CITY OF FLORENCE REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND BOARD AUGUST 5, 2025

The Governing Authorities of the city of Florence met in their regularly scheduled meeting set for the 1st Tuesday in August, August 5, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at city hall located at 203 College Street in Florence, Mississippi.

Initially present were Mayor Gunn, Aldermen Banks, Grantham, Herrin, Martin and Sistrunk.

Mayor Gunn called the Meeting to order and announced a quorum.

Alderman Banks gave the invocation.

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Martin to send Tac-Officer Dee McCrory to Communications Training Class for CEU hours on August 20-21, 2025 in Mendenhall, MS and for the city to pay the registration fee of \$300.00 and all related cost as allowed by state law.

A Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to approve payment of invoice number M25017-F in the amount of \$6,434.15 for emergency repairs to a leaking gate valve at the intersection of Church Street and Main Street, repairs being deemed an emergency in order to provide water service to the community. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Grantham to approve payment to Cooper Electric Motor & Pump Sales & Service to rebuild (2) submersible pumps for the lift station located at Jerry's Fish House Hwy. 49 in the amount of \$12,243.07, rebuild is a sole source item. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Community Development Director, Joel Sims a Motion was made by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to approve signage for Rankin Rowdies owner Sunny Duhnna, located at 15 Jackson Circle as submitted by Chris Davis Lighting Company, Inc. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Community Development Director, Joel Sims a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Martin to approve an exterior update for Eagle Car Wash located at 106 Crosspark Blvd. as submitted by Munn signs. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of City Engineer, Tim Parker a Motion was made by Alderman Sistrunk, seconded by Alderman Banks to authorize and direct Mayor Gunn to sign <u>EAGLE POST</u> <u>ROAD OVERLAY SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT 01 PROJECT NO. STP-7073-00(001)</u> <u>DOCUMENTS.</u> The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of City Engineer Tim Parker, a Motion was made by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Grantham to authorize and direct Mayor Gunn to sign THOMPSON BROTHERS DRILLING, INC. STOP WORK ORDER EFFECTIVE JULY 23, 2025. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of City Clerk, Linda Wigley a Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks to approve **BUDGET AMENDMENT # 2 FYE 09/30/2025.** The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote. A copy is attached.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks, in order to promote economic development, to place a Good Luck Eagles ad in the Rankin County News in the amount of \$239.00. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Martin to send any of the governing authorities and the deputy city clerk to the Small-Town Conference in Philadelphia, MS and for the city to pay the registration fee of \$125.00 each and all related cost as allowed by state law. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of City Attorney, Bobby Lingold a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Herrin to adopt A BOARD ORDER TO AMEND A MOTION MADE AT THE JULY 1, 2025 REGULAR MEETING CONCERNING THE POSITION OF MAYOR TO STRIKE THE PHRASE "FULL-TIME POSITION". ALDERMAN BANKS MADE THE MOTION TO AMEND THE PREVIOUS MOTION IN RECOGNITION OF SINCE REVIEWED MISSISSIPPI ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS THAT THE OFFICE OF MAYOR IS NOT DESIGNATED AS EITHER A FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME POSITION BY LAW, IT IS UP TO THE INDIVIDUAL SERVING AS MAYOR TO DETERMINE AND DEVOTE THE TIME THAT IS NECESSARY TO FULFIL TH DUTIES OF THE OFFICE. ALL REMAINING ASPECTS OF THE MOTION MADE AT THE JULY 1, 2025, CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE MAY REMAIN UNAFFECTED. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:

Alderman Brian Grantham voted:

Alderman Mason Herrin voted:

Alderman Kyle Martin voted:

Aye

Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:

Aye

A Motion was made by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Grantham to adopt A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE STEENS'S CREEK LANDING PROJECT AND THE INVESTMENT INTO NECESSARY PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE, PARK SIGNAGE, AND OTHER NECESSARY INVESTMENTS TO FURTHER THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDUSTRIAL PARK WITH THE CITY'S INTENTIONS TO PARTNER WITH RANKIN FIRST AND RANKIN COUNTY IN THIS PROJECT. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:

Alderman Brian Grantham voted:

Alderman Mason Herrin voted:

Alderman Kyle Martin voted:

Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:

Aye

A Motion was made by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to approve the claims docket. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Herrin to approve the Minutes of July 15, 2025. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:

Alderman Brian Grantham voted:

Alderman Mason Herrin voted:

Alderman Kyle Martin voted:

Aye

Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:

Aye

A Motion was made by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to consider the need for an executive session to discuss a personnel matter in the Police Department involving the position of officer. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks to go into executive session for the above stated purpose at 6:50 p.m. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks to hire Hayden Lukens as a part-time police officer at \$20.00 per hour starting August 11, 2025, pending a successful background check and drug and alcohol testing. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:
Alderman Brian Grantham voted:
Alderman Mason Herrin voted:
Alderman Kyle Martin voted:
Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:
Aye

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks to return to regular session at 6:55 p.m. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Being no further business, Mayor Gunn adjourned the Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR, TREY GUNN

8-20-2025

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ITY CLERK, LINDA WAGLEY

N O T I C E CITY OF FLORENCE WORK SESSION

WHEN: TUESDAY AUGUST 5, 2025

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

WHERE: FLORENCE CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

203 COLLEGE STREET

FLORENCE, MS

PURPOSE: GENERAL WORK SESSION

| 1. | The Path Company | Mayor Gunn |
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| 2. | Bryan Rowe Zoning Issue | Mayor Gunn |
| 3. | Speed bumps Florence Gardens | Mayor Gunn |
| 4. | Rain Forest Car Wash (Water) | |
| 5. | Mark Eaves sewer | |
| 6. | Rankin Rowdies signage | |
| 7. | Eagle Car Wash signage | Joel Sims |
| | MSI Emergency repair Main Street Intersection | |
| | Dispatcher training course | |
| 10. | New hire part-time officer | .Brad Burns |
| | Small Town Conference | |
| | Budget Amendment #2 | |
| | RCN Ad Good Luck Eagles | |
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A G E N D A CITY OF FLORENCE REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND BOARD AUGUST 5, 2025

| MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: |
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| INVOCATION: |
| REPORTS: 1. POLICE DEPARTMENT 2. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT 3. STREET DEPARTMENT 4. PARK DEPARTMENT 5. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 6. MAYOR ASSISTANT/POLICE OFFICER 7. CITY CLERK 8. CITY ENGINEER 9. CITY ATTORNEY |
| OLD BUSINESS: |
| NEW BUSINESSD: 1. Budget Amendment #2 FYE 09/30/2025Linda Wigley, City Clerk 2. Rankin County News Ad Good Luck EaglesLinda Wigley, City Clerk 3. Small Town ConferenceLinda Wigley, City Clerk |
| CORRESPONDENCE: |
| ORDINANCES: |
| RESOLUTIONS: |
| APPROVAL OF CLAIMS DOCKET: |
| APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 15, 2025: |

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