



# City of Laurel

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

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Tuesday, April 3, 2018

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

**Present:** 7 - Councilperson Jason Capers, Councilperson Tony Wheat, Vice President Tony Thaxton, Council President George Carmichael, Councilperson Travares Comegys, Councilperson Stacy Comegys and Councilperson Anthony Page

**Staff:** 2 - Mayor Johnny Magee and City Council Clerk Sharon King

**Staff Absent:** 2 - City Attorney Deidra Bassi and Deputy Council Clerk Judith Denham

### PRAYER

Councilman Jason Capers

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

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. [ID 18-2968](#)

March 20, 2018

Attachments: [CoL Minutes of 032018](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Travares Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the Minutes be approved. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

### 1. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, that the be that the agenda be amended as follows. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Add Agenda Item 4L., Consider adopting an Order accepting payment for services render on March 3, 2018 for chemical spill by the Laurel Fire Department.**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

### 2. PRESENTATION AGENDA

### 3. PUBLIC AGENDA

#### A. PUBLIC HEARING

##### 1. SET PUBLIC HEARING

##### 2. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

**A motion was made by Councilperson Travares Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, to conduct a public hearing. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

A. [ID 18-2974](#)

Consider adopting a Resolution to conduct a public hearing on April 3, 2018 in regard to the property at 1618 Martin Luther King, which is owned by Joe Richard Alridge, to determine whether or not the property is in such a state of uncleanliness so as to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community. This property contains a dilapidated structure. WARD 4

**Attachments:** [PROPERTIESTOBECONSIDEREDINPUBLICHEARINGONAPRIL3  
backuptoalridge](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Travares Comegys, seconded by Council President George Carmichael, that the Resolution be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

## B. CITIZENS HEARING

## C. CITIZENS FORUM

## 4. POLICY AGENDA

A. [ID 18-2972](#)

Consider adopting an Order requesting that the Laurel Police Department be allowed to accept a monetary contribution of \$10.00 from Charles W. Brown.

**Attachments:** [Order PDDonationCharlesBrownMarch2018](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

B. [ID 18-2969](#)

Consider adopting an Order authorizing sponsorship of Business and Industry Golf Scramble hosted by the Economic Development Authority of Jones County

**Attachments:** [ORDSponsorEDABusinessAndIndustryGolfScramble2018.doc](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

C. [ID 18-2977](#)

Consider adopting an Order authorizing donation to the Summer Reading Program of the Laurel-Jones County Library.

**Attachments:** [ORDAuthorizeDonationLaurelJonesCountyLibrary2018.doc](#)  
[ORDAuthorizeDonationLaurelJonesCountyLibrarySummerReading2018ExhibitALTR.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Travares Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

D. [ID 18-2973](#)

Consider adopting a Resolution authorizing the Administration to enter into a contract for the purchase of a fire ladder truck.

**Attachments:** [resolution - fire ladder truck](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Travares Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the Resolution be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**E.** [ID 18-2971](#)

Consider adopting an Order allowing Tamesha Gray, Administrative Assistant for the Laurel Fire Department, to attend Emergency Services Administrative Professionals Conference in Natchez, MS, May 2-4, 2018.

**Attachments:** [COUNCIL ORDER- ESAP\(TAMESHA GRAY\)](#)  
[ESAP 3-22-2018](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**F.** [ID 18-2978](#)

Consider adopting an Order authorizing the City of Laurel to release two payments to Schneider Electric.

**Attachments:** [order - Schneider Invoices 1 2](#)  
[City of Laurel- Invoice #003 \(002\)](#)  
[City of Laurel- Invoice #004](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Travares Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**G.** [ID 18-2976](#)

Consider adopting the First Reading of an Ordinance establishing W. 12th Street from 3rd Avenue to 5th Avenue as a two-way traffic street.

**Attachments:** [ORDINANCEtoestablish12thstreetastwoway2018](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Tony Wheat, that the Ordinance be approved on first reading. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**H.** [ID 18-2980](#)

Consider adopting an Order to approve certain budget amendments to the FY 2018 budget.

**Attachments:** [Budget Amendment Order 4/03/2018](#)  
[Budget Amendment List 4/03/2018](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Tony Wheat, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**I.** [ID 18-2979](#)

Consider adopting an Order approving application of Mid-South Industries, Inc. for renewal of Tax exemption on Freeport Warehouse.

**Attachments:** [Freeport Warehouse Order Mid-South 2018](#)  
[Freeport Warehouse Application Mid-south 2018](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**J. [ID 18-2983](#)**

Consider adopting an Order approving the application of Masonite Corporation for renewal of Tax Exemption of Freeport Warehouse inventory.

**Attachments:** [Freeport Warehouse Order 2018 Masonite](#)  
[2018 Application for Freeport Warehouse Masonite](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Travares Comegys, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**K. [ID 18-2975](#)**

Consider adopting an Order to approve lot cleaning assessments on the following properties:

A. Cleaning of property belonging to Selvin Cox, located at 2263 Palmer Avenue  
Total Cost including \$75 administrative fee \$220 WD 7

**Attachments:** [lotcleaningassessmentforapril32018](#)  
[backuptoapril3assessment20180326\\_09250856](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Capers, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Comegys, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**L. [ID 18-2985](#)**

Consider adopting an Order accepting payment for services rendered on March 3, 2018 for chemical spill by the Laurel Fire Department.

**Attachments:** [Laurel Fire Department Chemical Spill-Order](#)  
[Chemical Spill Check](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Tony Wheat, seconded by Councilperson Travares Comegys, that the Order be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**5. ROUTINE AGENDA****A. [ID 18-2981](#)**

Consider adopting a Resolution to approve the claims docket.

**Attachments:** [CLAIMS DOCKET RESOLUTION ONLY](#)  
[WARRANT APRIL 03 2018](#)  
[CLAIMS DOCKET APRIL 03 2018](#)

**A motion was made by Councilperson Tony Wheat, seconded by Councilperson Jason Capers, that the Resolution be adopted. Upon roll call vote the President declared the motion carried by the results as follows:**

**Yea:** 7 - Jason Capers, Tony Wheat, Tony Thaxton, George Carmichael, Travares Comegys, Stacy Comegys and Anthony Page

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**