



# City of Laurel

401 N. 5th Avenue  
Laurel, MS 39440  
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## Regular Meeting Agenda City Council

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Tuesday, July 7, 2026

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

### PRAYER

Councilperson Kevin Kelly

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. [ID 26-8347](#) June 16, 2026

Attachments: [CoL Minutes of 06162026](#)

### 1. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

### 2. PRESENTATION AGENDA

- A. [ID 26-8378](#) A Presentation from Mayor Johnny Magee offering congratulations to Laurel resident Grace Travis for winning the WDAM Star-Spangled Sing off.

Attachments: [Proclamation for Grace Travis](#)

- B. [ID 26-8369](#) Monthly Budget Certification for May 2026.

Attachments: [Certification Cover Sheet - May 2026](#)

[Certification Letter - May 2026](#)

[Revenue - May 2026](#)

[Sales Tax](#)

[Tourism Tax](#)

[Tourism Tax 3% HOTELS](#)

### 3. PUBLIC AGENDA

#### A. PUBLIC HEARING

##### 1. SET PUBLIC HEARING

##### 2. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

- A. [ID 26-8360](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to conduct a public hearing on July 7, 2026 in regards to a property located at 312 S. 16th Ave., belonging to Clark Properties LLC, to determine whether or not the property is in such a state of dilapidation so as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community. Property is located in Ward 1.

Attachments: [Resolution 312 S. 16th Ave.\(demo\)](#)  
[312 S. 16TH AVE. JULY 7,2026](#)  
[P.312 South 16th Ave-06172026090319](#)  
[R.312 South 16th Ave-06172026090336](#)

- B. [ID 26-8361](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to conduct a public hearing on July 7, 2026 in regards to a property located at 511 Sandy T. Gavin Ave., belonging to Kesha Brown Johnson, to determine whether or not the property is in such a state of dilapidation so as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community. Property is located in Ward 6.

Attachments: [Resolution 511 Sandy T. Gavin Ave.\(demo\)](#)  
[511 Sandy T Gavin pic 7-7-26](#)  
[P 511 SANDY T GAVIN-06172026091034](#)  
[R 511 SANDY T GAVIN AVE-06222026100441](#)

- C. [ID 26-8362](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to conduct a public hearing on July 7, 2026 in regards to a property located at 1220 Anderson St., belonging to Charlotte Jordan Est% Jacqueline Franklin, to determine whether or not the property is in such a state of dilapidation so as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community. Property is located in Ward 7.

Attachments: [Resolution 1220 Anderson St.\(demo\)](#)  
[1220 ANDERSON ST PIC 7-7-26](#)  
[P 1220 ANDERSON ST-06172026090924](#)  
[R 1220 ANDERSON ST-06172026090959](#)

#### B. CITIZENS HEARING

#### C. CITIZENS FORUM

**4. POLICY AGENDA**

- A. [ID 26-8377](#) Consider adopting a Resolution AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH LAUREL MAIN STREET REGARDING THE DOWNTOWN BRICKYARD PROJECT.
- Attachments:* [RES Authorizing MOA with Laurel Main Street Regarding Downtown Brickyard F Exhibit A-RES Authorizing MOA with Laurel Main Street Regarding Downtown E](#)
- B. [ID 26-8359](#) Consider adopting a Resolution giving the administration authority to approve Supplemental Agreement No. 2 for the Central Avenue Improvements - Phase II Project.
- Attachments:* [Resolution SA2.doc](#)  
[Time Extension Request for delays in March, April, and May - FINAL.pdf](#)
- C. [ID 26-8370](#) Consider adopting a Resolution authorizing and approving the form of an execution of a Municipal Lease-Purchase Agreement between the City of Laurel and Citizens National Bank of Meridian for the purpose of lease-purchasing (6) six vehicles for water and sewer services.
- Attachments:* [Resolution - Laurel MS Equipment Lease 2026 - VEHICLES](#)  
[A. Request for Proposals](#)  
[B. Proposals Recieved from Banks](#)  
[C. Form of Lease Purchase Agreement](#)  
[D. Description of Property](#)  
[E. Payment Schedule](#)  
[F. Acceptance Certificate](#)  
[G. Form of Municipal Resolution](#)  
[H. Incumbency Certificate](#)  
[I. Insurance Certificate Requirement Checklist](#)
- D. [ID 26-8353](#) Consider adopting an Order Regarding Ratification of an Emergency Order Authorizing Replacement of a Collapsed Sewer Line at Old Amy Road and Parker Drive.
- Attachments:* [EMERGENCY Order Ratify-Replace Collapsed Sewer Line Old Amy Road & Pa Exhibit A-EMERGENCY Order Ratify-Replace Collapsed Sewer Line Old Amy F](#)

