



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

December 17, 2024

6:00 PM

Board Room • 119 W 8th Ave, Petal MS

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Mayor Tony Ducker
Alderman Drew Brickson
Alderman Craig Bullock
Alderman Mike Lott
Alderman Blake Nobles
Alderman Gerald Steele
Alderman Craig Strickland
Alderwoman Kim Stringer

Invocation was offered by Craig Strickland

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes - Public Hearing of Dec. 3, 2024
- Minutes - Regular Meeting of Dec. 3, 2024
- Minutes - Special Meeting of Dec. 13, 2024
- Resignation of Tyler Avera in the Recreation Dept. (J Edwards)
- Court Balances for Nov 2024

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderman Brickson.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

PROCLAMATIONS & RESOLUTIONS

BIDS — QUOTES

OLD BUSINESS

GENERAL BUSINESS

Request to address the board regarding placement of a food truck. (R Hayes)

Mr. Hayes is not present.

Request to approve addendum to service contract with Shows, Dearman & Waits extending time for Matthews Branch Sidewalk Project. (City Clerk)

Exhibit "A"

Addendum

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to pay Estimate #2 in the amount of \$163,371.61 to Walters Construction Co. for 2024 Paving. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to DENY Special Exception for 801 Old Richton Rd per the Planning Commission recommendation. (A Heath)

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Brickson.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to accept the Engineering Agreement with Shows, Dearman & Waits for Katrina Lift Station Upgrades. (City Clerk)

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to dispose of one (1) Emerson Microwave in the Fire Dept. (Chief Sims)

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Lott.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to authorize adjustment to water services billed to 113 Boulder Dr in the amount of \$138.00 due to a leak. (A Garcia)

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request for a Special Exception for property located at 49 Pinewood Dr, Parcel #3-031F-06-117.00 allowing a Certificate of Occupancy without a hard surface driveway. (A Heath)

Motion to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy to be revisited on Feb 4, 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to authorize the purchase of Parcel #3-030A-01-031.00 from the State of MS in the amount of \$5,731.00 authorizing the mayor to execute any documents necessary for the purchase.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Brickson.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to amend the minutes of August 20, 2024 to show that two EJC's were approved for Parcel #30390. \$7420.00 for the Right of Way for the Matthew's Branch Sidewalk Project and \$5,235.00 as an "administrative adjustment" for additional land. (Mayor)

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Will need a special meeting tomorrow to approve tonight's meeting minutes. Tomorrow at 10:00 a.m.

SEMINARS & TRAVEL

Request for Abby Shows to attend Emergency Telecommunicator's 40-hr Basic Course in Lucedale, MS on Jan. 27-31, 2025. Total cost: \$756.80 (Chief Hiatt)

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Lott.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request for Daniel Klem and Joe Lee to attend "Fundamentals of Social Media" training in Brandon, MS on 1/22/2025. Total cost: 0 (Chief Hiatt)

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Lott.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request for Kaelin Wright and Melissa Barber to attend "Crisis Call Handling" and "Stress Management" training in Flowood, MS on Dec. 16-17, 2024. Total cost: \$1083.96. (Chief Hiatt)

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Bullock.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request for Kaelin Wright to attend "Communications Training Officer" training in Long Beach, MS on Feb. 12-14, 2025. Total cost: \$765.50 (Chief Hiatt)

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request for Shalane Davison to attend "'CIT Dispatch" training in Collins, MS on Feb. 4-5, 2025. Total cost: \$96.48 (Chief Hiatt)

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Steele.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request for Kelly Finley to attend "Advanced Dispatcher Supervisor" training in Flowood, MS on Jan. 6-7, 2025. Total cost: \$634.96 (Chief Hiatt)

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

ORDERS & ORDINANCES

Request to adopt order hiring Gabe Wilson as Recruit Firefighter at a rate of \$11.7521 per hour effective Dec. 25, 2024 pending drug screen/physical. (Chief Sims)

ORDER

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Deem it necessary to hire a full-time firefighter

It is hereby ordered that Gabe Wilson be hired
Full-time as a Recruit Firefighter at a rate of
\$11.7521 per hour effective December 25, 2024

So ordered this the 17th day of December 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to adopt order hiring Jared Mott as 1st Class Firefighter at a rate of \$13.1766 per hour effective Jan. 7, 2025 pending drug screen/physical. (Chief Sims)

ORDER

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Deem it necessary to hire a full-time firefighter

It is hereby ordered that Jared Mott be hired
Full-time as a 1st Class Firefighter at a rate of
\$11.7521 per hour effective January 7, 2025

So ordered this the 17th day of December 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Bullock.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to hire Zay Rhodes as 1st Class Firefighter at a rate of \$13.1766 per hour effective Dec. 30, 2024. (Chief Sims)

ORDER

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Deem it necessary to hire a full-time firefighter

It is hereby ordered that Zay Rhodes be hired
Full-time as a 1st Class Firefighter at a rate of
\$11.7521 per hour effective December 30, 2024

