

**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**  
**MUNICIPAL MINUTES CITY OF TUPELO**  
**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**  
**AUGUST 20, 2026**

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 Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. with the following in attendance: Council Members Chad Mims, Lynn Bryan, Travis Beard, Nettie Davis, Bentley Nolan, Janet Gaston and Rosie Jones. Ben Logan, City Attorney, and Sandra Shumaker, Clerk of the Council. Council President Lynn Bryan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

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

Vice President Nolan moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to amend the agenda order and add the following item:

**IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW AND APPROVE AIRPORT GRANTS**

**ROUTINE AGENDA**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL FOR CITY TO SUBMIT THE BJA FY 2025/2026 PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, to approve the submission of the Safe Neighborhoods Formula Grant Program Application. This is through the Department of Justice with no match. It helps purchase additional intersection cameras. Council President Bryan asked if the cameras allowed us to go back and get visuals as needed if they are not monitored for 24 hours straight. Chief Quaka answered that the cameras are not continuously monitored and that they retain data for 72 hours. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX "A"

**IN THE MATTER OF REVIEW AND APPROVE AIRPORT GRANTS**

Council Member Gaston moved, seconded by Council Member Beard, subject to a grant administration agreement between the city and airport to ensure proper compliance with federal and state requirements, to approve and allow the Mayor to execute as co-sponsor certain grants the Tupelo Airport Authority (TAA) had applied to receive from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The city and airport authority believed the airport could be the sole sponsor of these grants, but because of timing cited by the FAA, had proven not to be the case. The grants were for access road improvements, runway improvements and terminal upgrades and rehab. The grants totaled nearly \$4,000,000 for which the city and airport would be jointly and severally liable for compliance. The vote was unanimous in favor. APPENDIX "B"

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the council, Council Member Beard moved, seconded by Council Member Gaston, to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 2026.

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LYNN BRYAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

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SANDRA SHUMAKER, COUNCIL CLERK

APPROVED

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TODD JORDAN, MAYOR

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Date