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NOTICE OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SOUTHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI

In accordance with Mississippi Code Annotated §21-3-21, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Southaven shall be held on Thursday, the 31st day of May, 2018 at 10:00 AM in the Boardroom at Southaven City Hall, located at 8710 Northwest Drive, Southaven, Mississippi.

The subject matters of business (Agenda) to be acted upon at this Special Meeting are as follows, to-wit:

1. Parks Enhancement Plan

This Special Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen is hereby called by the Mayor, Darren Musselwhite, on this, the 30th day of May, 2018:

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Darren Musselwhite, Mayor

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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF May 31, 2018 OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SOUTHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Southaven, Mississippi met in a Special Session on the 31st day of May, 2018 at ten o'clock (10:00) a.m. at City Hall.

Present were:

William Brooks	Alderman At Large
Kristian Kelly	Alderman, Ward 1
Charlie Hoots	Alderman, Ward 2
George Payne	Alderman, Ward 3
Joel Gallagher	Alderman, Ward 4
Raymond Flores	Alderman, Ward 6

Absent were:

John Wheeler	Alderman, Ward 5
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Also present were Mayor Musselwhite, Andrea Mullen, City Clerk, and Nick Manley, City Attorney. Approximately five (5) other people were present.

Mayor Musselwhite called the meeting to order. Alderman Gallagher led in prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderman Payne.

2018-2022 Parks Expansion Long Term Plan Discussion

Alderman Gallagher made the motion to open the meeting for discussion. Motion was seconded by Alderman Payne.

Mayor Musselwhite discussed the proposed plan for park enhancements and asked for ideas from Board of Alderman present. The following were discussed:

- Leveling of the Arena Floor
- Springfest Pavement Parking Lot
- Snowden Soccer
- Field of Dreams Play Ground
- Splash Park
- Central Park Track
- Indoor training facility for Softball at Greenbrook Park

Mayor Musselwhite explained that they were looking at a five (5) year loan that will coincide with tourism revenue. Approximate cost for all projects is \$7,375,000.

Chris Wilson, City Administrator, stated that this is a revenue bond as 100% of the revenue will be coming from tourism revenue and that the sooner a decision is made, the better as the Fed Fund Rate is in the low 3's right now.

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Alderman Hoots expressed the need to continue to promote the West End District. Alderman Hoots stated that he would like to see more amenities at the parks and stated that he will not support a splash park or Snowden Soccer.

Alderman Payne stated that he liked the idea of the Springfest parking, a Performing Arts Center, arena volleyball, making parks more handicap accessible and adding walking trails at Central Park.

Alderman Brooks added that he liked the idea of retrofitting a building for the Performing Arts Center.

Alderman Kelly expressed concerns with the splash park, but liked all other presented.

Alderman Flores expressed concerns with the splash park and building a performing arts center at this time.

After much discussion among the Board of Alderman in regards to their priorities for the Parks Expansion Plan, a motion was made by Alderman Brooks to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Alderman Kelly. Motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, May 31, 2018 at 11:54 a.m.

Darren Musselwhite,
Mayor

Andrea Mullen,
City Clerk
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