

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen 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 Kenny Torgeson, Alderman at Large Victor Pickich, Alderman Barry Dreyfus, Alderman Joe Piernas, Alderman Greg Federico, Jim Simpson, City Attorney and Marian Governor, City Clerk

Absent: Alderman Kirk Kimball

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

Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved the agenda for the April 7, 2026, Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved approving Parkinson’s Awareness Month 2026 Proclamation.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved opening bids for the Bayview Avenue Lift Station Repairs and Force Main Replacement.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved to accept, tabulate and award bids for the Bayview Avenue Lift Station Repairs and Force Main Replacement.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved opening bids for the 2026 Annual Unit Price Project for Emergency Repairs and Other Needed Utility Construction for Water Infrastructure.

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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Barry Dreyfus the Board unanimously approved to accept, tabulate and award bids for the 2026 Annual Unit Price Project for Emergency Repairs and Other Needed Utility Construction for Water Infrastructure.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved opening bids for the 2026 Annual Unit Price Project for Emergency Repairs and Other Needed Utility Construction for Sewer Infrastructure.

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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Barry Dreyfus the Board unanimously approved to accept, tabulate and award bids for the 2026 Annual Unit Price Project for Emergency Repairs and Other Needed Utility Construction for Sewer Infrastructure.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved opening bids for the 2026 Annual Unit Price Project for Emergency Repairs and Other Needed Utility Construction for Roads and Drainage.

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Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved to accept, tabulate and award bids for the 2026 Annual Unit Price Project for Emergency Repairs and Other Needed Utility Construction for Roads and Drainage.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Joe Piernas the Board unanimously approved hearing from Wendy Diaz and members of the Lighthouse Board for the quarterly report from Main Street and approval for Oyster statue placements on City property, as requested by Wendy Diaz, Main Street Board President.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved authorizing the City Attorney, Jim Simpson, to proceed with the drafting of a resolution to propose an ordinance to create a "No Wake Zone" in the waterway known as Bayou Malini. The motion will be presented to the state for adoption to create this zone, as requested by Alderman Greg Federico.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved adopting Ordinance 716 to implement a permit for construction, repair, encroachments in a public right of way or adjustment of a utility and to add subcontractors, as presented by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. A-3

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Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved adopting Ordinance 717 to modify Ordinances 589 and 583 adding verbiage to Sec. 74-91 Parking regulations on highway 90 and residential streets to prevent overnight parking, with the exception of Special Events, pending City Attorney, Jim Simpson approval, as requested by Alderman Barry Dreyfus. A-4

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Upon motion of Alderman Barry Dreyfus and seconded by Alderman Joe Piernas the Board unanimously approved the placing of at least two 4x8 foot signs on Espy Avenue proclaiming the Pass Christian Shooting Range location to be placed at the entrance of the range. This will notify possible buyers of properties adjacent to the range of the noise and inconvenience they will be subject to in the future. Funds to be donated by concerned residents, as requested by Alderman Barry Dreyfus.

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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously 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 \$475,279 with all project costs to be paid from the City's recent bond issue, as requested by Mayor Kenny Torgeson. A-6

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| Alderman Dreyfus | Aye |
| Alderman Piernas | Aye |
| Alderman Kimball | Absent |
| Alderman Federico | Aye |
| Alderman Pickich | Aye |

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved the renewal proposal for the Auto and Equipment physical damage coverage in the amount of \$69,388.00 from Betz Rosetti & Associates, as requested by Marian Governor, City Clerk.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved hiring Amber Carter as Reception – Council Clerk at a rate of \$20.00/hr., effective May 4, 2026, pending background checks and physical/drug screens, as requested by Mayor Torgeson.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved (Final – Summary Change Order) adjusting the contract quantities to conform to the completed work, for a net decrease in the contract in the amount of -\$5,303.00 for a final contract amount of \$20,839.00 and authorize Pay Application #1 (Final) to DNA Underground LLC, for 229 Basswood Drive Drainage Repairs (MIT fund construction in progress) in the amount of \$20,839.00. The proposed change is necessary or incidental to the completion of the work as originally bid, is commercially reasonable and not made to circumvent the public purchasing laws, and that any increase or decrease in cost is reasonable, as recommended by City Engineer Bob Escher. A-9

