



City of Laurel

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

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

Councilperson Andrea Ellis

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. [ID 24-7409](#) September 17, 2024

Attachments: [CoL Minutes of 09172024](#)

1. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

2. PRESENTATION AGENDA

- A. [ID 24-7419](#) Monthly Budget Certification for August 2024.

Attachments: [Budget Certification Cover Sheet](#)
[Certification Letter - August 2024](#)
[Revenue - August 2024](#)
[Sales Tax - August 2024](#)
[Tourism Tax - August 2024](#)
[Tourism Tax 3% HOTELS - August 2024](#)

3. PUBLIC AGENDA

A. PUBLIC HEARING

1. SET PUBLIC HEARING

- A. [ID 24-7426](#) Consider adopting an Order to set a date of November 5, 2024 to conduct a public hearing in regards to the property listed to determine whether or not the property is in such a state of dilapidation so as to be a menace to the public health of the community.

A. Kennedit Maldonado Ramirez & Yulia Ruiz Juarez, dilapidated structure at 204 N. 17th Ave. PPIN 9179 Ward 1

Attachments: [Sets 11-05-24](#)
[Notice 11-5-24-09252024143906](#)

2. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

B. CITIZENS HEARING

C. CITIZENS FORUM

4. POLICY AGENDA

- A. [ID 24-7410](#) Consider adopting a Resolution giving the administration authority to accept close-out documents and approve Summary Change Order No. 1 for the Brown Street Drainage and Access Road Project.

Attachments: [Resolution](#)
[Close out Packet](#)

- B. [ID 24-7428](#) Consider adopting a Resolution granting authority to close out the Massey and Smyly WWTP Grating and Handrail Replacement Project.

Attachments: [Resolution](#)
[Closeout Packet](#)

- C. [ID 24-7430](#) Consider adopting an Order Authorizing the City of Laurel to Utilize Tourism Funds to Reimburse the Economic Development Authority of Jones County for Lease of a Billboard to Promote Tourism in Laurel.

Attachments: [ORDAuthorizeReimbursementtoEDAforTourismBillboard10.8.24](#)

- D. [ID 24-7431](#) Consider adopting an Order to purchase a full block ad in the commemorative poster schedule for the 2024-2025 Laurel High Basketball season.

Attachments: [ORDER APPROVING PURCHASE OF LHS BASKETBALL AD](#)
[Laurel Basketball Booster Club](#)

- E. [ID 24-7411](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the publication of the Solid Waste Revenue and Expenditures Report for Fiscal Year 2024.
- Attachments:* [Order - Solid Waste Rev & Exp](#)
[Solid Waste Revenue & Expense September 2024](#)
- F. [ID 24-7415](#) Consider adopting a Resolution approving the annual budgeted appropriations.
- Attachments:* [Resolution - Monthly Appropriations FY 2025](#)
- G. [ID 24-7416](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve the Tourism Tax transfer to the Magnolia Center for Fiscal Year 2024.
- Attachments:* [Order - Magnolia Center Appropriation](#)
- H. [ID 24-7427](#) Consider hearing the First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 8 Employee Compensation, Section 8-1 (A) Regular Pay Procedures of the City of Laurel's Personnel Rules & Regulations Handbook.
- Attachments:* [ORDINANCEAmendPersonnelRegulationsRegularPayProceduresFirstReading](#)
- I. [ID 24-7417](#) Consider approving the First Reading of an Ordinance to close a portion of an alley between S. Magnolia St and Ellisville Blvd., running south about 83 feet beginning at Royal St.
- Attachments:* [First Reading Closing Portion of Alley off Royal St](#)
[DOC092424-09242024081335](#)
- J. [ID 24-7423](#) Consider adopting an Order granting a variance, which establishes the setback requirements in an R3 zoning to Brady and Brady, LLC (Richard G. Brady). Variance sought to build a warehouse. Property is located at the rear of 503 S Magnolia St.in Ward 6.
- Attachments:* [ORDER Variance Brady Electric](#)
[Planning & Zoning Minutes 091224](#)
- K. [ID 24-7421](#) Consider adopting an Order to grant a one-year Special Exception to William Carmichael to allow operation of a short-term rental with two separate units under one structure to be located at 727 N. 5th Ave. Property is zoned R-1, Low Density Residential District and located in Ward 5.
- Attachments:* [Order Special Exception William Carmichael](#)
[Minutes-09252024162203](#)

- L. [ID 24-7429](#) Consider adopting an Order to Authorize City of Laurel Application for Fiscal Year 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant, A Public Hearing at 9:00 AM November 19, 2024 and Notice of Said Public Hearing.

