



**RECESS MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF OCEAN SPRINGS - MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026 - 6:00 PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT** *** The Public is invited to address the Board for up to 5 minutes each for a maximum period of 30 minutes, **ONLY regarding issues listed on this agenda.** The Board will take all comments under advisement for potential action if warranted. **Please identify yourself and the agenda item.** If no agenda item is stated, you will be asked to hold your comment until General Public Comment at the end of the meeting.*
- 4. OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Appoint Civil Service Commissioner
 - b. Discussion: Draft Resolution establishing a temporary moratorium on certain residential development applications
 - c. Resolution adjusting the appointment schedules of appointed members of the Ocean Springs School District Board of Trustees
- 5. CONSENT AGENDA** ** All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Aldermen and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*

Mayor/BOA:

- a. Adopt Revised Resolution 2026-009 to request surplus equipment from the Jackson County Board of Supervisors - 1998 Mack Tractor Truck
- b. Authorize and waive all associated fees for the Ocean Springs High School boys soccer club to host a banquet at the Civic Center on Monday, March 23, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.; to advertise the resources of the city
- c. Authorize and waive all associated fees for Switzer/Tiblier/Peltier classes to go to Stephen Parker ball fields and Ryan Youth Center on a walking field trip on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; to advertise the resources of the city

- d. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for Flower Fest 2026 on April 11, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Traveler Cafe and Art Lawn, road closures on Washington Ave. and Joseph St., at no cost to the City, the applicant pays the associated event cost
- e. Authorize the Ocean Springs Education Foundation – Crawfish & Cornhole for Classrooms event the use, without charge, of 90 barricades, 15 trash cans, and two generator-powered light banks for April 17, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Mary C. O’Keefe Cultural Center as a City sponsorship to promote and advertise the resources of the City of Ocean Springs
- f. Authorize and waive all associated costs for the Ocean Springs Junior Citizens Club to host a new member induction ceremony on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, from 4:30 p.m.- 6:00 p.m., on the stage at Fort Maurepas; to advertise the resources of the city
- g. Authorize and waive all associated fees for the Ocean Springs High School Tennis Team to host their end-of-the-year banquet at the Civic Center on Thursday, April 30, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m.; to advertise the resources of the city
- h. Approve the Special Event Permit Application for Taylor Family Reunion on June 13, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at Front Beach Ocean Springs, at no cost to the City the applicant pays the associated event cost
- i. Authorize \$1,000.00 payment from Ward 5 funds to support a beautification project in the Spanish Cove Subdivision common area
- j. Authorize \$1,000.00 payment from Ward 5 funds to the Bienville Place Owners Association for neighborhood entrance sign and landscaping enhancements

Mary C. O’Keefe Cultural Center:

- k. Authorize acceptance of a \$1,007.00 donation from the Mississippi Songwriters Association for Media Room technology equipment and allocate the donation to the appropriate budget line items
- l. Authorize the Mayor and Mary C. Director to execute the Memorandums of Understanding for programming partnerships at the Mary C. O’Keefe Cultural Arts Center with Wanda Norton, Haven Hale, Meranda Hudson & Morgan Ollinger, Arielle Victoria, and Old Time Sailors

City Clerk:

- m. Approve Minutes: Recess Meeting February 18, 2026
- n. Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting March 6, 2026
- o. Adopt a Resolution requesting the annual \$260,000 payment from Jackson County for recreational services pursuant to the Memorandum of Agreement

Police Department:

- p. Accept OSPD Monthly Report for February 2026

Fire Department:

- q. Accept OSFD Monthly Report for February 2026

Human Resources/Risk Management:

