

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO  
ENTER INTO AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR THE REPAIR OF  
PUBLIC DRAINAGE PURSUANT TO MISS. CODE ANN. § 31-7-13(K)**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a sinkhole in the vicinity of McNeese Street in the city limits of Tupelo that in its current condition is a hazard to the health, safety and welfare of the community (see pictures attached as “Exhibit A”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Public Works and licensed engineers have determined that the sinkhole has been caused by a failed City drainage pipe, and a delay in repairing the sinkhole will cause it to become increasingly more hazardous in the near future; and

**WHEREAS**, such a hazard will inevitably cause further harm to the health and safety of persons and the preservation and protection of property; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency purchase is authorized by Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-13(k) to allow governing authorities to enter into emergency repair contracts when it would otherwise be a detriment to the interest of the municipality to allow time for competitive bidding; and

**WHEREAS**, sufficient facts exist to determine that there is a need for an emergency purchase to repair the failed drainage pipe.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, let it be resolved by the City Council of the City of Tupelo the following:

- 1) The Director of Public Works shall seek proposals from local contractors for the repair of the failed drainage pipe.
- 2) The proposals shall be assessed using measurable criteria including, but not limited to, contractor experience, cost, and the ability to immediately proceed.
- 3) The Mayor of the City of Tupelo is hereby authorized to sign an emergency purchase contract for the repair of the failed drainage pipe. Said contract shall be ratified by the Council at the next scheduled Regular Meeting of the City Council.

After a full discussion of this matter, Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ moved that the forgoing resolution be adopted and said motion was seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ and upon the question being put to a vote, the results were as follows:

Councilmember Mims	_____
Councilmember Bryan	_____
Councilmember Beard	_____
Councilmember Davis	_____
Councilmember Palmer	_____
Councilmember Gaston	_____
Councilmember Jones	_____

BE IT ORDERED on this the \_\_\_\_ day of August 2021.

CITY OF TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI

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BUDDY PALMER, City Council  
President

ATTEST:

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MISSY SHELTON, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED

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TODD JORDAN, Mayor

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DATE

## Exhibit “A”