- E. [ID 26-8368](#) Consider approving the First Reading of an Ordinance AMENDING THE CITY OF LAUREL CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 8.3 CEMETERIES, PROHIBITING THE BURIAL OF HUMAN REMAINS ON PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS.
- Attachments:* [ORDINANCE-First Reading, Amend Chapter 8.3 Cemeteries to Prohibit Burial c](#)
- F. [ID 26-8363](#) Consider approving the First Reading of an Ordinance to close the alley off W. 4th St. and W. 5th St. running North-South between N. 13th Ave. and N. 14th Ave.
- Attachments:* [Alley closing 1st reading W. 4th St and W. 5th St.](#)  
[Alley-06242026105055](#)
- G. [ID 26-8376](#) Consider adopting an Order to grant a Variance from Section 601.03 of the Zoning Ordinance to Harlon Matthews. Variance is being sought to use asphalt millings for parking lot.
- Attachments:* [Variance 2118 Sandy Lane](#)  
[Planning & Zoning Minutes 061126](#)
- H. [ID 26-8364](#) Consider adopting an Order authorizing the purchase of Propriety Software from Whooster, Inc. to be used in the Laurel Police Department.
- Attachments:* [ORDER - PURCHASE PROPRIETY WHOOSTER SOFTWARE FOR USAGE A EXHIBIT A.pdf](#)
- I. [ID 26-8365](#) Consider adopting an Order request that Sgt. John Windsor be allowed to purchase his service revolver for the sum of ten dollars.
- Attachments:* [SGT. JOHN WINDSOR WEAPON.doc](#)
- J. [ID 26-8372](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve in-state travel for City Clerk/Finance Director, Kristal Jones, to attend the 2026 Mississippi Main Street Revitalization Grant Recipients Implementation Workshop in Jackson, MS on July 14, 2026.
- Attachments:* [Order - Travel MMSRG Implementation Workshop 2026](#)
- K. [ID 26-8373](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve in-state travel for City Clerk/Finance Director, Kristal Jones, and AmeriCorps Program Director, Kristi Howard, to attend the 2026 AmeriCorps Grant Orientation at The Mississippi's Institute of Higher Learning-IHL in Jackson, MS on August 05-06, 2026.
- Attachments:* [Order - Travel AmeriCorps 2026 Fall Training](#)

