

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando met for the Special Meeting at City Hall on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. with Mayor Tom Ferguson presiding. Aldermen present were: Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant (via phone), Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks (via phone), and Alderman Hobbs. Also present were: City Clerk Katie Harbin, City Attorney Kenny Stockton, Public Works Director Mikey Dyer, Planning Director Keith Briley, Community and Economic Development Director Gia Matheny, City Engineer Joe Frank Lauderdale, Mayor Executive Assistant Jessica Green, and Sibonie Swatzyna.

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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

Date: March 24, 2020

To: All Aldermen of the Municipality of Hernando, Mississippi

From: Mayor Tom Ferguson

Subject: Special Meeting

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando shall be held on March 24, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. at the City Hall Building in the City of Hernando, Mississippi.

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- 1) Amend Ordinance in regards to COVID-19 (adopted 3/23/2020)

This notice is given pursuant to and in compliance with Section 21-3-21 of the Mississippi Code. Please be present.

Tom Ferguson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Katie Harbin, City Clerk

Alderman were notified by phone, March 24, 2020.

Agenda
City of Hernando
Mayor and Board of Alderman
Special Meeting

March 24, 2020

3:30pm

- 1) Call the meeting to order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Invocation
- 4) Approve Agenda

- 5) Adopt Ordinance for the Purpose of Repealing that Certain “Ordinance by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi Declaring a Civil Emergency and for the Control of Contagious and Infectious Diseases and for Purposes Related Thereto in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic as Previously Recognized by the State of Mississippi and the United States of America” as adopted on March 23, 2020 by the City of Hernando, Mississippi
- 6) Adopt Ordinance of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando, Mississippi, providing Penalties for Violation of a Civil Emergency
- 7) Adopt Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi, Declaring a Civil Emergency and for the Control of Contagious and Infectious Diseases and for Purposes Related Thereto
- 8) Adjourn

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Hobbs to approve the agenda as presented. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, and Alderman Hobbs.

Those voting “Nay”: None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 24th day of March, 2020.

ADOPT ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPEALING THAT CERTAIN “ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR THE CITY OF HERNANDO, MISSISSIPPI DECLARING A CIVIL EMERGENCY AND FOR THE CONTROL OF CONTAGIOUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND FOR PURPOSES RELATED THERETO IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AS PREVIOUSLY RECOGNIZED BY THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA” AS ADOPTED MARCH 23, 2020 BY THE CITY OF HERNANDO

Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs and seconded by Alderman Harris to adopt an Ordinance for the purpose of repealing that certain “Ordinance by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi declaring a Civil Emergency and For the Control of Contagious and Infectious Diseases and for Purposes Related Thereto In Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic as Previously Recognized by the State of Mississippi and the United States of America” as adopted March 23, 2020 by the City of Hernando. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, and Alderman Harris

Those voting “Nay”: None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 24th day of March, 2020.

AMEND AGENDA

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3:30pm

- 9) Call the meeting to order
- 10) Pledge of Allegiance
- 11) Invocation
- 12) Approve Agenda
- 13) Adopt Ordinance for the Purpose of Repealing that Certain “Ordinance by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi Declaring a Civil Emergency and for the Control of Contagious and Infectious Diseases and for Purposes Related Thereto in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic as Previously Recognized by the State of Mississippi and the United States of America” as adopted on March 23, 2020 by the City of Hernando, Mississippi
- 14) Adopt Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi, Declaring a Civil Emergency and for the Control of Contagious and Infectious Diseases and for Purposes Related Thereto
- 15) Adopt Ordinance of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando, Mississippi, providing Penalties for Violation of a Civil Emergency
- 16) Adjourn

Motion was duly made by Alderman Hobbs and seconded by Alderman Miller to amend the agenda to move item # 7 “Adopt Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi, Declaring a Civil Emergency and for the Control of Contagious and Infectious Diseases and for Purposes Related Thereto” to be item # 6 and the current item #6 “Adopt Ordinance of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Hernando, Mississippi, providing Penalties for Violation of a Civil Emergency” to be item # 7. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris and Alderman Bryant.

Those voting “Nay”: None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 24th day of March, 2020.

ADOPT RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR THE CITY OF HERNANDO, MISSISSIPPI, DECLARING A CIVIL EMERGENCY AND FOR THE CONTROL OF CONTAGIOUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND FOR PURPOSES RELATED THERETO

Motion was duly made by Alderman Miller and seconded by Alderman Higdon to adopt a Resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi declaring a Civil Emergency and For the Control of Contagious and Infectious Diseases and for Purposes Related Thereto, waiving the reading. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “Aye”: Alderman McLendon, Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, and Alderman Higdon.

Those voting “Nay”: None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 24th day of March, 2020.

Pete Zee, 1 Memphis Street, asked the Board if there will be any variance allowed to this Resolution. Mr. Zee stated that they have been postponing all of the weddings and events that they can, but he has two brides that are not able to postpone. I am asking on their behalf if we would be able to get a variance to where they can still have their wedding. We can space them apart inside the venue. Both of the brides are in the medical field and understand everything going on with the virus and the chance they would be taking.

Mayor Ferguson stated we feel your hardship, a lot of people are going through this.

Pete Zee stated we have a lot of space. We could have at least 6 feet or more between everyone. They can't move their dates because of work and other commitments.

Mayor Ferguson said he thinks that would be difficult. Would there be a caterer?

Pete Zee answered the food would be dropped off. One bride doesn't have another date because of her work, and her husband will be leaving town.

Mayor Ferguson asked if anyone there had any ideas.

Alderman Harris stated no, we can't. An example, we just lost a good friend, we couldn't have a memorial.

Alderman McLendon stated they can still use the place if they have 10 or less.

Mayor Ferguson answered yes.

Alderman McLendon stated if the MS Department of Health changes its recommendations, would we have to come up here to vote.

Kenny Stockton answered yes. You'd have to meet and amend the Resolution.

**ADOPT ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY
OF HERNANDO, MISSISSIPPI, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF A
CIVIL EMERGENCY**

Motion was duly made by Alderman Harris and seconded by Alderman Higdon to adopt an Ordinance of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Hernando, Mississippi providing penalties for violation of a Civil Emergency. A vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting "Aye": Alderwoman Brooks, Alderman Hobbs, Alderman Harris, Alderman Bryant, Alderman Miller, Alderman Higdon, and Alderman McLendon.

Those voting "Nay": None.

ORDERED AND DONE this the 24th day of March, 2020.

ADJOURN

There being no further business at this time a motion was duly made by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Higdon to adjourn.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote of "Aye".

MAYOR TOM FERGUSON

ATTEST:

KATIE HARBIN, CITY CLERK