BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons of the City of Pass Christian, Mississippi met on the above date at the Municipal Court Bldg., 105 Hiern Avenue, Pass Christian, Mississippi, at 6:00 p.m., same being the time and place for said meeting.

PRESENT: Mayor Renaud "Jimmy" Rafferty, Alderman at Large Kenny Torgeson, Alderwoman Betty Sparkman, Alderwoman Regina Charlot (phone), Alderman Victor Pickich, City Attorney, Alderman Kirk Kimball, City Attorney, Malcolm Jones, City Clerk, Marian Governor

There being a quorum present to transact the business of the City, the following proceedings were had and done.

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously approved the agenda for the April 15, 2025, Regular Board of Alderperson Meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously approved awarding a grant of $255,875 for infrastructure (i.e., water, sewer, retaining wall, sidewalks, stormwater detention, etc.) to K&H Investments, LLC for the Hilton Tower Commons project on Scenic Drive west of the St. Paul's development. The developer will convey property to the City for a portion of the road that will connect Scenic Drive and Second Street between his property and St. Paul's and the City will provide connections under the road. The developer will commit to investing $2,570,000 in Phase I of the overall projected $4,170,000 development. This will require the construction of two commercial structures on Scenic Drive. The $255,875 in funds will be paid from the following with No City Match:

$233,549 out of SB2468 (2024) $750,000 Appropriation for the Capital Expenditure grant designated for downtown development.

$22,326 out of SB2948 (2021) Appropriation for the Capital Expenditure grant designated for downtown development (amount remaining from purchase of Davis Avenue parking lot). A-1

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Payment Application No. 1 for Lift Station No. 31 Relocation, ARPA Project in the amount of $41,981.45 payable to DNA Underground, LLC, as requested by Bob Escher, P.E. A-2

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously approved Payment Application No. 1 for Lift Station No. 18 Upgrades, ARPA Project in the amount of $21,992.50 payable to DNA Underground, LLC, as requested by Bob Escher, P.E. A-3

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Payment Application No. 1 for Lift Station Rehabilitation and SCADA Improvements, ARPA Project in the amount of $44,287.10 payable to DNA Underground, LLC, as requested by Bob Escher, P.E. A-4

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board approved the reimbursement of Pay Application #5 to Edgerly Enterprises, LLC in the amount of $93,840.00, for the St Paul Village Infrastructure, Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Project. Funds are available per the City Clerk. A-5

- Betty Sparkman Aye
- Regina Charlot Nay
- Kirk Kimball Aye
- Victor Pickich Aye
- Kenny Torgeson Aye

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved transferring $300,000 from the Utility Operating Account 7294 to the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund account 7235 for temporary loan for reimbursable grant expenses, as requested by City Clerk.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously approved transferring $6,862.72 from the Utility operating account to the Depository account for the 3.3.25 Harbor deposit of $4,183.20 and 3.9.23 Harbor deposit that was deposited in the wrong bank account, as requested by City Clerk.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved the Property Insurance renewal with underwriters at Lloyds in the amount of $337,774.22 which is a decrease of $78,058.70, as requested by City Clerk.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board unanimously approved Ordinance vacating the platted (but unimproved) portion of Saucier Avenue North of Rafferty Street to E. North Street as requested by Benoit D. Hood, Jr., who is the owner of the property on both sides of that portion of the platted street to be vacated as recommended by the City Attorney. {This vacation of the platted street will not deny any property owner access to their property and the City has no utilities within this area.] A-9

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Alderman Kenny Torgeson recused himself.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved ratifying approval of temporary construction easement and approval of donation of permanent easement to the City for utility purposes for the relocation of the City's sewer pump station within the right-of-way adjacent to the property owned by Kenneth L. Torgeson, II with the understanding and agreement from Mr. Torgeson that he is voluntarily waiving any compensation he may be entitled to under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policy Act. As recommended by the City Attorney. A-10