- L. [ID 26-8374](#) Consider adopting an Order request that Deondre Dunn be allowed to attend the 46th Juvenile Justice Symposium Conference on August 5-7, 2026 in Biloxi, MS at an estimated cost of \$865.77.
- Attachments:* [46TH JUVENILE JUSTICE SYMPOSIUM HELD IN BILOXI, MS.doc](#)
- M. [ID 26-8357](#) Consider adopting an Order approving meals, registration, and hotel expenses for Field Inspector (Shikinia Kennedy Ward to attend the 2026 Mississippi Association of Code Enforcement Summer Conference in Biloxi, MS on August 11-14, 2026 at an estimated cost of \$1,140.00 and shall be paid from Inspection Department Travel, Job Training, and Meals Account (001-280-610.0
- Attachments:* [ORDER MACE Summer Conference 2026 SKW](#)
- N. [ID 26-8367](#) Consider adopting an Order to consider authorization of Laurel Police Department Officer Joseph Couch's travel to Petal, MS for the purpose of training and taking possession of a K-9.
- Attachments:* [OFFICER JOSEPH COUCH'S TRAVEL TO PURCHASE K- 9 PETAL, MS.doc](#)
- O. [ID 26-8339](#) Consider adopting an Order Regarding the Reappointment of George Carter, Jr. to the Board of Commissioners of the Laurel Housing Authority.
- Attachments:* [ORD App Housing Authority Commission Carter 2026](#)
- P. [ID 26-8340](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Regarding Reappointment of George Bassi to the Laurel Tourism Committee.
- Attachments:* [RES Reappoint Bassi Laurel Tourism Committee 7.7.26](#)
- Q. [ID 26-8338](#) Consider adopting an Order Confirming the Reappointment of Certain Members of the City's Planning Commission.
- Attachments:* [ORD App Planning Commission Group 2026](#)
- R. [ID 26-8356](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the application of Amick Farms LLC Hatchery and Mill for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [Amick Farms Hatchery -Feedmill Ad Valorem Application Order 2026](#)  
[AMICK FARMS POSITION STATEMENT 631 HAWKES RD POULTRY \(HATCHERY\)](#)  
[Amick Farms Hatchery & Mill Ad Valorem 2026](#)
- S. [ID 26-8341](#) Consider adopting An Order to approve the application of Amick Farms LLC Processing Plant for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [Amick Farms Poultry Processing Ad Valorem Application Order 2026 \(2\)](#)  
[AMICK FARMS POSITION STATEMENT 525 WAYNE DR POULTRY \(PROCESSING PLANT\)](#)  
[Amick Farms Poultry Processing Ad Valorem Application 2026](#)

- T. [ID 26-8348](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the application of Wayne-Sanderson Farms LLC Processing Plant for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [ORDER APPROVING SANDERSON FARMS INC AD VALOREM EXEMPTION](#)  
[WAYNE SANDERSON FARMS LLC AD VALOREM APPLICATION 2026](#)  
[WAYNE-SANDERSON POSITION STATEMENT 2535 SANDERSON FARMS](#)
- U. [ID 26-8350](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the application of Wayne-Sanderson Farms LLC Live Production for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [ORDER APPROVING SANDERSON FARMS INC AD VALOREM EXEMPTION](#)  
[WAYNE-SANDERSON POSITION STATEMENT 2600 WAREHOUSE DR LIVE](#)  
[WAYNE SANDERSON FARMS LLC AD VALOREM APPLICATION 2026](#)
- V. [ID 26-8349](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the application of Wayne-Sanderson Farms LLC Feed Mill for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [ORDER APPROVING SANDERSON FARMS INC AD VALOREM EXEMPTION](#)  
[WAYNE SANDERSON FARMS LLC AD VALOREM APPLICATION 2026](#)  
[WAYNE-SANDERSON POSITION STATEMENT 2600 WAREHOUSE DR FEEI](#)
- W. [ID 26-8351](#) Consider adopting an Order approving of Dunn Roadbuilders, LLC. For an Ad Valorem Tax Exemption.
- Attachments:* [ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION OF DUNN ROADBUILDERS, LLC 24 MA](#)  
[DUNN ROADBUILDERS POSITION STATEMENT 24 MANAGEMENT RD MAN](#)  
[Dunn RoadBuilders LLC Ad Valorem Tax Application for 24 Management Rd. L](#)
- X. [ID 26-8352](#) Consider adopting an Order approving of Dunn Road Builders, LLC. For an Ad Valorem Tax Exemption.
- Attachments:* [ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION OF DUNN ROADBUILDERS, LLC 59 MA](#)  
[DUNN ROADBUILDERS POSITION STATEMENT 59 MANAGEMENT RD MAN](#)  
[Dunn RoadBuilders LLC Ad Valorem Tax Application for 59 Management Rd. L](#)
- Y. [ID 26-8355](#) Consider adopting an Order approving application of Dunn Roadbuilders, LLC. For an Ad Valorem Tax Exemption.
- Attachments:* [ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION OF DUNN ROADBUILDERS, LLC 509 A](#)  
[DUNN ROADBUILDERS POSITION STATEMENT 509 AVE D MANUFACTURI](#)  
[Dunn RoadBuilders LLC Ad Valorem Tax Application for 509 Ave D Airbase, La](#)

