

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

Be it remembered that a regular meeting of the Tupelo City Council was held in the Council Chambers in the City Hall building on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, 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 Sandy Shumaker, acting as Clerk of the Council. Denise Pulliam, from Temple of Compassion of Deliverance, led in prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Janet Gaston.

CONFIRMATION OR AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA AND AGENDA ORDER

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the agenda and agenda order, with the following addition:

ADD #15 In the Matter of Declaring as a noncompetitive Item Available from One (1) Source Only and to Authorize the Purchase of a Pole Camera Modular Surveillance System Produced and Sold by Crime Point, Inc. to be Used by the Tupelo Police Department

The vote was unanimous in favor.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Todd Jordan presented a proclamation to Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR).
APPENDIX A

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

The following employees were recognized for employment with the City of Tupelo:

Alex Farned	25 years	Park and Recreation
Terrence Haden Cooksey	5 years	Cadence Bank Arena

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Council Member Jones thanked those who organized and attended the Haven Acres Festival.

Council Member Buddy Palmer recognized the passing of Leesha Faulkner, a lifelong journalist, former City of Tupelo Communications Director and Oren Dunn Museum Curator.

Council Member Nettie Davis reminded everyone of the upcoming Community Forward Festival on

September 28 and a presentation related to gun violence at the Gum Tree Park on September 29. She also expressed kind words for Leesha Faulkner.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Todd Jordan announced a good sports week with a combined 185 teams in town.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOT MOWING

No one appeared to speak concerning the properties on the final lot mowing list.

<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Location</u>
088N3305700	151 CANAL STREET
089F3010501	527 N CHURCH STREET
089F3016001	523 N CHURCH STREET
078V3402104	WEST MAIN STREET
077Q3612400	1502 REED STREET
077Q3610700	1507 REED STREET

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 AND SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Travis, to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024 Regular Council meeting and the September 10, 2024 Special Call 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, Davis, Gaston, and Palmer. Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the payment of the checks, bills, claims and utility adjustments. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX B

IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the advertising and promotional items, as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX C

IN THE MATTER OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #13 FOR FY 2024

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Mims, to approve budget amendment #13 for FY 2024. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX D

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR MS OUTDOOR STEWARDSHIP TRUST FUND GRANT – BALLARD PARK WALKING TRACK IMPROVEMENTS

Council Member Jones moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the submission of an

application for the MS Outdoor Stewardship Trust Fund Grant for Ballard Park Walking Track Improvement. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX E

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL FOR MAYOR TO SIGN RESOLUTION FOR MS OUTDOOR STEWARDSHIP TRUST FUND GRANT AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND COMMITTING ALL FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE BALLARD PARK WALKING TRACK IMPROVEMENTS – REVISION

Council Member Jones moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve a resolution for a MS Outdoor Stewardship Trust Fund Grant (MOSTF) – Ballard Park Walking Track Improvements and to authorize the Mayor to sign. Council Member Jones moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the resolution and to authorize the Mayor to sign. APPENDIX F

IN THE MATTER OF LOT MOWING

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to adjudicate the properties on the final lot mowing list as menaces to the public health, safety and welfare of the community and in need of cleaning and to approve cleaning in accordance with Mississippi Code Annotated Sec. 21-19-11. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX G

IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW AND APPROVE LIENS FOR LOT MOWING

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve a Resolution Adjudicating Cost and Assessing Lien Against Real Property associated with property cleanups under Miss. Code Ann. 21-19-11(1972 as amended) for the following properties:

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>PARCEL</u>	<u>LIEN AMOUNT</u>
518 Rogers Lane	089B-30-007-00	\$300.00
4945 Endville Road	075S-16-001-01	\$500.00
3424 Walsh Road	075S-16-001-02	\$500.00
920 Blair Street	089J-31-183-00	\$500.00

The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX H

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MAJOR THOROUGHFARE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 12, 2024

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to approve the Major Thoroughfare Committee meeting minutes of August 12, 2024. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX I

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE RFP FOR THE BALLARD PARK ALL ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Bryan, to award the contract for Ballard Park Playground Request for Proposals – RFP # 2024-040PR to Bliss Products as the most advantageous and practicable proposal for the base proposal price of \$2,000,000 and fencing alternate

proposal price of \$73,034.00, all subsequent approval of a contract in final form. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX J

IN THE MATTER OF AN AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT CODE CHAPTERS 2, 6, 8 AND 12 CONCERNING THE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS THAT ALL NEW SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES SHALL HAVE CONSTRUCTED A GARAGE OR CARPORT AND THAT ALL APPLICATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES BE ACCOMPANIED BY COMPLETE SITE PLANS (TABLED AT SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 MEETING)

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Palmer, to remove the item from the table. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to suspend the rules and move this item to the Study Agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor.

IN THE MATTER OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND THE CITY OF TUPELO REGARDING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE COLLECTION OF LITTER ALONG RIGHT-OF-WAYS OWNED BY THE MTC BY THE CITY'S ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAM

Council Member Palmer moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding Between the MS Transportation Commission and the City of Tupelo Regarding the Reimbursement of Costs Associated with the Collection of Litter Along Right-Of-Ways Owned by the MTC by the City's Alternative Sentencing Program. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX K

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI AND LEE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to approve the form of and authorizing the execution and delivery of a Regional Economic Development Act Agreement (REDA) by and between the City of Tupelo and Lee County, Mississippi and for related purposes. This resolution and agreement provides for the development of 19.82 acres located east of the Natchez Trace Parkway, north of I-22 and west of Gloster Street which will include a Target shopping center, outparcel developments and access road. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX L

IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING AS A NONCOMPETITIVE ITEM AVAILABLE FROM ONE (1) SOURCE ONLY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A POLE CAMERA MODULAR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM PRODUCED AND SOLD BY CRIME POINT, INC. TO BE USED BY THE TUPELO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Council Member moved to declare, as a noncompetitive item available from one (1) source only, and to authorize the purchase of a pole camera modular surveillance system produced and sold by Crime Point,

Inc. to be used by the Tupelo Police Department. Council Member. The motion was seconded by Council Member Palmer. After a brief discussion the item was brought to a vote. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX M

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT TO PREVIOUS MOTION FOR AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE RFP FOR THE BALLARD PARK ALL ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND

Council Member Bryan asked that Council Member Gaston accept a friendly amendment to an order approved previously in this meeting. Upon her approval, Council Member Bryan moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to award the contract for Ballard Park Playground Request for Proposals – RFP # 2024-040PR. to Bliss Products as the most advantageous and practicable proposal for the base proposal price of \$2,000,000 and fencing alternate proposal price of \$73,034.00, all subject to subsequent approval of a contract in final form. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX J

IN THE MATTER OF DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENTS TA-23-01

This item was left on the Study Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor.

This the 17th day of September, 2024, at 6:27 p.m.

Nettie Davis, Council President

ATTEST:

Missy Shelton, Council Clerk

APPROVED

Todd Jordan, Mayor

Date

