



**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS - MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025 - 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PRESENTATIONS

- a. Historic Ocean Springs Association (HOSA) — Tree Canopy Renewal Project
- b. The Mary C. O'Keefe 2025 Report

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. Resolution of Intent to Grant Ad Valorem Abatement to Ocean Springs Senior Development, LLC

6. 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:

- a. Authorize and waive all associated fees for the non-profit Embrace Abilities to host their Mardi Gras Ball for children and young adults with different abilities at the Civic Center on February 7, 2026; to advertise the resources of the city
- b. Approve the Run, Walk, Bike Permit Application for the 2026 Zebra Run for Rare Disease Event on March 7, 2026, from 5:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., Fort Maurepas Park and Front Beach/Bridge Route, at no cost to the City, the applicant pays associated event cost
- c. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for WAMA Patron Party for Odyssey Illuminated on December 5, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at The Traveler and parking lot at no cost to the City, the applicant pays the associated event cost

- d. Approve for the Special Event Silent Light Odyssey Illumination Application on December 6, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., at Walter Anderson Museum, Community Center, Traveler and Washington Ave. (Street closure from WAMA to Joseph Street) at no cost to the City, the applicant pays the associated event cost
- e. Adopt Resolution Request Assistance from Jackson County to Use the Portable Stage for the New Year's Eve Ball Drop Event

Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center:

- f. Accept a \$2,500.00 donation from Gail Harper to the Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center

City Clerk:

- g. Accept the October 2025 Aged Receivables Report
- h. Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting October 7, 2025 (minor edits to attached transcript on 11/4)
- i. Approve Minutes: Recess Meeting October 21, 2025

Human Resources/Risk Management:

- j. Authorize the closure of City offices on Friday, January 2nd, in addition to Thursday, January 1st, in observance of the New Year's Day holiday, per the proclamation issued by Governor Tate Reeves authorizing the closure of state and local offices
- k. Authorize employment of Jose Godinez, Patrolman, effective November 5, 2025; Step 1, \$21.00 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- l. Accept resignation of Street Laborer Cody Franklin effective October 31, 2025; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position

Grants Administration:

- m. Authorize Advertisement for Construction – Washington Avenue Roadway and Drainage Improvements / Front Beach Drive to Lafontaine Avenue – GOMESA Funding

Building Department:

- n. Accept Code Enforcement Report through October 30, 2025
- o. Approve the Building Official's recommendations for the tree applications received through October 28, 2025
- p. Approve demolition of 126 & 128 Earl Taylor Lane by Lane Construction of MS, LLC.

Parks & Recreation Department:

- q. Authorize and waive all associated fees for the non-profit Les Belle Fleurs to host the Mardi Gras Make A Wish softball tournament at Gay Lemon on Saturday, November 15th, 2025; to advertise the resources of the city

7. 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
- b. City Clerk: Accept the Monthly Budget Report
- c. City Clerk: Budget Amendments – First Quarter FY2026
- d. City Clerk: Budget Amendment – Purchase of Vehicles and Equipment

8. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT *The public is invited to address the Board, for up to 5 minutes each for a maximum period of 30 minutes. 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.***

9. MAYOR AND ALDERMEN'S FORUM

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Personnel in the Police Department
- b. Litigation Update

RECESS UNTIL 6:00 P.M. on NOVEMBER 18, 2025