- r. Authorize promotion of Police Sergeant Daniel Wanhala to Lieutenant, effective March 28, 2026; \$27.48 hourly rate; six months probationary status
- s. Accept resignation of Patrolman Matthew Geis, effective March 10, 2026; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- t. Authorize removal of Police Sergeant James Parker from probationary status to full time status effective April 7, 2026
- u. Authorize removal of Patrolman Nicholas Hayes from probationary status to full time status effective immediately
- v. Authorize employment of Susan Powell, Part-time Dispatcher, effective March 18, 2026; \$18.00 hourly rate; pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- w. Accept resignation of Firefighter Seth Tillman, effective March 11, 2026; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- x. Authorize employment of Jordan Turner, Firefighter, effective March 23, 2026; \$13.64 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- y. Authorize extension of probationary period for Parks Employee #2803 for six months
- z. Authorize removal of Beautification Laborer Andrew Harris from probationary status to full time status effective immediately
- aa. Authorize removal of Street Laborer Brittany Gorsline from probationary status to full time status effective immediately
- bb. Authorize extension of probationary period for Public Works Employee #2845 for six months
- cc. Accept termination of Public Works Employee #2148, effective March 5, 2026; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- dd. Accept resignation of Truck Driver Raymond Smith, effective March 14, 2026; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- ee. Accept termination of Public Works Employee #2874, effective March 9, 2026; authorize to begin the process of filling the vacant position
- ff. Authorize employment of Charles White, Truck Driver, effective March 18, 2026; \$18.41 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements

- gg. Authorize employment of Shawn Johnson, Street Laborer, effective March 18, 2026; \$15.00 hourly rate; one year probationary status, pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
- hh. Authorize position grade and step adjustments for certain City employees/positions effective March 28, 2026, as recommended by the Human Resources Director and Finance Director and outlined in the attached memorandum

Planning Commission (PC):

- ii. Accept PC Minutes for February 10, 2026 Meeting

Zoning Adjustment Board (ZAB):

- jj. Accept ZAB Minutes for February 10, 2026 Meeting
- kk. Approve a variance for a side yard setback from 10' to 7' 6" on the north side of the property to construct an addition onto the existing house at 512 Dewey Ave - PIDN: 60137336.000; ZAB recommends approval
- ll. Deny a variance for a rear yard setback from 25' to 10' to construct a 500 square foot addition to the existing house at 279 Holcomb Blvd — PIDN: 61135041.050; ZAB recommends denial

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC):

- mm. Accept HPC Minutes for February 12, 2026 Meeting
- nn. Approve a request for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) to remove and replace the existing limestone driveway with a combination of concrete and brick pavers, and remove and replace the existing concrete walkways with brick pavers at 525 Jackson Ave - PIDN: 60137098.000; HPC recommends approval
- oo. Approve a request for a COA to construct a 6' x 53' elevated platform along the southwest side of the residence, connecting the existing front and rear porches, install a 4' black fence along the southwest side property line and bulkhead, and extend the existing garage toward the rear of the property by 16' located at 1217 Sunset Ave - PIDN: 60119030.110; HPC recommends approval
- pp. Approve a request for a COA to construct a 12' x 35' gravel driveway connecting to the existing walkway and to paint the exterior brick house with an off-white masonry limewash at 1211 Bowen Ave - PIDN: 60137096.000; HPC recommends approval

Building Department:

- qq. Accept the Building Department Permit Report for February 2026
- rr. Approve the Building Official's recommendations for the tree applications received through March 11, 2026
- ss. Accept Code Enforcement Report through March 11, 2026

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- a. City Clerk: Approve payment: Docket of Claims, all expenditures are appropriate and authorized by law, and spread the summary on the Minutes
- b. City Clerk: Authorize the adjustment of water/sewer accounts due to a finding that the customers did not receive the benefit of the utility and the excess usage was due to unforeseen circumstances
- c. City Clerk: Budget Amendment – Second Quarter FY 2026

7. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT *The public is invited to address the Board, for up to 5 minutes each for a maximum period of 30 minutes. The Board will take all comments under advisement to take potential action at a later date if warranted. Priority will be given to Ocean Springs residents and Business Owners. **Please identify yourself before speaking.***

8. MAYOR AND ALDERMEN'S FORUM

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN UNTIL 6:00 P.M. on APRIL 7, 2026