

# **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

## **MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO**

### **STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**DECEMBER 05, 2023**

Be it remembered that a regular meeting of the Tupelo City Council was held in the Church Street School auditorium on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Council Members Chad Mims, Lynn Bryan, Travis Beard, Nettie Davis, Buddy Palmer, Janet Gaston and Rosie Jones; Ben Logan, City Attorney, and Missy Shelton, Clerk of the Council. Council Member Bryan led the invocation. Council Member Davis led the pledge of allegiance.

### **CONFIRMATION OR AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA AND AGENDA ORDER**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to amend the agenda and agenda order as follows:

DELETE # 13            IN THE MATTER OF TRA MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

ADD # 16                IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF SOLICITATIONS OF RFPs FOR  
DEPOSITORY BID

The vote was unanimous in favor.

### **EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

Mayor Todd Jordan recognized the following for their employment with the City of Tupelo:

Michael Bowens - Police Department - 20 years

Davis Manning - Police Department - 10 years

### **PUBLIC RECOGNITION**

Council Member Nettie Davis thanked the Outreach Committee for the Thanksgiving service held at the Link Center. She also reminded everyone that the Reed's Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 8.

Council Member Rosie Jones asked for all to keep the family of Lacey Elkins in their prayers.

Council Member Janet Gaston invited everyone to attend the 10th anniversary of the Aqua-Thon Celebration on Saturday, December 9. The money raised will go towards the purchase of lighting upgrades to LEDs and upgrades to the sound system.

Council Member Travis Beard thanked Alex and the Park and Recreation team for the outstanding event of the Lighting of the Park and the Oren Dunn Museum event with Mr. and Mrs. Clause.

## **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

Mayor Todd Jordan invited everyone to join in at the Christmas Parade on Friday night at 6:00 PM. He also shared that Council Member Janet Gaston will be swimming in the Aqua-Thon on Saturday.

## **IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 21, 2023 MEETING**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2023 regular Council meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor.

## **IN THE MATTER OF BILL PAY**

Bills were reviewed at 4:30 p.m. by Council Members Beard, Gaston, Davis and Palmer. Council Member Jones moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve the payment of the checks, bills, claims and utility adjustments. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX A

## **IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve the advertising and promotional items, as follows:

MS Radio Group    \$299.00    Christmas Greeting radio ads from City of Tupelo

## **IN THE MATTER OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #3 FOR FY 2023-2024**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve budget amendment #3 for the 2023-2024 budget. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX B

## **IN THE MATTER OF LICENSE COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2023**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve the License Commission minutes of October 24, 2023. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX C

## **IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2023**

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve the Planning Committee minutes of October 2, 2023. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX D

## **IN THE MATTER OF DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT – SIGNS (TABLED AT NOVEMBER 7, 2023 MEETING)**

This item was unanimously left on the table.

## **IN THE MATTER OF DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT – MULTIFAMILY (TABLED AT NOVEMBER 7, 2023 MEETING)**

This item was unanimously left on the table.

**IN THE MATTER OF DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT – CONGREGATE LIVING (TABLED AT NOVEMBER 7, 2023 MEETING)**

This item was unanimously left on the table.

**IN THE MATTER OF DISPOSAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY (PARKING CURBS) BY AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF SALTILLO**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to find that 80 parking curbs from the Park and Recreation Department had ceased to be used for public purposes, and an agreement to dispose of them to the City of Saltillo would promote the best interest of the governing authority. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX E

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARD OF ROW LINE CLEARANCE CONTRACT (BID NO. 2023-015WL)**

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to approve a contract between the Tupelo Water and Light Department and R.O.W. Pro, LLC, for bid # 2023-051WL. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX F

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER # 1 & SUMMARY FOR THE NORTH GREEN STREET SUBSTATION (BID NO 2023-033WL)**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to find as commercially reasonable and not made to circumvent the purchasing laws and to approve change order #1 and summary for Bid 2023-033WL - North Green Street Substation. This change order decreases the total amount by \$39,484.65 based on final quantities. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX G

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THREE RIVERS SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY AND CITY OF TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI AND AUTHORIZATION OF MAYOR TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE CITY**

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Davis, to approve a Solid Waste Disposal Service Agreement Between Three Rivers Solid Waste Authority and City of Tupelo, Mississippi and Authorization of Mayor to Sign on Behalf of the City. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX H

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION MADE BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR CONDITIONAL AMNESTY OF LIENS ASSESSED AGAINST REAL PROPERTY LOCATED OWNED BY IT AT 1100 CHAPMAN DRIVE**

Council Member Davis moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to approve an Order Authorizing Conditional Amnesty of Liens Assessed Against Real Property Owned by the Neighborhood Development Corporation and Located at 1100 Chapman Drive in Accordance with MISS Code Ann.

§21-19-12 (1972, as Amended). The liens total \$8,922.73. The vote was unanimous in favor.  
APPENDIX I

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION OF THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR THE SELECTION OF ONE MOR MORE MUNICIPAL DEPOSITORIES OF THE CITY OF TUPELO**

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to Authorize the Solicitation of Bids from Qualified Financial Institutions, to be Received at the January 16, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Tupelo City Council, for the Selection of One or More Municipal Depositories of the City of Tupelo in Accordance with Miss. Code Ann § 21-105-305 snf 27-105-353 (1972, as Amended). The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX J

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF BID 2023-048DS – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2025-2040 - REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Upon the unanimous agreement of the City Council, the Matter of Approval of Bid 2023-048DS - Comprehensive Plan 2025-2040 - Request for Qualifications is moved from the Study Agenda to the Active Agenda at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Jones, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor at 6:19 PM.

This the 5th day of December, 2023.

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Travis Beard, Council President

ATTEST:

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Missy Shelton, Council Clerk

APPROVED

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Todd Jordan, Mayor

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Date