

**City of Laurel**  
**Planning & Zoning Meeting**  
**Thursday June 11, 2026**

**Members Present:** Satish Amin, Chloe Davis, Patricia Jordan Cook, Sheila Hennis, Caroline Burks, Shelly Allen, Brad Kent, Zane Lambert

**Staff Present:** Andria Osborne

**Members Absent:** Susan Vincent, John Wallace, Cecil Ashford, Lisa Cochran, Lee Donaldson Jr.

**Call to Order:** Satish Amin, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber Room of Laurel City Hall.

**Approval of Agenda and Reading of Last Minutes:** Satish Amin asked for a motion for the approval of the agenda. A motion was made for the agenda to be approved with no changes and the approval for the reading of the last minutes by Brad Kent and seconded by Sheila Hennis. The motion carried with no objections.

**PUBLIC HEARING COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 5:30 P.M.**

\*A quorum was present

**AGENDA TOPICS**

**June Meeting**

1. **Short Term Rental Petition Docket No. STR 26-04, styled Cal Callen, 518 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St. Laurel, MS 39440** requesting short term rental to be located at 520 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St. Laurel, MS 39440 (Dragonfly Inn) Number of units 1, number of sleeping rooms 3, maximum occupancy 10, and number of parking spaces 2.

**Discussion:** Cal and Janet Callen was present to speak for the short-term rental request. No one was present to speak against the short-term rental request.

**Motion:** Motion to grant operation of short-term rental request was made by Brad Kent, and seconded by Zane Lambert.

**Verdict: All members in favor. Motion passed.**

2. **Zoning Variance Docket No. V 26-02, styled Harlon Matthews 2118 Sandy Ln. Laurel, MS 39440,** requesting a Variance to use asphalt millings as an all-weather surface at the property described below:

25-9-12 A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NW OF SE(City of Laurel/Jones County Parcel No. 134F-25-03-005.04 PPIN 44769. Also known as 2118 Sandy Lane.

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Property is located in Ward 2, zoned C-3, Heavy Commercial District which does not permit requested use.

**Discussion:** Michael McKinnon was present to speak for the Zoning Variance request. Harlon Matthews Jr. is asking the committee to allow him to use asphalt milling as an all-weather surface for back parking at his business located at 2118 Sandy Lane. The parking will be used by employees only. No one was present to speak against the Zoning Variance request.

**Motion:** Motion to approve Zoning Variance request was made by Zane Lambert and seconded by Brad Kent.

**Verdict: All members in favor. Motion passed.**

3. **Short Term Rental Petition Docket No. STR 26-05, styled Front Street Ventures,** 1437 Wansley Rd. Laurel, MS 39440 requesting short term rental to be located at 318 Front St. Laurel, MS 39440 (The Laurel Room) Number of units 1, number of sleeping rooms 1, maximum occupancy 4, and number of parking spaces 2.
  
4. **Short Term Rental Petition Docket No. STR 26-06, styled Front Street Ventures,** 1437 Wansley Rd Laurel, MS 39440 requesting short term rental to be located at 318 Front St. Laurel, MS 39440 (The Birmingham Room) Number of units 1, number of sleeping rooms 1, maximum occupancy 2, and number of parking spaces 2.
  
5. **Short Term Rental Petition Docket No. STR 26-07, styled Front Street Ventures,** 1437 Wansley Rd. Laurel, MS 39440 requesting short term rental to be located at 318 Front St. Laurel, MS 39440 (The New York Room) Number of units 1, number of sleeping rooms 1, maximum occupancy 4, and number of parking spaces 2.
  
6. **Short Term Rental Petition Docket No. STR 26-08, styled Front Street Ventures,** 1437 Wansley Rd. Laurel, MS 39440 requesting short term rental to be located at 318 Front St. Laurel, MS 39440 (The New Orleans Room) Number of units 1, number of sleeping rooms 1, maximum occupancy 2, and number of parking spaces 2.

**Discussion:** No one was present to speak for the short-term rental request. No one was present to speak against the short-term rental request.

**Motion:** Motion to grant operation of short-term rental request was made by Shelia Hennis and seconded by Brad Kent.

**Verdict: All members in favor. Motion passed.**

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

being no other matters before the Commission

Chairperson Caroline Burks motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Brad Kent seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 5:44 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

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Superintendent of Inspection

Minutes approved by:

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Chairperson