



# City of Laurel

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

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Tuesday, January 6, 2026

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

### PRAYER

Councilperson George Carmichael

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

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. [ID 26-8100](#) December 16, 2025

Attachments: [CoL Minutes of 12162025](#)

### 1. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

### 2. PRESENTATION AGENDA

- A. [ID 26-8101](#) Monthly Budget Certification for November 2025.

Attachments: [Certification Cover Sheet - November 2025](#)  
[Certification Letter - November 2025](#)  
[Revenue - November 2025](#)  
[Sales Tax](#)  
[Tourism Tax](#)  
[Tourism Tax 3% HOTELS](#)

### 3. PUBLIC AGENDA

#### A. PUBLIC HEARING

##### 1. SET PUBLIC HEARING

##### 2. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

- A. [ID 26-8106](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to Conduct a Public Hearing on January 6, 2026 in regards to a property located at 807 S. 7th Ave., belonging to Matthew Harvey Jr., 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 807 S. 7th Ave.\(demo\)](#)  
[807 S 7TH AVE. JAN.6,2026](#)  
[R.807 S. 7th Ave-12162025105705](#)  
[P.807 S. 7th Ave-12162025105616](#)

- B. [ID 26-8108](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to Conduct a Public Hearing on January 6, 2026 in regards to a property located at 1038 Taylor St., belonging to Timothy E. Blue, 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 1038 Taylor St.\(demo\)](#)  
[1038 Taylor St. JAN.6,2026](#)  
[R.1038 Taylor St-12162025105536](#)  
[P.1038 Taylor St-12162025105515](#)

## B. CITIZENS HEARING

## C. CITIZENS FORUM

## 4. POLICY AGENDA

- A. [ID 26-8103](#) Consider adopting an Order to Consider Authorizing Application to the Mississippi State Department of Health for the Office Against Interpersonal Violence (OAIIV) STOP Violence Against Women Grant for FY25 through FY27 and Execution of Documents Necessary for Acceptance and Implementation of the Grant Should It Be Awarded.

Attachments: [ORDAuthorizeApplicationVictimsAdvocateGrant2025-27 1.6.26](#)

- B. [ID 26-8105](#) Consider adopting an Order authorizing the Mayor to enter into a temporary independent contractor agreement with Sheila Windham to provide payroll training support for the City of Laurel.

Attachments: [ORDER FOR PAYROLL TRAINING SERVICES](#)  
[Scope of services - Training Consultant - S. Windham](#)

- C. [ID 26-8104](#) Consider adopting an Order approving travel for the Human Resources Director, Payroll Technician, Human Resources Assistant, and Finance Director/City Clerk to attend mandatory employer training hosted by the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) related to implementation of the Hybrid Retirement Plan - Tier 5. The training will be held on January 13, 2026, in Jackson, Mississippi.

Attachments: [Mandatory PERS Employer Training - Hybrid Retirement Plan Tier 5 Announcer ORDER FOR TRAVEL - MANDATORY PERS TIER 5 TRAINING](#)

- D. [ID 26-8102](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve out-of-state travel for City Clerk, Kristal Jones and Program Director, Kristi Howard to attend the 2026 AmeriCorps National Service Training Conference on April 13-17, 2026 at Renaissance Dallas-Addison Hotel in Addison, TX.

Attachments: [Order - Travel AmeriCorps 2026 Dallas, TX](#)

- E. [ID 26-8109](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve Lot Cleaning Assessments for the following properties:

- A. Cleaning of property assessed to Karl L. Hardy, at 804 S. 19th Ave. Total assessed cost \$121.83 Ward 1
- B. Cleaning of property assessed to Eclipse17 LLC, at 1830 Lee St. Total assessed cost \$95.35 Ward 1
- C. Cleaning of property assessed to Janet Lee Claxton- Sutherlin Est. at 636 W. 29th St. Total assessed cost \$106.60 Ward 3
- D. Cleaning of property assessed to Ganesha Tax Investments at 2813 N. 7th Ave. Total assessed cost \$124.77 Ward 3
- E. Cleaning of property assessed to Paro G. Ducksworth at 117 W. 22nd St. Total assessed cost \$73.90 Ward 4
- F. Cleaning of property assessed to Shanique Charleston at 143 W. 19th St. Total assessed cost \$78.75 Ward 4
- G. Cleaning of property assessed to Omeria McDonald Scott at Lot W. of 523 E. 14th St. Total assessed cost \$98.75 Ward 4
- H. Cleaning of property assessed to Ruth Moore Est % Shelia F. Husband at 1631 Dr. Deborrah Hyde Ave N. Total assessed cost \$102.96 Ward 4

Attachments: [Assessments 1-6-2026](#)  
[Bills 1-6-26-12302025084357](#)

## 5. ROUTINE AGENDA

- A. [ID 26-8107](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to approve the Claims Docket.

Attachments:

[Claims Docket Resolution 01.06.2026](#)

[WARRANT JANUARY 06 2026](#)

[CLAIMS DOCKET JANUARY 06 2026](#)

EXECUTIVE SESSION