

**SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023, AT 5:30 P. M.  
CITY HALL, PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI**

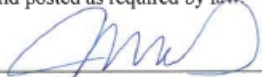
The City Council of the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, met at City Hall in a special call meeting on Monday, October 30, 2023, at 5:30 p.m., as per the following notice:

**NOTICE OF A SPECIAL CALL MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASCAGOULA  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023, AT 5:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL, PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Pascagoula will meet at City Hall on Monday, October 30, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of holding an executive session for personnel and appointing a municipal judge.

We, the undersigned members of the City Council of the City of Pascagoula, MS, do hereby waive further notice of and consent to a special call meeting of the City Council at 5:30 p.m. on October 30, 2023, in the City Hall of the City for the purpose hereinabove stated.

This notice and consent is being given pursuant to Section 21-9-39 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as annotated and amended. A copy of this notice and consent to a special meeting shall be sent by the City Clerk to local media and posted as required by law.

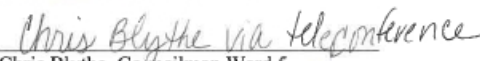
  
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Jay Willis, Mayor

  
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Michael L. Hyde, Councilman Ward 1

  
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Felix Fornett, Councilman Ward 2

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Johnny Walker, Councilman Ward 3

  
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Matt Parker, Councilman Ward 4

  
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Chris Blythe, Councilman Ward 5

  
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Patrick Gatchell, Councilman at Large

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Mayor Willis welcomed everyone to the meeting. The invocation was given by Councilman Parker. The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilman Fornett.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Councilman Fornett made a motion to enter a closed session to determine whether or not to declare an executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hyde, and received the following vote: Mayor Willis “AYE”, Councilmen Gatchell “AYE”, Hyde “AYE”, Fornett “AYE”, Walker “ABSENT”, Parker “AYE”, and Blythe “AYE”. (Approved 10-30-2023)

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Councilman Parker made a motion to go into executive session for personnel related to the municipal judge position. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fornett and received the following vote: Mayor Willis “AYE”, Councilmen Gatchell “AYE”, Hyde “AYE”, Fornett “AYE”, Walker “ABSENT”, Parker “AYE”, and Blythe “AYE”. Council voted to enter executive session regarding these items because discussion of said items in open session could be detrimental to the City. Michael Silverman, City Manager, announced to the public and those in attendance that the Council had voted to go into executive session for the purpose stated above. The Council then began executive session. (Approved 10-30-2023)

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Councilman Parker made a motion to close executive session and return to open session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gatchell and received the following vote: Mayor Willis “AYE”, Councilmen Gatchell “AYE”, Hyde “AYE”, Fornett “AYE”, Walker “ABSENT”, Parker “AYE”, and Blythe “AYE”. (Approved 10-30-2023)

The following actions were taken in executive session:

Councilman Parker made a motion to amend the agenda to add consideration of a motion to appoint a municipal judge and municipal judge pro tem. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gatchell and received the following vote: Mayor Willis “AYE”, Councilmen Gatchell “AYE”, Hyde “AYE”, Fornett “AYE”, Walker “ABSENT”, Parker “AYE”, and Blythe “AYE”. (Approved 10-30-2022)

Councilman Parker made a motion to appoint Matt Lachaussee as Municipal Judge and Kaleigh Nelson as Municipal Judge Pro Tem, with terms expiring June 30, 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gatchell and received the following vote: Mayor Willis “AYE”, Councilmen Gatchell “AYE”, Hyde “AYE”, Fornett “AYE”, Walker “ABSENT”, Parker “AYE”, and Blythe “AYE”. (Approved 10-30-2022)

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There being no further business to come before the Council tonight, Councilman Fornett made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Parker and received the following vote: Mayor Willis “AYE”, Councilmen Gatchell “AYE”, Hyde “AYE”, Fornett “AYE”, Walker “ABSENT”, Parker “AYE”, and Blythe “AYE”.

The meeting ended at 5:50 p.m.

APPROVED:

/s/ Jay Willis  
Jay Willis, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Carol Groen  
Carol Groen, Deputy City Clerk