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Alderman Kenny Torgeson returned to meeting.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board unanimously approved authorizing the payment not to exceed $46,892.72 to CSpire for the temporary relocation and later permanent reinstallation of an underground fiber optic line (previously unknown to the project engineers) that is installed on top of the City's existing sewer main along the North side of East North Street. This will temporarily remove this conflict to enable the City's contractor, L J Construction, to install the new sewer main as a part of the Gravity Sewer Improvements project, Phases 2 and 3, not to exceed $2,000, as recommended by the project engineer. The funds for this work to be paid out of the GOMESA grant as stated by the project engineer. A-11

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved declaring a state of emergency to make necessary repairs for sewer outfall pipe from the Camille Village lift station extending from the Southern boundary of the development to Courtenay Avenue. The City's contractor, DNA Underground, LLC, is currently rehabilitating the lift station and the outflow sewer main has continued to be blocked during the rehab project on numerous occasions requiring the City to have a private contractor and the Public Works Department use their Jetter machines to attempt to clear the line. This portion of the sewer main was originally believed to be installed in the early 1970s and the beginning portion of the sewer main is 4 inches and connecting to a six-inch main running through the adjacent wooded lot to Courtenay Avenue.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Pay Application #11 to Bottom 2 Top Construction, LLC, for the GOMESA North Street Gravity Sewer Project, in the amount of $292,082.20, recommended by Project Engineer, Overstreet & Associates, funds are available and reimbursed by the GOMESA grant. A-13

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Pay Application #2 to LJ Construction, Inc., for the GOMESA North Street Gravity Sewer Ph. II and III project, in the amount of $287,481.74, recommended by Project Engineer, Overstreet & Associates, funds are available and reimbursed by the GOMESA grant. A-14

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved ratifying the order of an evaporator coil for the Library HVAC system from Southland Heating & Air in the amount of $6,400.00 which is a sole source purchase. Southland is the local service provided for the HVAC system, as requested by City Clerk. A-15

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board approved adopting Resolution requesting Harrison County Board of Supervisors under the Interlocal Agreement to assist City in its Citywide paving project of certain designated streets by using their contractor with their annual paving contract conditioned upon the City reimbursing the County for all costs and labor expended in such project. The Engineer's cost estimate for this project is $556,035 with all project costs to be paid from the City's recent bond issue.

- Betty Sparkman Aye
- Regina Charlot Aye
- Kirk Kimball Nay
- Victor Pickich Aye
- Kenny Torgeson Aye

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Resolution to lease-purchase the new 2023 Micro-Excavator for the Public Works Department from CatFinancial for the total sum of $40,839.63 for a four-year term at an annual rate of 5.49%. The City received two quotes and authorized the lease-purchase of this equipment at the January 21, 2025, Board meeting. The funds for this lease-purchase are included in the current budget as confirmed by the City Clerk.

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EVENTS

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved becoming a sponsor of the Pass Christian Historical Society's 2025 Tour of Homes on May 4, 2025, and making a $250 contribution to be paid out of the Community Promotions Budget. Funds are available as confirmed by the City Clerk. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the City, as requested by Amy Steiner, Chair. E-1

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderwoman regina Charlot the Board unanimously approved the use of War Memorial Park for Woodside Wildlife Rescue Community Movie Night every first Friday of each month. Woodside Wildlife will provide movie screen, projector, and snacks(for donations). A brief conservation video or talk will proceed the movie to teach children ways they can help our local wildlife and become more environmentally aware. Volunteers from the organization will pick up any trash from the event. Additionally, Pass Christian Library will provide the licensing to publicly show movies. and will not require any City funding. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the city of Pass Christian, as requested by Susan Putnam.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved to discuss Hookem for Heroes fishing tournament to be held at the Pass Christian Harbor on Saturday September 6, 2025 (Rain out day Sept 13th). This is a public event, and all are welcome to attend thus bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the city of Pass Christian. The following items are requested By Alderman Kimball.

- use of the City's stage
- use of mobile restrooms or aporta pottys
- Use of city's Dumpster
- Trash Cans
- Barricades
- Cones
- Generators
- Digital traffic sign
- Any overtime that may accrue for City Personnel / Harbor / Police/ Fire / Public Works & Beautification ·
- Other needs as deemed necessary by the Mayor

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board denied motion to table until additional information concerning where do fund go and nonprofit status for the Hookem for Heroes fishing tournament.