- Z.** [ID 26-8345](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the application of Howard Industries Inc. Transformer Division for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [Howard Ind. Transformer Ad Valorem Order for Application 2026](#)  
[HOWARD IND. POSITION STATEMENT 3225 PENDORFF RD MANUFACTUF](#)  
[HOWARD INDUSTRIES, INC AD VALOREM APPLICATION 2026](#)
- A A** [ID 26-8354](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the application of Laurel Machine and Foundry Machine Shop and Mill for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [ORDER for Approving Ad Valorem LM&F Machine Mill 2026](#)  
[LAUREL MACHINE & FOUNDRY POSITION STATEMENT 611 HAWKES RD I](#)  
[Extracted pages from AD VALOREM APPLICATION - LMF 2026 \(revised\)](#)
- B B** [ID 26-8344](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the application of Laurel Machine and Foundry Downtown Shop for Ad Valorem tax exemption for a period of ten years.
- Attachments:* [ORDER for Approving Ad Valorem LM&F Downtown 2026](#)  
[LAUREL MACHINE & FOUNDRY POSITION STATEMENT 810 FRONT ST. M/](#)  
[Extracted pages from AD VALOREM APPLICATION - LMF 2026 \(revised\)](#)
- C C** [ID 26-8358](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to approve Semi-Annual Bids for FY 2026 effective July 01, 2026 - December 31, 2026.
- Attachments:* [Resolution - Semi Annual Bids](#)  
[ITEM NO. 1 - Asphalt & Asphalt Mixes](#)  
[ITEM NO. 6 - Sewer Line Maintenance](#)  
[ITEM NO. 7 - Water Line Maintenance](#)

**D D** [ID 26-8379](#)

Consider adopting an Order to approve Lot Cleaning Assessments for the following properties:

- A. Cleaning of property assessed to Ella M. Benton Est % Brenda Joyce Benton, at 1632 Lee St. Total assessed cost \$93.30 Ward 7
- B. Cleaning of property assessed to Lance Dewayne Shawshah, at Lot 1 on Capitol St. (SE of 1816 Palmer Ave.) Total assessed cost \$78.92 Ward 7
- C. Cleaning of property assessed to Lance Dewayne Shawshah, at Lot 2 on Capitol St. (SE of 1816 Palmer Ave.) Total assessed cost \$78.92 Ward 7
- D. Cleaning of property assessed to Lance Dewayne Shawshah, at Lot 3 on Capitol St. (SE of 1213 Capitol St. Total assessed cost \$70.12 Ward 7
- E. Cleaning of property assessed to Lance Dewayne Shawshah, at Lot 4 on Capitol St. (SE of 1213 Capitol St. Total assessed cost \$70.12 Ward 7
- F. Cleaning of property assessed to Jo S. Morgan Est. % Willie Matthews Jr., at Lot S. of 1227 Capitol St. Total assessed cost \$82.96 Ward 7
- G. Cleaning of property assessed to Pearline S. Anderson, at 1153 Capitol St. Total assessed cost \$71.50 Ward 7
- H. Cleaning of property assessed to Shah Trust % Theseus Legree TTEE, at 1157 Capitol St. Total assessed cost \$74.90 Ward 7

**Attachments:**[Assessments 07-07-2026](#)[Bills 7-7-26-06252026104538](#)**5. ROUTINE AGENDA**

- A. [ID 26-8375](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to approve the Claims Docket.

**Attachments:**[Claims Docket Resolution 07.07.2026](#)[WARRANT JULY 07 2026](#)[CLAIMS DOCKET JULY 07 2026](#)**EXECUTIVE SESSION**