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 to Southern Way Contracting, LLC. for the Scenic Drive Parking Improvements (SB2468 Capex grant) to increase the contract price by \$9,948.00, to cover buried conduit in conflict with the proposed parking improvement. The proposed change is necessary or incidental to the completion of the work as originally bid, is commercially reasonable and not made to circumvent the public purchasing laws, and that any increase or decrease in cost is reasonable, as requested by City Engineer, Bob Escher. A-10

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved Change Order No. 4 to Gill's Crane & Dozer Service. for the West Bulkhead Wall Repair – Phase II (2022 Tidelands) to increase the contract price by \$131,250.00, to provide labor, equipment and materials needed for the repairs to the former Excursion Pier from damage resulting from Hurricane Zeta. The proposed change is necessary or incidental to the completion of the work as originally bid, is commercially reasonable and not made to circumvent the public purchasing laws, and that any increase or decrease in cost is reasonable, as requested by City Engineer, Bob Escher. A-11

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EVENTS

Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and second by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved adopting Resolution approving the 18th Annual Crawfish Cook Off held in Waveland on Saturday April 18, 2026, use of City stage for the City of Waveland for use by the

Hancock County Resource Center, a nonprofit organization, this bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the City, as requested by the Mayor. E-1

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| Alderman Dreyfus | Aye |
| Alderman Piernas | Aye |
| Alderman Kimball | Absent |
| Alderman Federico | Aye |
| Alderman Pickich | Aye |

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and second by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved request for Flounder Pounder Fishing Tournament Fundraiser. They are requesting use of the parking lot/green space behind Keith’s store on Aug 8, 2026 (11AM) through August 9, 2026 (7PM). They are also requesting use of barricades and 6 trash cans and the use of the city stage. No added personnel will be needed, and they will handle all cleanup, this bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the City, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master. E-2

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and second by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved request for Blessing of the Fleet to be held Saturday June 27, 2026 (Sunday, June 28th as a rain out day) hosted by St Paul's Carnival Association at the Pass Christian Harbor green space The city will make a contribution of free slip rent for two boats (under 35 ft and over 35ft) for one month as a prize to the boat owner’s that participated in decorating their boat. All Department heads that this event applies to have agreed. The following additional resources are requested, this bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities of the city, as requested by Alderman Kimball.

- Barricades & cones
- Digital traffic sign

- City stage
- Use of the Harbor's Dumpster & Facilities
- Trash Cans · Generators
- Use of Harbor Pier
- Use of Harbor personnel
- Other needs as deemed necessary by the Mayor

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and second by Alderman Joe Piernas the Board unanimously approved Bama Q cookoff to be held at the Pass Christian Harbor on September 18 -19, 2026 (Friday & Saturday), this bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the City.

The following items are requested by Mayor Torgeson. E-4

- Use of City's Dumpster
- Trash Cans
- Generators
- Other needs as deemed necessary by the Mayor

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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and second by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved allowing VFW Post 5931 to have a VFW National Day of Service at War Memorial Park on May 2, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the City, as requested by Ricky Haas, Senior Vice Commander. E-5

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and second by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved allowing VFW Post 5931 to have a BBQ get-together in War Memorial Park, for all the local Veterans and their families, on May 16, 2026, from 10 :00 a.m. to noon. This bringing favorable notice to the resources and opportunities to the City, as requested by Ricky Haas, Senior Vice Commander. E-6

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CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved items 1-12 and 14 - 30.

1. Approved – Administrative - accepting the following checks from VFIS Claims Management for 2017 Ford F250, 1FT7W2B68HEC57500, amend the budget accordingly (001.220.560), as requested by Marian Governor, City Clerk. CA-1
 - Check No.0000118888 \$7,220.43
 - Check No. 0000119882 \$ 985.68
2. Approved – Administrative - awarding the best and lowest bid for Leovy Avenue Drainage Improvements to Moran Hauling, Inc. of Gulfport, MS in the amount of \$150,048.50 to be paid from 2025 bond proceeds, as recommended by City Engineer, Bob Escher. CA-2
3. Approved – Administrative - approving Payment Application No. 4 for the 2024 GOMESA grant for West Bulkhead Wall Repair in the amount of \$380,815.38 payable to Gill's Crane & Dozer Service, Inc, as requested by City Engineer, Bob Escher, P.E. CA-3
4. Approved – Administration: approving payment to Overstreet and Associates for invoice #4185 in the amount of \$4,563.00 for 1257 North St. Gravity Sewer Phase II and III, reimbursable by GOMESA Grant, as requested by Jason Overstreet, P.E. CA-4
5. Approved - Administrative - approving the lease agreement for the ice machine located at the Municipal Harbor with Ice Ice Baby for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, as requested by Marian Governor, City Clerk. CA-5
6. Approved - Administrative - accepting donation of a picnic table and ramp for dogs from Playcore for Trinity Dog Park and add to City inventory, as requested by Mary Bourdin, Representative. CA-

