

ORDER
(Regarding a Special Election to Fill the Unexpired Term of
Ward 6 Councilman)

WHEREAS, a vacancy occurred on January 6, 2020, in the office of City of Laurel Councilman for Ward 6, when the councilman serving in that position was elected to another office (See Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, Miss. Code dictates that when a vacancy occurs in an elective municipal office, and the unexpired term exceeds six (6) months, the governing authorities must enter an order on the official minutes requiring an election to be held in the municipality to fill the vacancy and fixing a date upon which such election will be held; and

WHEREAS, Miss. Code also dictates that this order must be entered at the next regular meeting of the governing authorities after the occurrence of the vacancy or at a special meeting to be held not later than ten (10) business days after the occurrence of the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Miss. Code dictates that the order must set the election on a date not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the date on which the order is adopted; and

WHEREAS, the qualifying deadline is 20 days prior to the date of the special election which in this instance places the qualifying deadline as Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 5:00 PM;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the governing authorities of the City of Laurel, MS, that the Special Election to fill the unexpired term of Ward 6 councilman will be held on February 11, 2020, which is thirty-five days after the date of the order. If needed, a run-off election will be held on March 3, being three (3) weeks after the Special Election.

Motion was made by Councilperson S. Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Page, that the above and foregoing Order be adopted.

Upon roll call vote, the result was as follows:

YEAS: Capers, Wheat, Thaxton, Carmichael, S. Comegys, Page

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The President thereupon declared the motion carried and the Order adopted this the 7th day of **JANUARY**, A.D. 2020.

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

ATTESTED AND SUBMITTED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL ON

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Clerk of the Council

APPROVED () DATE _____

VETOED () DATE _____

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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