

**ORDER**  
**TO APPROVE TOURISM TAX TRANSFER TO**  
**THE MAGNOLIA CENTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025**

**WHEREAS**, the Magnolia Center is entitled to 1/3 of the second penny tourism tax for the City of Laurel; and

**WHEREAS**, each September, after the last tourism tax of the fiscal year has been received and after the bond payment has been made, the City of Laurel calculates the amount of their portion (1/3) of the second penny tourism tax; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Mississippi Fair Commission has pledged its portion of the tourism tax for repayment of a loan at Community Bank; the City of Laurel will issue a check for the tourism tax, made out to the South Mississippi Fair Commission and deposited at Community Bank.

**THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED**, that the City Council authorizes the Finance Director to issue a check for the Magnolia Center's portion of the tourism tax in the amount of \$380,070.72 out of the Tourism Tax Fund 204 (204-804-703.0).

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Finance Director is directed to make all necessary budget amendments, in order to ensure that the funds stay in a positive cash balance.

**SO ORDERED** this the 07<sup>th</sup> of October, 2025. Motion was made by Councilperson Capers and seconded by Councilperson Scruggs for the adoption of the above and foregoing Order.

Upon roll call vote the results was as follows:

YEAS: Capers, Kelly, Scruggs, Carmichael, Thomas, Amos, Allen

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The President thereupon declared the motion carried and the Order adopted this the 07<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D., 2025.

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PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

ATTESTED AND SUBMITTED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL ON  
OCTOBER \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

APPROVED ( ) DATE\_\_\_\_\_

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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