

**MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF COLUMBUS, MS
APRIL 3, 2018**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

II. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2018.

III. [APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS FOR APRIL 3, 2018.](#)

IV. CONFIRMATION OF/OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- M. Andrews** A. [Approve request for one \(1\) Fire and Rescue Captain to attend "Vehicle Extrication & Rescue Levels I-II" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment of registration, travel and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** B. [Approve request for four \(4\) Fire and Rescue Firefighters to attend the "Firefighter 1001 Graduation" to be held in Jackson, MS, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** C. [Approve request for two \(2\) Fire and Rescue Firefighters to attend the "TFT Fly-In" to be held in Valparaiso, IN, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** D. [Approve request for two \(2\) Fire and Rescue Firefighters to attend "Mantrailing Training" to be held in Holly Springs, MS, and approve payment for registration, travel and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** E. [Approve request from the Lowndes County District 2 Volunteer Fire Department to receive donations of surplus items from Columbus Fire and Rescue.](#)
- M. Andrews** F. [Approve request for the Mayor, F& R Chief and two \(2\) F & R Personnel to attend "Fire Rescue International" to be held in Dallas, TX, and approve payment of registration, lodging, travel and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** G. [Approve request for six \(6\) Fire and Rescue Firefighters and one \(1\) Battalion Chief to attend "Swift Water Refresher Training" to be held in Picayune, MS, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses.](#)
- M. Andrews** H. [Accept letter of resignation from one \(1\) Fire & Rescue Firefighter, and approve his request to be compensated for any unused leave or vacation time.](#)
- G. Lewis** I. [Approve request to refund citizens for four \(4\) clean up deposits and two \(2\) sports registrations.](#)
- F. Shelton** J. [Approve permit request submitted by Mayor Robert E. Smith, Sr. to host a "Victory Celebration Parade" to be held on April 5, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. until](#)

8:00 p.m. to honor Columbus High School and Heritage Academy basketball teams. See attached route map.

- F. Shelton K. Approve permit request submitted by Kerry Blanton on behalf of the Animal Clinic of Columbus to host "4 Paws Mississippi 5K Run/1 Mile Walk & Celebration" to be held on April 21, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at the Columbus Riverwalk.
- F. Shelton L. Approve request for Chief of Police to attend the "Summer Educational Conference and Tradeshow" to be held in Biloxi, MS, and approve payment for registration fees, lodging, travel and meal expenses
- F. Shelton M. Approve request for one (1) CPD Investigator to attend a "Crime Scene Investigation Training" to be held in Brandon, MS at no cost to City.
- F. Shelton N. Approve request to pay three (3) former CPD Officers for Lowndes County Circuit Court appearances
- F. Shelton O. Approve request for a CPD Officer to solicit donations, per City Policy, for the "Annual First Responders Softball Tournament"
- T. Jones P. Approve request for the Code Enforcement Officer to attend the "Mississippi Association of Code Enforcement Board of Directors Meeting" to be held in Hattiesburg, MS, and approve payment for travel and meal expenses

VI. REPORTS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AGENDA:

- R. Smith A. General Comments from the Mayor and Council Members
- Safe Digging Month Proclamation
 - Basketball Team Proclamations- Heritage Academy & Columbus High
 - Mayor's 11th Annual Unity Picnic
 - CL&W and TVA Energy Efficiency Program
 - CAF Red Tail Squadron "Rise Above" Traveling Exhibit

- D. Armstrong B. Board Vacancies

Historic Preservation Commission

- 1 Vacancy to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Jim Borsig who resigned January 31, 2018
- 3-Year Term will expire 05/19/2019.
- Appointment can be made immediately.

Applicants

- Robert J. Raymond
- Kelsy Rickenbaker-Bigelow
- Maureen Lipscomb
- Rusty Greene

Municipal Election Commission

- 1 Vacancy
- Leon Speck resigned 03/01/2018 (letter received 03/15/18).
- Remainder of 4-Year Term will expire 07/18/2021.
- Appointment can be made May 1, 2018.

Applicants

- George T. Sumrall
- Pierre D. Beard, Sr.

VII. CITIZENS INPUT AGENDA

VIII. POLICY AGENDA:

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| C. Bush/
P. Mitchell | A. | Discuss/Approve request to internally fill the positions of one (1) Equipment Operator and one (1) Truck Driver for the Public Works Department. |
| C. Bush/
P. Mitchell | B. | Discuss/Approve request to hire two (2) Laborers, contingent upon successful completion of a pre-employment drug screen and medical exam. |
| P. Mitchell | C. | Discuss/Approve request to fill the vacant position of Heavy Equipment Operator at the Landfill, contingent upon a successful drug screen and pre-employment medical exam. |
| P. Mitchell | D. | Award Bid for Legal Advertising Publications and Notices. |
| T. Jones/
P. Mitchell | E. | Discuss/Approve request to fill the vacant position of Code Enforcement Assistant. |
| G. Irby | F. | Discuss/Approve request to disburse funds from the FHLB Program. |
| M. Andrews | G. | Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) Entry Level Firefighter, contingent upon a successful drug screen and pre-employment medical exam. |
| G. Lewis | H. | Discuss/Approve hiring one (1) Seasonal Contract Worker for Columbus Recreation Department. |

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Personnel Matters (4)