Attachments: [RES-AUTHORIZE APPLICATION, PUBLIC HEARING & NOTICE OF PUBLIC H](#)
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- M. [ID 24-7424](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve reimbursement of travel expenses to the LPD Investigator Secretary for travel to the MS Office Highway Safety FY 2025 Grant Implementation Meeting.

Attachments: [TRAVEL TO THE MS OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY](#)

- N. [ID 24-7425](#) Consider adopting an Order request the Laurel Police Department be allowed to apply for the 2024 Office Against Interpersonal Violence (OAIV) Grant in the amount of \$63,172.80.

Attachments: [Office Against Interpersonal Violence \(OAIV\) Grant 2024 ---](#)

- O. [ID 24-7412](#) Consider adopting a Resolution accepting the Municipal Compliance Questionnaire for FY 2024.

Attachments: [Resolution - Municipal Compliance Questionnaire](#)
[Municipal Compliance Questionnaire](#)
[ADDRESS LISTING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS 2024-25](#)

- P. [ID 24-7413](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve advertisement for sealed bids to be publicly opened Thursday, November 07, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the City Clerk's Office for Fiscal Year 2025 Semi-Annual and Annual Bids.

Attachments: [Order - Annual Bids 2025](#)
[Notice to Bidders FY 2025](#)

- Q. [ID 24-7414](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve advertisement for sealed bids to be publicly opened on Friday, November 15, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the City Clerk's Office for Property, Machinery, and Equipment/ Boiler Insurance.

Attachments: [Order - Advertise for Property Insurance](#)
[Notice to Bidders 2024-2025](#)
[Property Insurance Bid Form](#)

- R. [ID 24-7422](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve Demolition Assessments for the following properties:
- A. Demolition of property assessed to Debra G. & Randy Ed Williamson, 3611 Audubon Dr. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26.00 recording fee, \$5, 576.00 Ward 3
 - B. Demolition of property assessed to Francis Schlaff, 318 E. 18th St. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26 recording fee \$9, 975.00 Ward 4
 - C. Demolition of property assessed to S Lavon Evans Jr. Realty LLC, 746 E. Elmo St. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26 recording fee \$6, 076.00 Ward 4
 - D. Demolition of property assessed to S Lavon Evans Jr. Realty LLC, 1637 Mississippi Ave. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26 recording fee \$5, 066.00 Ward 4
 - E. Demolition of property assessed to Jimmie L. Smith Sr. Et Ux, 2223 N. 3rd Ave. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26 recording fee \$ 5, 071.00 Ward 4
 - F. Demolition of property assessed to Gery Marcombe, 1025 N. 1st Ave. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26 recording fee \$ 5, 056.00 Ward 5
 - G. Demolition of property assessed to Mota Ada Karina Mendez Et Vir, 2007 Airport Dr. Total cost including \$50 administrative fee \$26 recording fee \$5, 066.00 Ward7

Attachments: [Demo Assessments 100824](#)
[Demo Bills-09252024141820](#)

- S. [ID 24-7433](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Giving the Administration Authority to Execute a Professional Services Agreement for the Design of the 2023 RAISE Grant Project, Completing Downtown Laurel.

Attachments: [RESAuthorizeProfessionalServicesAgreementNeelSchafferRAISEGrantProject1](#)

5. ROUTINE AGENDA

- A. [ID 24-7418](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to approve the Claims Docket.

Attachments: [CLAIMS DOCKET RESOLUTION ONLY](#)
[WARRANT OCTOBER 08 2024](#)
[CLAIMS DOCKET OCTOBER 10 2024](#)

EXECUTIVE SESSION