REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 02, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M.

Meeting called to order by Council President, Houston.

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

The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Eugene Boger, of St. Paul Church and Elizabeth Methodist Church, 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 with the following changes: Remove C-4 (Order authorizing potential release of funds for crime prevention partnership with Lauderdale County.) Remove R-3 (Order authorizing acceptance of Agreement with Pye Tech LLC for unique crime prevention technology.) (Executive Session: To protect proprietary information.) Move C-2 to R-5 (Order authorizing the surplus and sell of Sensus water meters.) Voting yea: Thomas, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

Motion made by Councilwoman F. Johnson duly seconded by Councilman Lindemann and passed by a unanimous vote of the Council to approve the minutes dated May 19, 2020 and May 22, 2020. Voting yea: Thomas, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

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

ORDER #16959 ORDER DESIGNATING VETTED SECURITY SOLUTIONS, LLC AS THE SOLE SOURCE SUPPLIER FOR THE “BRIEFCAM VIDEO SYNOPSIS SOLUTION” TO BE USED BY THE MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

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

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

ORDER #16960 ORDER AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION OF AMERICAN FLAGS AND SOLAR LIGHTS FROM VFW POST 12124 FOR THE MERIDIAN FIRE STATIONS

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, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

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

ORDER #16961 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN MCLAIN PLUMBING & ELECTRICAL SERVICE, INC., AND THE CITY OF MERIDIAN (FIRE STATION #1 HVAC UPGRADE)

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

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

Motion was made by Councilwoman F. Johnson duly seconded by Councilman Thomas and passed by a majority vote of the Council to approve Section (1) Payroll of the claims docket in the amount of $755,032.31. Voting yea: Thomas, F. Johnson, Houston. Voting nay: Lindemann. Voting Motion: Lindemann.

Motion was made by Councilman Thomas duly seconded by Councilwoman F. Johnson and passed by a unanimous vote of the Council to approve Section (2) Mandatory & Operational Items of the claims docket in the amount of $868,769.04 less payment #203574 for $30,078.00 leaving $838,691.04. Voting yea: Thomas, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann. Voting nay: None.

Total amount approved/passed $1,593,723.35 claims docket dated, May 28, 2020.

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

ORDER #16962 ORDER DECLARING SENSUS WATER METERS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID SURPLUS WATER METERS

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, F. Johnson, Houston, Lindemann.
Nay: None.

President Houston called for the Mayor’s Report:
Mayor Bland said an emergency was declared to address a new found break in the Highway 80 Trunk Line. Hugh Smith said the emergency situation of another failed section of the water line in the Highway 80 Trunk Line was discovered and an emergency declaration to expedite the repair was recommended. The section of the line is estimated to be 54” in diameter and located at the eroding side or the creek bank. Professionally designed plans and specifications as well as outside contractors are required to address this issue. Mayor Bland said June 1, 2020 is the Governor’s date for the reopening of all businesses in Mississippi.

President Houston called for Council comments:

Various comments were made by the Council Members.

An executive session was requested regarding proprietary business information. Motion was made by Councilman Lindemann duly seconded by Councilwoman F. Johnson and unanimously passed by the Council to close the meeting to determine whether to declare an executive session. Motion was made by Councilwoman F. Johnson duly seconded by Councilman Lindemann and unanimously passed by the Council which declared that an executive session was not needed to discuss proprietary business information. The Regular Meeting was reconvened without an executive session and no action was taken.

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