REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2014 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. Gary Houston and followed by the pledge to the flag.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Houston duly seconded by Councilman Hammon and passed by a majority vote of the Council to confirm the agenda for this meeting with an amendment to: add as R-11 department head salaries; remove CC-2. Voting yea: Markham, Houston, Hammon. Voting nay: Thomas, Henson.

Motion was made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman Houston and unanimously passed by the Council to approve the minutes dated August 5, 2014.

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

ORDER #15707 ORDER DECLARING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

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 Order:

ORDER #15708 ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF ROBERT HUGHES TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
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 #15709 ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF STEPHEN P. WILSON AS THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ATTORNEY

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 Order:

ORDER #15710 ORDER AUTHORIZING SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS ON THE 8TH STREET SIDE OF PROPOSED RESTAURANT AT 606 22ND AVENUE (AKA 618 22ND AVENUE)

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 Order:

ORDER #15711 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASTE PRO AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN (HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY)

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 #15712 ORDER APPROVING AND ADOPTING WAFFLE HOUSE, A COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

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 Order:

ORDER #15713 ORDER RECORDING INTO THE MINUTES OF THE MERIDIAN CITY COUNCIL THE “2014 DISCLOSURE SUBMISSION” PROVIDED BY BUTLER SNOW LLP

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. #5922 RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MERIDIAN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014, AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK IN REFERENCE THERETO

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.

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

ORDER #15714 ORDER ACCEPTING THE BID OF SHUMATE CONSTRUCTION, MERIDIAN, MS, FOR ASBESTOS ABATEMENT AND DEMOLITION OF NINE (9) HOUSES IN THE AMOUNT OF $29,000.00

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 Order:

ORDER #15715 ORDER ACCEPTING THE BID OF FORD EXCAVATING, LLC, SALTILLO, MS, FOR DEMOLITION OF SIXTEEN (16) HOUSES IN THE AMOUNT OF $48,400.00

And, Councilman Thomas 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 #15716 ORDER ACCEPTING LOW BIDS FOR 12-MONTH SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR PIPES, VALVES & FITTINGS

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 Order:

ORDER #15717 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI AND LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI (STABILIZATION WORK ON ROBBINS CREEK)

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.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Houston duly seconded by Councilwoman Henson and passed by a majority vote of the Council to approve the claims docket dated August 14, 2014 in the amount of $2, 230,085.22. Voting yea: Markham, Henson, Houston, Hammon. Voting nay: Thomas.

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

ORDER #15718 ORDER SETTING DEPARTMENT HEAD SALARIES

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

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

President Markham advised of the notification of legal advertisement for the following: a) hydrated lime (12 month source of supply); b) hydrofluorosilicic acid (12 month source of supply); c) liquid alum (12 month source of supply); d) liquid chlorine (12 month source of supply); e) polymer (12 month source of supply); f) sulfur dioxide (12 month source of supply).

President Markham called on Mayor Bland for his report. He thanked the City Council for confirming his appointment to the civil service commission and the attorney for the civil service commission. He said he looked forward to getting a commissioner for Ward 2. He said the committee can begin the process to move forward with
the hiring process and training. It is school time again. There have been academic rallies throughout the city with more planned. These rallies help promote education and motivate the youth. The administration has presented the city council with a budget with no tax increase. Football season is here. He asked everyone to support the teams. He advised that the city will be enforcing the curfew ordinance and reminded parents that they are responsible for their children. Councilman Thomas asked about the bridge on Highway 80 and was advised that work should start to stabilize the bridge around October. Councilman Hammon asked about the roof on the police station and was advised that they contract has been let on the roof and works should start any day on this.

President Markham called for citizen comments: Those signed up to speak were: 1) Christopher McCoy (did not appear); 2) Wade Demers (did not appear); 3) Lucinda Johnson.

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