- Betty Sparkman Aye
- Regina Charlot Aye
- Kirk Kimball Nay
- Victor Pickich Nay
- Kenny Torgeson Nay

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Hookem for Heroes fishing tournament to be held at the Pass Christian Harbor on Saturday September 6, 2025 (Rain out day Sept 13th). This is a public event, and all are welcome to attend thus bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the city of Pass Christian. The following items are requested By Alderman Kimball.

- use of the City's stage
- use of mobile restrooms or aporta pottys
- Use of city's Dumpster
- Trash Cans

- Barricades
- Cones
- Generators
- Digital traffic sign
- Any overtime that may accrue for City Personnel / Harbor / Police/ Fire / Public Works & Beautification ·
- Other needs as deemed necessary by the Mayor

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Bama Q cookoff to be held at the Pass Christian Harbor on September 12 &13, 2025 (Friday & Saturday). This is a public event and all are welcome to attend thus bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the city of Pass Christian. The following items are requested By Alderman Kimball.

- Use of City's Dumpster
- Trash Cans
- Barricades
- Cones
- Generators
- Digital traffic sign
- Any overtime that may accrue for City Personnel / Harbor / Police/ Fire / Public Works & Beautification
- Other needs as deemed necessary by the Mayor

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously request from Animal Aid MS (a Pass Christian charitable organization) to hold Bacchus Pawty on Saturday May 3, 2025, hosted by Bacchus. The following additional resources are requested, this bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the city, as requested by Alderman Kimball.

- Blocking streets West Scenic & Hiern / Market & Scenic
- Barricades & Cones
- Use of the city's stage
- Harbor Flatbed Trailer (If Needed)
- Use of the Harbor's Dumpster & Facilities
- Trash Cans
- City's Mobile restroom trailer
- Generators & Electric panel Board
- Other needs as deemed necessary by the Mayor

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the

Board unanimously VFW Post 5931 to have a VFW Day of Service at War Memorial Park on May 3, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the City. As requested by Ricky Haas. E-6

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Ricky Haas with VFW Post 5931 to have a Crawfish Boil in War Memorial Park, for all the local Veterans and their families, on May 10, 2025, from 9 :00 a.m. to noon. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the City. As requested by Ricky Haas. E-7

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved VFW Post 5931 to have a Memorial Day Service at War Memorial Park on May 26, 2025, from 9:00 to noon. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the City. As Requested by Ricky Haas. E-8

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved final plat of subdivision for Bayouwood Estates, Phase 4, on the West side of Espy Avenue conditioned upon the Owner, Heather Calder, granting the City an easement for access to the property currently occupied by the Beautification Department and the Police Firing Range, and final approval of the City Engineer and City Attorney. The access easement will be on the unnumbered lot between Lots 13 and 14. This executed easement will confirm the access the City previously acquired as a prescriptive easement after many decades of use. As recommended by the City Attorney. CD-1

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved lot merger for James K. Guidry and Christina Guidry at 349 Roseheart Ave, Pass Christian, MS for Lots 7, 8, and 9 Roseheart Addition subdivision, as recommended by City Attorney. {This is compliant with the City's zoning ordinance.] CD-2

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FIRE

Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously approved discuss request to advertise for bids for installation costs for Fire Hydrant Replacement - Phase I, as requested by Fire Chief Dia'mond Woodman. FIRE-1

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board denied moving forward to accept quote from DNA Underground for installation costs for Fire Hydrant Replacement - Phase I.

- Betty Sparkman Nay
- Regina Charlot Nay
- Kirk Kimball Aye
- Victor Pickich Aye
- Kenny Torgeson Nay

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board approved request to advertise for bids for installation costs for Fire Hydrant Replacement - Phase I, as requested by Fire Chief Dia'mond Woodman.

