

EMERGENCY ORDER

GIVING THE ADMINISTRATION AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING LOAN FUND (WPCRLF) APPLICATION FOR SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND NAME THE MAYOR AS THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel has submitted a ranking form to request ranking and consideration for State Revolving Fund Loans to fund wastewater improvement projects;

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel entered into a professional services agreement with Neel-Schaffer to prepare a facilities plan for proposed sewer improvements to be funded through the WPCRLF program;

WHEREAS, Neel-Schaffer has prepared a facilities plan, including Intergovernmental Review (IGR) agency comments, and submitted the plan to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ);

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel is now eligible to submit an application for WPCRLF funding for the proposed improvements;

WHEREAS, the Administration was informed by Neel-Schaffer on February 20, 2025, that the deadline for submitting an application for WPCRLF for sewer system improvements is March 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the deadline for the WPCRLF loan application will expire before the next regularly scheduled Laurel City Council meeting on March 4, 2025, and it is imperative that the City be considered for funding in the 2025 cycle; and

WHEREAS, §31-7-13(k) of the Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated gives authority to the Mayor, acting as an agent of the City, to order immediate remediation of circumstances which threaten the safety and welfare of the citizens of the city, with ratification of said actions to be granted by the council at the next regularly scheduled meeting

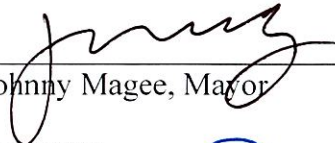
NOW THEREFORE, I, Johnny Magee, Mayor of the City of Laurel, acting under the authority granted by §31-7-13(k) of the Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated, do hereby authorize the following:

1. That the administration is authorized to prepare and submit an application to MDEQ for funding of proposed facilities plan improvements through the WPCRLF.
2. That the Mayor is authorized to execute and file an application and any amendments for a State Revolving Fund loan on behalf of the City of Laurel with full authority to execute all documents pertaining to the project.
3. That the Mayor is named the authorized representative of the project.

EXHIBIT A


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Finance Director be authorized to make any budget transactions necessary for the implementation of the forgoing order.

SO ORDERED on this the 20th day of FEBRUARY, A.D. 2025.



Johnny Magee, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kristal Jones, City Clerk

