



# City of Laurel

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

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Tuesday, February 4, 2025

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

### PRAYER

Councilperson Grace Amos

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

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. [ID 25-7606](#) January 21, 2025

*Attachments:* [CoL Minutes of 01232025](#)

### 1. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

### 2. PRESENTATION AGENDA

- A. [ID 25-7576](#) Proclamation Recognizing February 14, 2025 as Arbor Day in the City of Laurel.

*Attachments:* [Proclamation-Arbor Day 2025](#)

- B. [ID 25-7615](#) Monthly Budget Certification for December 2024.

*Attachments:* [Certification Cover Sheet - December 2024](#)

[Certification Letter - December 2024](#)

[Revenue - December 2024](#)

[Sales Tax - December 2024](#)

[Tourism Tax - December 2024](#)

[Tourism Tax 3% HOTELS - December 2024](#)

### 3. PUBLIC AGENDA

#### A. PUBLIC HEARING

##### 1. SET PUBLIC HEARING

## 2. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

## B. CITIZENS HEARING

## C. CITIZENS FORUM

## 4. POLICY AGENDA

- A. [ID 25-7609](#) Consider adopting a Resolution giving the administration authority to approve professional services contract for the FY 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program.

*Attachments:* [Resolution](#)  
[Professional Services Agreement](#)

- B. [ID 25-7601](#) Consider adopting an Order Authorizing the Repair of Water Well #6 and Accepting the Quotes from National Water Services for Repairs.

*Attachments:* [ORDAuthorizeRepairWaterWell#6 2.4.25](#)  
[ORDAuthorizeRepairWaterWell#6 Exhibit A 2.4.25](#)

- C. [ID 25-7617](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Authorizing Mayor Johnny Magee to Sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Jones County Board of Supervisors and Jones-O'Gary Development.

*Attachments:* [RESAuthorizeMOUJones-O'GaryDevelopmentProject2.4.25](#)  
[RESAuthorizeMOUJones-O'GaryDevelopmentProject2.4.25.ExhibitA](#)

- D. [ID 25-7616](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to authorize and approve execution of an Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement with Trustmark National Bank for the purpose of lease-purchasing certain equipment, being two (2) 2025 Peterbilt 548 RLX25 Garbage Trucks.

*Attachments:* [Laurel MS Equipment Lease \(2025\) \(203366\) - Lease Resolution \(2.4.25\)](#)  
[Notice - Financing Garbage Truck](#)  
[Quote - Interest Rate Tabulation](#)  
[Quote - Interest Rate from Banks](#)  
[Form of Lease - Laurel MS Equipment Lease Purchase \(Butler Snow Comment:](#)

- E. [ID 25-7608](#) Consider approving the Second Reading of an An Ordinance Of The City Of Laurel, Mississippi Prohibiting The Use, Purchase, Possession, Distribution, Sale Or Offering For Sale Of Synthetic Cocaine, Other Synthetic Products, Or Kratom.

*Attachments:* [ORDINANCE Second Reading Prohibiting Kratom](#)

- F. [ID 25-7583](#) Consider approving the Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 8 - Elections, Article II - Voting Wards, Section 8-17 -Polling Places Designated to Reflect the Change of the Polling Place for Ward 7 from the Oak Park Field House to the Oak Park Alumni Building.
- Attachments:* [ORDINANCEAmendingVotingPlacesSecondReadingFebruary2025](#)
- G. [ID 25-7613](#) Consider approving the Second Reading of an Ordinance to grant a zoning change of property located at 2703 Ellisville Boulevard, from I-2, Light Industrial District to C-2, General Commercial District, to Alfredo Sandoval, due to a change in character of the neighborhood. Property is located in Ward 7.
- Attachments:* [2nd Reading Zoning Change Ordinance 2703 Ellisville Blvd.](#)
- H. [ID 25-7605](#) Consider adopting an Order Confirming the Appointment of Mr. John Thaxton as Ward 2 Representative to the Civil Service Commission.
- Attachments:* [ORDAppCivilServiceCommissionJohnThaxton.2.4.25](#)  
[ORDAppointJohnThaxtonCivilServiceCommission.ExhibitA2.4.25](#)
- I. [ID 25-7603](#) Consider adopting an Order Approving Travel Expenses for Mayor Johnny Magee to Attend the Annual Affordable Housing Conference Sponsored by the Mississippi Home Corporation April 2-4, 2025 in Biloxi, MS.
- Attachments:* [ORDTravHousingAffordableConferenceApril2025](#)
- J. [ID 25-7602](#) Consider adopting an Order to accept bid on Surplus Properties PPIN #15245 & #15246 that are to be sold together.
- Attachments:* [ORDER to Accept Bid on Surplus Property 15245 15246 Eli Valadez Sr.](#)  
[Eli Valadez Bid](#)
- K. [ID 25-7604](#) Consider adopting an Order Authorizing Acceptance of Monetary Donation to be Used for the Purchase of a K9 Officer for the Laurel Police Department.
- Attachments:* [ORDAcceptMonetaryDonationtoLPDforK9Purchase2.4.25](#)
- L. [ID 25-7612](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Authorizing Corrective Action Regarding a Tax Assessment for a Demolition at 620 Sandy T. Gavin Ave. Property is located in Ward 6.
- Attachments:* [Resolution- Corrective Action for Demo at 618 Sandy T. Gavin Ave.](#)

- M. [ID 25-7611](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve Demolition Assessments on the following properties:
- A. Demolition of property assessed to Willie Bilbrew, 1020 N. 12th Ave. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26.00 recording fee, \$5, 066.00 Ward 2
  - B. Demolition of property assessed to Robert Cooley, 324 Jefferson Ave. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26.00 recording fee, \$5, 071.00 Ward 5
  - C. Demolition of property assessed to Maderia Bingham, 825 S. Magnolia St. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26.00 recording fee, \$4, 871.00 Ward 7
  - D. Demolition of property assessed to United Missionary Baptist Church, 1117 Hayes St. Total cost, including \$50 administrative fee, \$26.00 recording fee, \$4, 846.00 Ward 7

*Attachments:* [Demo Assessments 020425](#)  
[Demo Bills 2-4-25-01282025083056](#)

## 5. ROUTINE AGENDA

- A. [ID 25-7614](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to approve the Claims Docket.

*Attachments:* [RESOLUTION](#)  
[WARRANT](#)  
[CLAIMS DOCKET](#)

## EXECUTIVE SESSION