



City of Laurel

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

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

Councilperson Shirley Jordan

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. [ID 24-7135](#) April 2, 2024

Attachments: [CoL Minutes of 04022024](#)

1. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

2. PRESENTATION AGENDA

- A. [ID 24-7122](#) Monthly Report of Privilege Taxes for March 2024.

Attachments: [Cover Letter for Monthly Business License](#)
[BL Monthly Transaction Report - 6726](#)
[New Business License List](#)

- B. [ID 24-7129](#) Monthly Budget Certification for the month of March 2024.

Attachments: [CERTIFICATION FY24](#)
[SALESTAX 2024](#)
[TOURISMTAX 2024](#)
[TOURISMTAX 2024 NEW](#)
[REVENUE FY2024](#)

3. PUBLIC AGENDA

A. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. [ID 24-7097](#) Recess meeting to conduct a public hearing to allow input regarding the City's intent to apply to the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks for a Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant under the Outdoor Recreation Program for a project at Mason Park.

1. SET PUBLIC HEARING

- A. [ID 24-7128](#) Consider adopting an Order to Authorize a Public Hearing and Publication of Notice Thereof Regarding the City of Laurel's Application for a FY22 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the Purchase of Two K9s.

Attachments:

[RESAuthorizeApplication&PublicHearingBJAFY22GrantforK9.4.16.24](#)

[RESAuthorizeApplication&PublicHearingBJAFY22GrantforK9.4.16.24.ExhibitA](#)

[RESAuthorizeApplication&PublicHearingBJAFY22GrantforK9.4.16.24.ExhibitB](#)

2. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

B. CITIZENS HEARING

C. CITIZENS FORUM

4. POLICY AGENDA

- A. [ID 24-7134](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Laurel, Mississippi, Approving The Form Of And Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of The Regional Economic Development Act Agreement (Jones Works Project); And For Related Purposes.

Attachments:

[Jones County MS REDA \(Jones Works Project\) \(2024\)\(247270\) - City \(Laurel\) F](#)

[Jones County MS \(Jones Works REDA Project\) \(2022\) \(233430\) - REDA Agree](#)

- B. [ID 24-7133](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Declaring The Intention Of The Mayor And The City Council Of The City Of Laurel, Mississippi, To Issue General Obligation Bonds Of The City And/Or, Issue A General Obligation Bond Of The City For Sale To The Mississippi Development Bank And/Or Enter Into A Loan With The Mississippi Development Bank, All In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) To Raise Money For The Purpose Of (I) Constructing, Maintaining, Reconstructing, Improving, And Repairing Roads And Streets And Acquiring Rights-Of-Way Therefore If Necessary; (Ii) Erecting, Repairing, Improving, Extending Or Maintaining Waterworks Or Water Distribution Systems, And Repairing, Improving And Extending The Same; (Iii) Establishing Erecting, Repairing, Improving, Extending Or Maintaining Sanitary, Storm, Drainage Or Sewerage Systems; (Iv) Constructing, Maintaining, Reconstructing, Improving, And Repairing Bridges And Culverts; And (V) For Other Authorized Purposes Under Mississippi Code Of 1972 Sections 21-33-301 Et Seq., And Sections 31-25-1 Et Seq., As Amended And Supplemented From Time To Time, Including Funding Capitalized Interest, If Applicable And Paying The Costs Of Borrowing; Directing The Publication Of A Notice Of Such Intention; And For Related Purposes.-----

Attachments:

[City of Laurel, MS GO Bonds \(2024\) \(247214\) - Intent Resolution](#)

- C. [ID 24-7132](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Authorizing The Employment Of Certain Professionals In Connection With The Sale And Issuance By The City Of Laurel, Mississippi Of Either General Obligation Bonds Of Said City Or A General Obligation Bond Of Said City For Sale To The Mississippi Development Bank Or The Execution And Delivery Of The Documents Necessary To Secure A Loan With The Mississippi Development Bank, All In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000); And For Related Purposes.

