

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

Be it remembered that a special called meeting of the Tupelo City Council was held in the Council Chambers in the City Hall building on Tuesday, September 11, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Council Members Lynn Bryan, Travis Beard, Nettie Davis, Bentley Nolan, and Rosie Jones. Ben Logan, City Attorney, and Sandra Shumaker, Clerk of the Council. Council President Janet Gaston attended by phone and Council Member Chad Mims was absent.

Mayor Jordan gave a brief overview of the budget to the council. The revenue side had no millage increase. Tax and expenditures were expected to “remain flat”. Budget matters such as COLA raises would be reviewed in January of 2026 after the cost of health care has been determined.

The city made the last payment on a loan for the airport in the amount of \$24,700 and the final payment was made on the loan for the repair of the bridge on West Main Street.

Council Member Davis asked about the status of the C.C. Augustus Pool. Mayor Jordan responded that to replace only the pool with no other changes would cost approximately \$600,000. He assured the council that the matter of the entire C.C. Augustus Center was being reviewed, and they would come back with a plan when they get the final cost.

CALL TO ORDER

Council Vice President Lynn Bryan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

IN THE MATTER OF THE TAX ROLL FOR THE 2025 TAX YEAR

Council Member Nolan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to accept the tax roll for the 2025 tax year. Of those present, the vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX A

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION FOR THE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF TUPELO AND THE TUPELO MUNICIPAL SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE TAX YEAR 2025 AND THE CURRENT FY 2025-2026

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Nolan, to adopt the resolution for the levying of ad valorem taxes for the City of Tupelo and the Tupelo Municipal Separate School District for the tax year 2025 and the current FY 2025-2026. Of those present, the vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX B.

IN THE MATTER OF 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET

Council Member Nolan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to adopt the City of Tupelo, Mississippi budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, under the provisions of Section 21-35- 1 et. seq. of Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated.

Council President Gaston requested clarification on the budget expenditure category for each department’s “other services”. CFO Kim Hanna explained that this expenditure category would include departmental expenditures for other services such as professional services, telephone, travel, etc. (The general expenditure categories as prescribed by the Mississippi Department of Audit are salaries,

supplies, other services and capital expenses.)

Council Member Lynn Bryan asked about the amount donated to the Tupelo Lee County Library. CFO Kim Hanna responded that the library was left at the same millage, but they would see a slight increase because of the increase in assessed value of property.

Council Member Bryan read aloud the totals of the budget categories.

Of those present, the vote to approve the budget was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX C

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE & POLICE RETIREMENT 2025

Council Member Nolan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the "Resolution of the City Council of the City of Tupelo, Mississippi, Authorizing and Directing There Be a Two Percent (2%) Increase in the Benefits for All Members and Beneficiaries Receiving Retired Relief or Disability Relief Benefits from the Firemen's and Policemen's Disability and Relief Fund", giving those members a 2% increase. Of those present, the vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX D

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the council, Council Member Nolan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard to adjourn the meeting at 4:27 p.m. this the 11th day of September, 2025.

Janet Gaston, Council President

ATTEST:

Sandra Shumaker, Council Clerk

APPROVED

Todd Jordan, Mayor

Date