

CITY OF FLORENCE  
REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND BOARD  
MAY 5, 2026

The Governing Authorities of the city of Florence met in their regularly scheduled meeting se for the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in May, May 5, 2026 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.

Mayor Gunn gave the invocation.

Mayor Gunn closed the regular meeting in order to hold a **PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATIO OF A SPECIAL EXCEPTION-CONDITIONAL USE FOR THE ALLOWANCE OF MANUFACTURED AND MODULAR HOME SALES WHICH INCLUDE A PERMANENT BUILDING IN C-3 ZONING DISTRICK, IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE, COUNTY OF RANKIN, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.**

Mayor Gunn asked if there was anyone present desiring to speak for or against the above referenced public hearing.

Mr. Brent McCrory, president of Spartan Housing, LLC presented his facts concerning the above referenced public hearing.

Community Development Director, Joel Sims presented his written facts and findings on the above referenced public hearing.

City Engineer Tim Parker presented his professional opinion concerning the above referenced public hearing.

Mayor Gunn asked if there was anyone else present desiring to speak for or against the above referenced public hearing.

Being no one else present desiring to speak for or against the above referenced public hearing, Mayor Gunn closed the public hearing and returned to regular session.

Upon recommendation of Community Development Director Joel Sims, a Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to **GRANT A SPECIAL EXCEPTION-CONDITIONAL USE FOR THE ALLOWANCE OF MANUFACTURED AND MODULAR HOME SALES WHICH INCLUDE A PERMANENT BUILDING IN C-3 ZONING DISTRICT, IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE, COUNTY OF RANKIN, AND STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED DRAINAGE SYSTEM BY CITY ENGINEER TIM PARKER.** The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of City Engineer Tim Parker, a Motion was made by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Banks to authorize and direct **MAYOR GUNN TO EXECUTE THE MOA FOR STP-7005-00(001) WILLIAMS ROAD PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.** The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A public hearing for June 2, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. **FOR CONSIDERATION OF A VARIANCE FROM SECTION 3.1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 414 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE REASONABLE REGULATIONS REGARDING MEDICAL CANNABIS ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE, COUNTY OF RANKIN, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.** The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Sistrunk, seconded by Alderman Martin 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 April 17, 2026. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Martin to consider the need for an executive session to discuss a personnel matter in the Fire Department involving the position of fireman and to discuss land acquisition. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Grantham to go into executive session for the above stated purpose at 6:45 p.m. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Fire Chief Richard Wilson, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks to hire Anrew B. Craft as a part-time fire fighter at \$17.00 per hour starting May 6, 2026. The Motion was carried as follows:

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

Upon recommendation of City Attorney Bobby Lingold, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Herrin to authorize and direct City Engineer Tim Parker to conduct a survey of proposed land acquisition. The Motion was carried as follows:

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

Upon recommendation of City Attorney Bobby Lingold, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to authorize and direct Mayor Gunn to obtain an appraisal for proposed land acquisition. The Motion was carried as follows:

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

A Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Herrin to allow dismissal of the Humble Annexation. The Motion was carried as follows:

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

A Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Herrin to authorize and direct City Attorney Bobby Lingold to take no action concerning Monterey Annexation. The Motion was carried as follows:

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

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to return to regular session at 7:20 p.m. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Being no further business, Mayor Gunn adjourned the Meeting at 7:20 p.m.

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MAYOR TREY GUNN

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ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK LINDA WIGLEY

NOTICE

CITY OF FLORENCE  
WORK SESSION

WHEN: TUESDAY MAY 5, 2026

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

WHERE: CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM  
203 COLLEGE STREET  
FLORENCE, MS 39073

PURPOSE: GENERAL WORK SESSION

1. Country Boy Dispensary.....Austin Minton
2. VFW request.....Alderman Grantham
3. Parking behind Totally Rad.....Mayor Gunn
4. FBC Land.....Mayor Gunn
5. Speed limit in school zones.....Mayor Gunn

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A G E N D A

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

INVOCATION:

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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 BUSINESS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS DOCKET:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2026:

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