So ordered this the 17th day of December 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele,
Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to adopt order promoting Joel Smith to Engineer at a rate of \$14.2450 per hour effective Dec. 25, 2024.
(Chief Sims)

ORDER

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Deem it necessary to promote Joel Smith
In the Fire Dept

It is hereby ordered that Joel Smith be promoted
To Engineer at a rate of \$14.2450
per hour effective December 25, 2024

So ordered this the 17th day of December 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Lott, Seconded by Alderman Steele.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele,
Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to adopt order promoting Casey Burge to Engineer at a rate of \$14.2450 per hour effective Dec 25,
2024. (Chief Sims)

ORDER

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Deem it necessary to promote Casey Burge
In the Fire Dept

It is hereby ordered that Casey Burge be promoted
To Engineer at a rate of \$14.2450
per hour effective December 25, 2024

So ordered this the 17th day of December 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Nobles, Seconded by Alderwoman Stringer

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele,
Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to adopt order increasing the salary for Michelle Strebeck to \$58,656.00 annually eff. 12/25/2024

ORDER

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Deem it necessary to increase the salary
Of Michelle Strebeck

It is hereby ordered that Michelle Strebeck
be raised to \$58,656.00 annual salary
effective December 25, 2024

So ordered this the 17th day of December 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Bullock, Seconded by Alderman Brickson.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to adopt order increasing the annual salary for Josh Young to \$58,656.00 eff. 12/25/24

ORDER

Whereas the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Deem it necessary to increase the salary
Of Josh Young

It is hereby ordered that Josh Young
be raised to \$58,656.00 annual salary
effective December 25, 2024

So ordered this the 17th day of December 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Brickson.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

MAYOR'S REPORT

Request to clear the room to determine the need for Executive Session.

Motion by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to enter into Executive Session.

Motion by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

Request to adjourn the Executive Session.

Motion by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Strickland.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND BOARD MATTERS

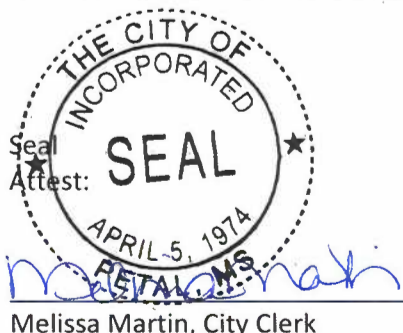
LEGAL

ADJOURN

Motion made by Alderman Steele, Seconded by Alderman Nobles.

Voting Yea: Alderman Brickson, Alderman Bullock, Alderman Lott, Alderman Nobles, Alderman Steele, Alderman Strickland, Alderwoman Stringer

A work session was held after the meeting for an update from Petal Chamber on "Christmas on the River".

Seal
Attest:

Melissa Martin, City Clerk


Mayor Tony Ducker

ADDENDUM TO EXTEND TIME
LPA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
BY AND BETWEEN
City of Petal
& *Shows, Dearman, and Waits, Inc.*

This Addendum is made a part of that Professional Services Contract entered into by and between *City of Petal* (Known as the 'LPA') and *Shows, Dearman, and Waits, Inc.* (Known as the "CONSULTANT"), whose address is *301 Second Avenue, Hattiesburg, MS 39401* signed by CONSULTANT on *January 25, 2022* and signed by LPA on *February 02, 2022*.

WHEREAS, in consideration of the agreement of the Parties hereto to modify the original Professional Services Contract between them, the *City of Petal* and *Shows, Dearman, and Waits, Inc.*, do by entering into this Addendum mutually agree to amend ARTICLE III. CONTRACT TERM of the original contract as aforescribed herein, in order to extend the Contract Term or period of performance of the Professional Services Contract for an additional *six (6) months*, and said Professional Services Contract is amended as set out below:

ARTICLE III. CONTRACT TERM: The CONTRACT ending date as shown in this Article for *Shows, Dearman, and Waits, Inc.* for *TAP Matthews Branch Sidewalk Improvements, Forrest County* will change from *December 31, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.* to *June 30, 2025 at 11:59 p.m.*

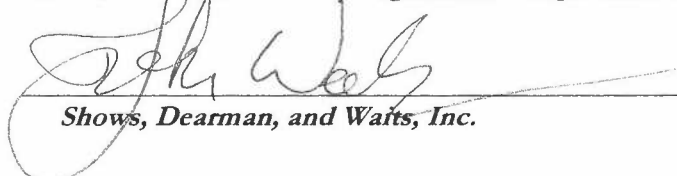
Except as provided herein, all other terms and conditions set forth in the original Professional Services Contract of the parties, and not in conflict with this Addendum, shall remain in full force and effect.

WITNESS this my signature in execution hereof, this the 18 day of December 2024



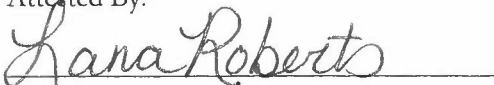
City of Petal

WITNESS this my signature in execution hereof, this the 11th day of December 2024



Shows, Dearman, and Waits, Inc.

Attested By:



Lana Roberts

Address: 301 Second Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401