



**RECESS MEETING - AMENDED AGENDA
CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS - MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025 - 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PRESENTATION

- a. Julia Weaver & Melanie Allen - HOSA and the Ocean Springs Tree Canopy Renewal Project
- b. Recognition of employment years of service: 30 years - Tractor Operator Gerald Wescovich, 15 years - Police Lieutenant Josh Fox, 10 years - Beautification Supervisor Mike Hale, 5 years - Firefighter Joshua Brown and Police Sergeant Trey Smith
- c. Proclamation honoring City Clerk Patty Gaston upon her retirement with 22 years of dedicated service

4. AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT *** The Public is invited to address the Board for up to 5 minutes each for a maximum period of 30 minutes, **ONLY regarding issues listed on this agenda.** The Board will take all comments under advisement for potential action if warranted. **Please identify yourself and the agenda item.** If no agenda item is stated, you will be asked to hold your comment until General Public Comment at the end of the meeting.*

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Authorization for Parking Garage Valuation – 1515 Government Street
- b. Appoint CTA Representative

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Adopt Resolution Authorizing Bank Signatories
- b. Adopt Order ratifying a motion that was missed at the Special Call Meeting July 7, 2025

7. CONSENT AGENDA ** All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Aldermen and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*

Mayor/BOA:

- a. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for eAgent Picnic on August 9, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at Fort Maurepas; at no cost to the City, the applicant pays the associated event cost
- b. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for Addicted to Jesus Music Fest on September 20, 2025, from noon to 9:00 p.m., at Fort Maurepas Stage and Green; at no cost to the City, the applicant pays the associated event cost
- c. ADDED: Authorize and waive all associated costs for Ocean Springs High School to use the Community Center on July 28, 2025, for teacher orientation
- d. ADDED: Authorize the Mayor to execute the Professional Services Contract with Chic Cody for Special Event Consulting services
- e. ADDED: Adopt Resolution Authorizing Request of Payment from Jackson County for Recreational Services

City Clerk:

- f. Ratify electronic payment to Amazon Capital for missed invoice to avoid late penalties

Police Department:

- g. Accept OSPD Monthly Report for June 2025

Fire Department:

- h. Accept OSFD Monthly Report for June 2025

Human Resources/Risk Management:

- i. Authorize removing Firefighter Seth Tillman from probationary status to full time status, effective July 10, 2025
- j. Authorize ratification of the employment of Christine Millard, City Clerk/Finance Director, effective July 10, 2025; \$39.91 hourly rate
- k. Accept resignation of Parks Grounds Maintenance Myikel Marks effective July 7, 2025; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- l. ~~REMOVED: Authorize employment of Ronnie Owens, Sewer Laborer, effective July 16, 2025; Step 1, \$15.35 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements~~
- m. Authorize employment of James Eckert, Sewer Laborer, effective July 16, 2025; Step 1, \$15.35 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements (Attachment Amended)
- n. Authorize employment of Jessie Galloway, Water Laborer, effective July 16, 2025; Step 1, \$15.35 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements (Attachment Amended)

- o. Authorize employment of Bobby Oxner, Firefighter I, effective July 21, 2025; Step 2, \$14.05 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- p. Authorize employment of Randall Retherford, Firefighter I, effective August 4, 2025; Step 9, \$17.27 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- q. Authorize employment of Tyler Ball, Firefighter II, effective July 24, 2025; Step 4, \$16.58 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC):

- r. Authorize the change of Historic Preservation Committee meetings to the Thursday after the Planning Commission meeting at 6:00 pm
- s. Approve a request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for partial demolition and exterior modifications at 208 Washington Ave - PIDN: 60137516.000; HPC recommends approval

Grants Administration:

- t. Authorize the Execution of Contract with Dale Partners for Stabilization of the Community Center Foundation in the Amount of \$24,500 – Funded by HB1353(hh)
- u. Ratify Submission of Two (2) Funding Applications to MS Department of Marine Resource (MDMR) FY27 Tidelands Program: 1) Front Beach Retaining Wall Improvements, and 2) Marble Springs Boardwalk
- v. Authorization to Execute Change Order #2 – Construction to Century Construction Group, Inc. in the amount of \$17,864.28 – Mary C. O’Keefe Cultural Center Exterior Renovations – Funding: SB2948(dddd), HB603(jv), GCRF

Building Department:

- w. Accept the Building Department Permit Report for June 2025
- x. Accept Code Enforcement Report through July 10, 2025
- y. Approve the Building Official's recommendations for the tree applications received through July 7, 2025

Parks & Recreation Department:

- z. Authorize the execution of the Facility Use Agreement with Ocean Springs High School for the use of 57 Sports Complex on September 12th and October 22nd and authorize waiving all associated fees for the events

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- a. City Clerk: Approve payment: Docket of Claims, all expenditures are appropriate and authorized by law, and spread the summary on the Minutes
*ADDED: Pay App 4 for Lane Construction (Fort Bayou Storm Drain Improvements)
- b. City Clerk: Authorize the adjustment of water/sewer accounts due to a finding that the customers did not receive the benefit of the utility and the excess usage was due to unforeseen circumstances

9. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT *The public is invited to address the Board, for up to 5 minutes each for a maximum period of 30 minutes. **Only two speakers will be allowed per side of each issue.** The Board will take all comments under advisement to take potential action at a later date if warranted. Priority will be given to Ocean Springs residents and Business Owners. **Please identify yourself before speaking.***

10. MAYOR AND ALDERMEN'S FORUM

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN UNTIL 6:00 P.M. on AUGUST 5, 2025