

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Council President Markham.

Present: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Absent: None.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Cockrell and followed by the pledge to the flag.

Motion was made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman Houston and unanimously passed by the Council to confirm the agenda for this meeting.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Houston duly seconded by Councilman Hammon and unanimously passed by the Council to approve the minutes dated June 02, 2015.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15877      ORDER ACCEPTING DONATION OF PIPES & FITTINGS FOR THE  
FRESHWATER DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

And, Councilman Hammon seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15878      ORDER DECLARING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS AND NO LONGER  
NEEDED BY THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND AUTHORIZING THE  
SALE OF SAID SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

And, Councilman Hammon seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5970            RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE “PHASE II ADDENDUM AND AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN OF 2006, MERIDIAN MISSISSIPPI (MERIDIAN CROSSROADS PROJECT) MAY 2015”

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.  
Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5971            RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI (THE “CITY”), APPROVING IN SUBSTANTIAL FORM AND EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT (THE “AGREEMENT”) IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY’S TAX INCREMENT LIMITED OBLIGATION BONDS (THE MERIDIAN CROSSROADS PROJECT PHASE II) OF SAID CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR CERTAIN SITE AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO THE MERIDIAN CROSSROADS PROJECT PHASE II; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

And, Councilman Hammon seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.  
Nay: None.

Councilman Thomas offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15879            ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF MICHAEL VAN VECKHOVEN TO THE MERIDIAN MUNICIPAL SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEES

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.  
Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15880      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT  
WITH N'TUNE FEATURING KID CABANA (JULY 4, 2015 ENTERTAINMENT)

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilman Thomas offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Ordinance:

ORDIN. #4460      ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DEDICATIONS OF CERTAIN UTILITY  
EASEMENTS AND ALSO VACATING AND ABANDONING A SEGMENT  
OF AN EXISTING UTILITY EASEMENT FOR THE ETHRIDGE PARCEL  
IN THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Ordinance was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5972      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ABANDONMENT  
DEEDS TO CONVEY THE VACATED AND ABANDONED PARTIAL SEWER  
EASEMENT ABANDONMENT LOCATED ON THE ETHRIDGE PARCEL IN  
THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Next on the agenda was a proposed contract for financing the purchase of lasers for the police department. City Attorney Hammack advised that Section 5.05 Indemnification should be deleted from the contract.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15881      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION  
CONTRACT BETWEEN MUNICIPAL ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC. AND THE  
CITY OF MERIDIAN (FINANCING FOR PURCHASE OF TASERS)

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilman Thomas offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15882      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO DISPOSAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND WASTE MANAGEMENT OF MISSISSIPPI, INC.

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilman Thomas offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15883      ORDER AUTHORIZING A THIRD ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION BETWEEN SOUTHERN WASTE AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15884      ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN ARJEN LAGENDIJK ARCHITECT, PLLC AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN (VELMA YOUNG COMMUNITY CENTER)

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15885      ORDER ACCEPTING THE BID FOR ACCESS DRIVE TO THE EAST WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FROM DAVIDSON HAULING, INC., MARION, MS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,342.00 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR SAID WORK

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15886      ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 15, 2015 THRU JUNE 14, 2016 FOR ASPHALT MIX FROM APAC-MISSISSIPPI, INC., MERIDIAN, MS

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15887      ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 15, 2015 THRU JUNE 14, 2016 FOR CONCRETE PIPE AND BITUMINOUS PLASTIC CEMENT FROM HANSON PIPE & PRECAST

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15888      ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR 12-MONTH SOURCE OF SUPPLY

FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 15, 2015 TO JUNE 14, 2016 FOR SIGN  
BLANKS & MATERIALS FROM VULCAN SIGNS, FOLEY, AL

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15889      ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BID FOR SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THE  
PERIOD OF JUNE 15, 2015 THRU JUNE 14, 2016 FOR TRAFFIC  
PAINT FROM THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY, MERIDIAN, MS

And, Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:

RESO. #5973      RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE AMENDED BUDGET  
FOR THE CITY OF MERIDIAN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015, AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK IN  
REFERENCE THERETO

And, Councilwoman Henson seconded the motion, whereupon said Resolution was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.

Nay: None.

Councilwoman Henson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15890      ORDER APPOINTING RANDY HAMMON AS PRESIDENT OF THE  
MERIDIAN CITY COUNCIL EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.  
Nay: None.

Councilman Hammon offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #15891      ORDER APPOINTING KIM HOUSTON AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF  
THE MERIDIAN CITY COUNCIL EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

And, Councilman Markham seconded the motion, whereupon said Order was discussed, passed and adopted by the Council by a vote as follows:

Yea: Thomas, Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon.  
Nay: None.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Henson duly seconded by Councilwoman Houston and passed by a majority vote of the Council to approve the claims docket dated June 11, 2015 in the amount of \$4,381,659.46. Voting yea: Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon. Voting nay: Thomas.

President Markham called on Mayor Bland for his report. He thanked Police Chief Dubose and his staff for holding the Jr. Police Academy. The next one will be for ages 16 to 18. Kidz Zone held last weekend was a success. On June 27<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm at Magnolia Park, the last Kidz Zone will be held for this summer. State Games will kick off Friday night at 6 pm with opening ceremonies beginning at 7 pm. Magnolia baseball will begin this coming weekend. June 29<sup>th</sup> is the planned opening date for Velma Young pool. The Juneteenth celebration will be held this coming Saturday at Singling Brakeman Park. The July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration will be held at Bonita Lakes with the concert from 6 to 9 pm and the fireworks show will begin at 9 pm. The gates will open at 3:30 pm. Public works is working hard on cutting rights-of-way. Parks & Recreation continues to have a lot of programs going on.

At this time Councilman Markham called for citizens comments. Mrs. Samantha Hunter appeared regarding a claim that she filed with the city. She was asked to meet with CAO McGrevey after the meeting was adjourned.

President Markham called for Council comments. Various comments were made.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned. Sine die.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam McInnis, Clerk of Council