REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY, AUGUST 06, 2019 AT 9:00 A.M.

Meeting called to order by Council President, Tyrone Johnson.

Present: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.

Absent: None.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Dan Lanier of Northcrest Baptist Church, and followed by the pledge to the flag.

Motion was made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman F. Johnson and passed by a unanimous vote of the Council to confirm the agenda. Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

Motion made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman Houston and passed by a unanimous vote of the Council to approve the minutes dated July 16, 2019. Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

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

ORDER #16790 ORDER DECLARING VEHICLES SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID SURPLUS VEHICLES

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16791 ORDER DECLARING EQUIPMENT SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND AUTHORIZING SAID SURPLUS EQUIPMENT TO BE DISCARDED

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Councilwoman Houston offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #16792 ORDER ACCEPTING DONATION FOR SPONSORSHIP FROM THE MITCHELL COMPANIES FOR THE MERIDIAN 2019 JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

Councilwoman F. Johnson offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #16793 ORDER ACCEPTING PARTIAL CLASS SPONSORSHIPS FROM ANDERSON REGIONAL HEALTH SYSTEMS FOR THE MERIDIAN FIRE DEPARTMENT'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT) PROGRAM

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16794 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (DFA) FOR FUNDING THE 22ND AVENUE STREETSCAPE PROJECT

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.
Councilman Thomas offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Order:

ORDER #16795 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN BUTLER SNOW LLP AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN FOR NMTC TAX CREDIT LEASE TRANSACTION UNWIND & BOND ISSUANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURCHASE OF THE MERIDIAN POLICE STATION

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16796 ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN WAGGONER ENGINEERING, INC., AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN (VALLEY ACCESS ROAD REPAIRS AT SOWASHEE CREEK)

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16797 ORDER AUTHORIZING DONATION OF SPACE AT FRANK COCHRAN CENTER TO WEEMS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER/NFUSIONX CROSSOVER PROGRAM (YOUTH AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM)

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

Councilman Thomas offered and moved the adoption and passage of the following Resolution:
RESO. #6229 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND EXECUTION OF
DEEDS FOR NINE (9) LOTS UNDER THE NEIGHBORHOOD LOT
PROGRAM. PURSUANT TO MISSISSIPPI CODE § 21-17-1(11)

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

RESO. #6230 RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE AMENDED
BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MERIDIAN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019, AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK
IN REFERENCE THERETO

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

Yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

Motion was made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman F.
Johnson and passed by a majority vote of the Council to approve Section (1) Payroll of the
claims docket in the amount of $1,785,597.59. Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson, F. Johnson,
Houston. Voting nay: Lindemann.

Motion was made Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilman T. Johnson and
passed by a majority vote of the Council to approve Section (2) Mandatory & Operational
Items of the claims docket in the amount of $1,159,928.37. Voting yea: Thomas, T. Johnson,

Total amount approved/passed $2,945,525.96 claims docket dated, August 1, 2019.

President T. Johnson called for the Mayor’s Report:

CAO, Richie McAlister said Mayor Bland apologizes that he couldn’t be here today; he
is away with his family. But he did want the Council to know that the Acting Mayor is Council
Vice-President, Kim Houston. Thank you all for everything that you approved today.

Doug Stephens said we have a “Back to School Bash” at Highland Park this weekend
and we encourage all the kids and their parents to come out and enjoy all the activities we
have planned. And if people want to donate supplies, drop them at the Highland Park Office.
Laura Carmichael said this Friday night at the Northeast Park there will be a Moonlight Run. There will also be two events this weekend at Bonita; Saturday, will have the Kettle Corn Race and Sunday, the Sunfish Triathlon.

President T. Johnson called for citizen comments:

1. Rhonda Cole and Callie Smith Anderson – spoke
2. James Powell - spoke
3. Stacy Jenkins – spoke
4. Barbara Ivey and Ruby Brown - spoke
5. Melinda Vinson Northam - spoke

President T. Johnson called for Council comments:

Councilman Lindemann gave his speaking time to Tommy Williams to speak on Lakeview. Various comments were made by the remaining Council Members.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann Clark, Clerk of Council