Attachments:

[City of Laurel MS GO Bonds \(2024\) \(247214\) - Engagement Resolution](#)

[City of Laurel, MS GO Bonds \(2024\) \(247214\) - Engagement Letter](#)

[Laurel \(MDB\) GO - Cap Imp Bonds \(2024\) - City MA \(IRMA\) Disclosure Eng Ltr](#)

- D. [ID 24-7118](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to Establish the Position of Prosecutor Pro Tem for the City of Laurel's Municipal Court and Setting Compensation for Said Position.

Attachments:

[RESAuthorizeEstablishmentofProsecutorProTem4.16.24](#)

- E. [ID 24-7119](#) Consider adopting a Resolution Regarding the Appointment of Aaron W. Parker as City Prosecutor Pro Tem for the City of Laurel.

Attachments:

[RESMunicipalCourtConfirmProsecutorProTemParker2024](#)

[RESMunicipalCourtConfirmProsecutorProTemParker2024.ExhibitA](#)

- F. [ID 24-7121](#) Consider adopting an Order to Accept A Bid for Two New Replacement Generators for the Water/Sewer Department.
- Attachments:* [ORDAcceptBidReplacementGeneratorsWaterSewer4.16.24](#)
[ORDAcceptBidReplacementGeneratorsWaterSewer4.16.24.ExhibitA](#)
- G. [ID 24-7126](#) Consider adopting an Order Authorizing the Public Works Department to Pave an Alley Using Asphalt Provided by Jones County Board of Supervisors.
- Attachments:* [ORDAuthorizePavingAlleyUsingAsphaltProvidedbyJonesCountyBOS4.16.24](#)
- H. [ID 24-7123](#) Consider approving the Second Reading of an Ordinance to close the alley between Anderson St and Simmons St running west from Palmer Ave to Pearson St about 500 feet.
- Attachments:* [2nd Reading Closing Alley between Palmer and Pearson](#)
[Map of Alley between Anderson St and Simmons St](#)
- I. [ID 24-7120](#) Consider adopting an Order approving meals, registration and hotel expenses for the Superintendent of Inspection, Sandra Hadley, to attend the Association of Floodplain Managers of Mississippi 2024 Spring Conference held in Natchez, MS on May 14-16, 2024 at an estimated cost of \$800.
- Attachments:* [ORDER conference FLOODPLAIN](#)
- J. [ID 24-7130](#) Consider adopting an Order approving travel to Spring Municipal Clerks Certification in Ridgeland, MS for the Chief Deputy City Clerk on April 23-26, 2024.
- Attachments:* [order - travel ridgeland 4-2024](#)
- K. [ID 24-7127](#) Consider adopting an Order to approve lot cleaning assessments for the following properties:
- A. Cleaning of property assessed to Charles L. Harris at 116 Pine St. Total assessed cost \$90.00 Ward 5
 - B. Cleaning of property assessed to Sam Corriere Est % John Corriere at 118 Bay St. Total assessed cost \$90.00 Ward 5
 - C. Cleaning of property assessed to Willie Charles Reed & Laura Benny at 121 Kingston St. Total assessed cost \$155.00 Ward 5
 - D. Cleaning of property assessed to Omeria McDonald Scott at 1209 N. 4th Ave. Total assessed cost \$130.00 Ward 5
 - E. Cleaning of property assessed to Hwy 84 Travel Center LLC at Lot E. of 1304 Chantilly St. Total assessed cost \$230.00 Ward 5
- Attachments:* [Assessments 4-16-2024](#)
[Bills 4-16-04092024091351](#)

5. ROUTINE AGENDA

- A. [ID 24-7125](#) Consider adopting an Order to ratify approval of notice of May 9, 2024 for a Planning Commission public hearing meeting.
- Attachments: [ORDER planning commission 050924](#)
- B. [ID 24-7124](#) Consider adopting an Order to ratify approval of the notice of May 14, 2024 for a Historic Commission public hearing meeting.
- Attachments: [Order Historic Preservation 051424](#)
- C. [ID 24-7131](#) Consider adopting a Resolution to approve the Claims Docket.
- Attachments: [CLAIMS DOCKET RESOLUTION ONLY](#)
[WARRANT APRIL 16 2024](#)
[CLAIMS DOCKET APRIL 16 2024](#)

EXECUTIVE SESSION