7. Approved - Court –approving restitution payments of \$2,040.00 and \$1,965.00 to the City of Pass Christian received from Richard Ross and Ethel Ross. On June 9, 2022, Mr. and Mrs. Ross were convicted of Animal Cruelty and ordered to pay the City of Pass Christian restitution for the Harrison County Humane Society bill. These payments complete that requirement, as requested by Judge Negrotto. CA-7
8. Approved - Court –approving restitution payment of \$250.00 to Kathy Clements. Lori Lassabe was ordered to pay \$250.00 in restitution to Kathy Clements on 12/14/2022. Restitution was paid in full on June 30/2023, as requested by Judge Negrotto. CA-8
9. Approved - Court –approving restitution in the amount of \$522.19 to Robert Guyotte. Antoine Biggs was ordered to pay restitution on December 1, 2017, in the amount of \$1,320.43 to Robert Guyotte for medical bills. These are ongoing payments, as requested by Judge Negrotto. CA-9
10. Approved - Fire – approving the surplus and disposal of LINKSYS ROUTER EA6400 FD (Tag #03646), located in the LT. ROOM STATION #1, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman.
11. Approved - Fire –approving request to send Lieutenant Jeremy McLeod to attend FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES INSTRUCTOR LEVEL II, NFPA at the MSFA May 18-21, 2026. There is a \$250 course fee, (001-220-610), per diem \$112, (001-220-610) and use of City vehicle, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman. CA-11
12. Approved – Fire – approving request to send Inspector Jeff Klemmer to attend FIRE INVESTIGATOR, NFPA 1033 - 102 at the MSFA May 4-14, 2026. There is a \$500 course fee (001-220-610), per diem \$224 (001-220-610) and use of City vehicle, as requested by Fire Chief Woodman. CA-12
13. Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and second by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved ratifying accepting the resignation of Kaylon Plessy effective Wednesday, April 1, 2026, pay him for any comp-time and vacation pay per City policy that he may have

accrued while employed, and approve advertisement of that position, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master. CA-13

14. Approved - Harbor - ratifying the termination of Steven Munn effective Monday March 23, 2026, pay him for any comp-time and vacation pay per City policy that he may have accrued while employed as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master.

15. Approved - Harbor - took no action approving hiring Owen Tomlinson as Harbor Service employee at a rate of \$13.46, pending background checks and physical/drug screens, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master.

16. Approved - Harbor - approving the installation of a covered boatlift at Pier B, Slip 31 for Edward Pitard, at the tenant's expense. All construction will comply with harbor modifications guidelines and will be installed by Innovative Builders, who will obtain DMR/City permits before installation, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master.

17. Approved - Harbor - approving the installation of a covered boatlift at Pier C, Slip 3 for Lee Klein, at the tenant's expense. All construction will comply with harbor modifications guidelines and will be installed by Fairtide Marine and Construction, who will obtain DMR/City permits before installation, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master.

18. Approved - Harbor - approving the installation of uncovered boatlifts, at the tenant's expense. All construction will comply with harbor modifications guidelines and will be installed by Fairtide Marine and Construction, who will obtain DMR/City permits before installation, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master.