- Betty Sparkman Aye
- Regina Charlot Aye
- Kirk Kimball Nay
- Victor Pickich Nay
- Kenny Torgeson Aye

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved request to rehire Firefighter Emanuel Cintron at a salary of $13.57 per hour, start date April 16, with a one (1) year probation. Pending background check and drug screening, as requested by Fire Chief Dia'mond Woodman. FIRE-2

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved request to appoint Jeremy McLeod, Gavin Carter, and Marcos Chacon to the rank of Lieutenant, effective April 25, 2025, an hourly rate of $14.89, with a one-year probationary period, as requested by Fire Chief Dia'mond Woodman.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved request to hire Michael Paul as a part-time Fire fighter with a start date of April 16, 2025, pending background check and drug screen. Starting pay will be $12.02 per hour, as requested by Fire Chief Dia'mond Woodman.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved request to hire Louis Paull as a part-time Fire fighter with a start date April 16, 2025, pending background check and drug screen. Starting pay will be $12.02 per hour, as requested by Fire Chief Dia'mond Woodman.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Board took no action on recommendation to re-hire Richard West to fill the existing vacancy in patrol effective April 25, 2025, and a starting salary of $18.50 per hour plus holiday pay. He has completed all Civil Service requirements, pending urinalysis. This position has a one-year probationary period. This is a budgeted position, and funds are available as confirmed by the City Clerk. PD-1

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CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board unanimously approved the items 1thru 11 below

1. Approved Beautification Department: accepting check in the amount of $2,400 from Southern Way Charters Inc for Bart Haddad replacement of 12 non -protected trees and increase budget line item 001.502.508 (Plants &Shrubs), as requested by Beautification Director, Brad Manus. CA-1
2. Approved Fire Department: request to send Dustin Dauner and Gavin Carter to The Company Officer Academy in Orange Beach, AL from May 6th through May 8th. $175 Course fee each, per diem $113 each, the use of City Vehicle and $361.86 for a hotel room, as requested by Fire Chief

Dia'mond Woodman. CA-2

3. Approved Police Department: accepting resignation from Officer Mathew Stieler effective April 21, 2025, and pay him for any comp-time and vacation pay per City policy that he may have accrued while employed, as requested by Chief Daren Freeman. CA31
4. Approved Police Department: approving request to send School Resource Officer Travis Thomas to attend required MS Association of School Resource Officers (MASRO) Conference held July 13-18, 2025, in Biloxi, MS. The School District will pay for registration fees and use of a City vehicle is requested, as requested by Chief Daren Freeman. CA-4
5. Approved Police Department: approving request to send Investigator Sergeant David Spence to Essential Tech Tools for Investigations course held May 16, 2025, in Gulfport, MS. Training is free, and use of City vehicle is requested, as requested by Chief Daren Freeman. CA-5
6. Approved Olivia Lewis attending the PERS workshop for public sector employers on April 29, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at MGCCC in Biloxi, Ms., as requested by Marian Governor, City Clerk. CA-6
7. Approved accepting check from Shaggy's in the amount of $6,100.00 for the settlement of damage claim to the playground equipment at Ricky Levy Park and amend budget line item 480-751-635(Harbor Contractual Repairs and Maintenance account) by increase of $6,100.00, as requested by City Clerk.
8. Approved declaring the following item as surplus and disposal. The item is broken and not repairable.
9. and will be scrapped. Remove from Public Works Inventory as requested by Public Works Director, Kirk Ladner. CA-8 ASUS COMPUTER MONITOR (Asset #01277)
10. Approved accepting Ryne Hand's resignation of the Appeals Prosecutor, effective immediately. CA-9
11. Approved minutes of March 5, 2025, Regular Mayor and Board of Alderpersons meeting, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-10
12. Approved the March 2025 Budget Report.

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CLAIMS DOCKET

Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved the Claims Docket in the amount of $171,753.71. CD-1

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved to amend the agenda and accept addendum.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved ratifying accepting the resignation of Terrell Billiot with an effective date of April 14, 2025, and begin advertising for Beautification Laborer immediately, as requested by Beautification Director. AD-1.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved the hiring of Melodie Hayes as the City Planner at a rate of $45,000 per year, pending the background check and urinalysis, with a start date to be determined, as requested by the Mayor.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved final payment to Trinity Park subdivision in the amount of $7,485.56 listed below to be funded from House Bill 1353, as requested by City Clerk. AD-3

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.

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