Drive East
Diamondhead, MS 39525

Mr. Griffith is a 13 year resident of Diamondhead. He has an extensive and distinguished public service background that included a 33 year career with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency where he served as the Executive Director of the Agency's Gulf of Mexico Program, headquartered at the Stennis Space Center.



Mr. Griffith is a recognized leader in the design and implementation of collaborative environmental policy and renowned leader of highly successful regional business partnerships, both domestic and bi-national (U.S. and Mexico). He developed and led numerous federal leadership initiatives including as the senior federal executive in charge of the US and Mexico Gulf states public and private programs partnership development for the EPA. In 2004, he was appointed by the Bush Administration's Council on Environmental Quality to develop and lead the Gulf of Mexico States Governors Alliance in response to the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy's call for more effective regional ocean policy management. The Gulf Alliance proved so highly successful the Joint Ocean Commission heralded it as a national model for collaborative management of coastal resources and protection of community economies and infrastructure.

Mr. Griffith closed out his EPA career in 2011 after serving as the Administration's federal executive lead for the President's Deepwater Horizon Federal and State Task Force which led to the structure and passage of the RESTORE Act that administers the BP Settlement Funds across the five Gulf Coast States. In his capacity as EPA's Gulf Executive Director, Mr. Griffith was responsible for assisting coastal communities across the five Gulf States address their most complex wastewater, drinking water, and storm water issues.

After retiring from EPA, Mr. Griffith joined Dewberry Consultants as Vice President leading the firm's highly successful expansion of consulting and engineering operations throughout the Gulf region.

In 2017, Mr. Griffith formed Community Resilience Redefined LLC (CR2), an independent management consulting firm dedicated to assisting businesses and communities in successfully navigating rapidly changing federal economic and environmental policies. Mr. Griffith continues to manage CR2 as President and CEO.

In addition to his Federal public service experience, Mr. Griffith has served in 3 public positions in Hancock County. Specifically, Mr. Griffith was elected to serve as the Waveland Board Member of the Bay/Waveland School District wherein he closed out his term as President (1996-2000); he was later appointed by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors to the Hancock Medical Center Hospital Board (2006-2010); and currently, is concluding his 2020 appointment by the Diamondhead City Council to the Diamondhead Water and Sewer Board where he presently serves as the Board Chairman (2020-2024).

A 1979 University of Southern Mississippi Graduate of Business, father of two boys, grandfather of six grandchildren, Mr. Griffith and his loving wife and best friend (Yvonne Griffith) of 46 years continue to reside in Diamondhead Mississippi.