- Pier C, Slip 4 Tyler Watters
- Pier C, Slip 5 Trey Moore

19. Approved – Harbor - approving the disposal of eight deteriorated picnic tables. Replacement is not requested at this time; however, future replacement will be evaluated as needed, as requested by James Butcher. Harbormaster
20. Approved – Harbor - motion to transfer a 2011 Ford Ranger from the Harbor Department to the Beautification Department. Asset# 00228, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master.
21. Approved – Planning - motion to approve a lot-split of tax parcel number 0313G-02-083.002 addressed as 227 Hiern Avenue. The current zoning is T3R and the lot is currently 147 feet in width and 233.3 on the south side and 235.5 feet on the north side in length, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA- 21
22. Approved – Planning –motion to approve the lot merge of tax parcel numbers 0213A-02-046.000 and 0213A-02-045.000 to create one larger sized parcel and will be addressed at 120 Fairway Drive, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA- 22
23. Approved – Planning –motion to approve a lot line adjustment for tax parcel numbers 0512K-04-084.000, 0512N-01-016.000, 0512N-01-015.003, 0512N-01-015.002, and 0512N-01-015.000, located at 104-114 Eleanor Avenue and 0 Ellis Street, as requested by Melodie Hayes, City Planner. CA-23
24. Approved – Police –removing Rony Polizzi from part-time list of reserve officers, as requested by Police Chief Freeman.
25. Approved – Police – accepting resignation from Officer Stepheon Johnson effective April 10, 2026, and pay him for any comp-time and vacation pay per City policy that he may have accrued while employed, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-25
26. Approved – Police – approving new membership and request to send Chief Daren Freeman and Captain Ryan Henry to 2026 MDIAI (MS Division of the International Association for Identification) held April 13-15, 2026, in Pascagoula, MS. Membership is \$25 annually and

registration is \$155 each (total of \$360 for both officers). No lodging required and use of a City vehicle is requested, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-26

27. Approved – Police –approving new membership for Chief Daren Freeman for National Association of Forensic Science Boards at \$100 per year, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-27

- National Association of Forensic Science Boards \$100/year
- International Homicide Investigators Association \$ 55/year

28. Approved – Police – approving request to send Chief Daren Freeman, Inv. Gaspar Guerra and Inv. Steve Morris to Beyond the Obvious: Advanced Skills in Death Scene Analysis course held May 21-22, 2026, in Biloxi, MS. Tuition is \$698 total. No lodging required and use of a City vehicle is requested, as requested by Police Chief Freeman. CA-28

29. Approved – approving the minutes of December 16, 2025, Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-29

30. Approved –approving the minutes of March 17, 2026, Regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting, with changes, as requested by Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Sanders. CA-30

CLAIMS DOCKET

Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and second by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved the Claims Docket in the amount of \$3,850.00. CD-1

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and second by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved the Claims Docket in the amount of \$361,279.15. CD-1

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and second by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved to accept the addendum.

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Upon motion of Alderman Joe Piernas and second by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved hiring Nicole Miller and James Ball as Harbor Service employees at a rate of \$13.46, pending background checks and physical/drug screens, as requested by James Butcher, Harbormaster.

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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and second by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved ratifying the resignation of Dylan Fuson effective April 6, 2026. and pay him for any comp time and vacation pay per City Policy that he may have accrued while employed, as requested by James Butcher, Harbor Master.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Greg Federico the Board unanimously approved accepting a donation from Pass Christian Main Street in the amount of \$15,276.14 and amend budget line item 001.301.919 which will be utilized for the purchase of playground equipment at War Memorial Park and approve the quote from Planet Recess in the amount of \$27,276.14 with the remaining balance of \$12,000.00 to be paid from the 2025 bond proceeds, as requested by Pass Christian Main Street. AD-3

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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Joe Piernas the Board unanimously approved awarding quote for A/C unit for Randolph Center to Southland Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc. in the amount of \$5000.00 (Bond proceeds) to replace damaged A/C unit, as

requested by Kirk Ladner, Public Works Director. AD-4

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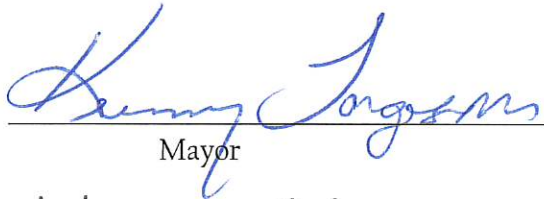
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Upon motion of Alderman Greg Federico and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved to recess at 7:04 p.m. until the next Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting on April 21, 2026.

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Mayor

4-21-2026

Date



City Clerk

4-21-2026

Date