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Man who assaulted police gets 35 years

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MADISON — A Jackson man received a sentence of 35 years in prison after he was convicted on charges related to a high-speed chase with law enforcement that began in the city last year, District Attorney Bubba Bramlett announced this week.



Jonathan
Gray

The man, Jonathan Santino Gray, 30, of Jackson pleaded guilty in Madison County Circuit Court to three counts of aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer, felony evasion, motor vehicle theft, and being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm. He was sentenced to serve 35 years in the custody of MDOC, according to Bramlett.

“Let this case be a warning to anyone thinking of running through Madison or Rankin counties and using your vehicle as a weapon against our officers,” Bramlett said who is the DA for the district that comprises both counties. “We will not take that lightly and you will face serious prison time for your actions.”

On September 28, 2022, Gray stole a work vehicle from a contractor in the Silverleaf subdivision, Bramlett said.

“Officers from the Sheriff’s Department, Madison PD, Ridgeland PD, and the US Marshalls Task Force were all involved in the capture of this dangerous man,” Bramlett said.

“Jonathan Gray had absolutely zero regard for anyone else as he sped down Highland Colony during the middle of the work day.”

Officers quickly located the vehicle in the city of Madison and attempted to stop Gray. According to Bramlett, he refused to stop — going over 90 miles per hour as he fled south on the Highland Colony Parkway until he entered the city of Ridgeland where he rammed several police vehicles in an attempt to further elude law enforcement.

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Mannsdale Upper Elementary fourth-grade students gather around a newly-placed plaque commemorating the class’ project to have the

blueberry named as the official fruit for the State of Mississippi. Gov. Tate Reeves signed the bill into law last month.

STATE FRUIT SIGNED INTO LAW

Project Blueberry plaque unveiled at Mannsdale Upper Elementary

By STAFF REPORTS
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Mannsdale Upper Elementary commemorated the school’s history-making Project Blueberry with a permanent plaque installed among freshly planted blueberry bushes last week.

Students, teachers, and parents gathered on the school’s campus last Friday to unveil the plaque honoring the students and teachers who dreamed big and led to the creation of a new legislation establishing the blueberry as Mississippi’s state fruit.

Earlier this year fourth-grade students and their teacher Lisa Parenteau were inspired to begin the process of establishing a state fruit for Mississippi.

After reading an article in Scholastic Magazine about students in Kansas working to support the adoption of a state fruit, the Mannsdale students began researching fruits grown in Mississippi and reached out to their local representative, Jill Ford.

“After reading that article, my class asked me if Mississippi had a state



The plaque lists the names of the fourth graders and teachers.

fruit,” Parenteau told the Journal earlier this year. “I Googled it and saw we in fact didn’t have one. They then went out at recess and polled students to see what their favorite fruit was and had choices such as watermelon, grapes, strawberries, and more. I told

them to do some research, and we discovered the blueberry was responsible for nearly \$2 million in state tax revenue and is widely grown in the state.”

Students selected the blueberry because it is nutritious and an impor-

tant crop in Mississippi, according to Gene Wright, Madison County Schools director of communications.

In collaboration with the students, Rep. Ford in January introduced Project Blueberry as House Bill 1027, proposing the blueberry as Mississippi’s official state fruit.

“Ultimately, I believe these young leaders learned no matter how small their ideas may seem, they can make big differences,” Ford told the Journal in March. “I am so proud of them and their accomplishment of seeing their blueberry bill signed into law.”

Parenteau’s students reached out to senators and representatives from across the state, lobbying for their cause.

They took a field trip to the state Capitol where they met with the Speaker of the House and Lieutenant Governor and were recognized in the House chamber for their civic engagement.

Project Blueberry was signed into law by Gov. Tate Reeves on Monday, March 13, officially making the blueberry Mississippi’s state fruit.



Madison Crossing Principal Terri Thornton with students Akili Turner, Gabriel Pezold and Bryce Holmes.

INSPIRING EDUCATOR

Madison Crossing principal retires after 29 years

By JOHN LEE
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Retiring Madison Crossing Principal Terri Thornton has been described as a wonderful and kind human being who would give you the shirt off of her back.

“She is one of a kind and it will be hard shoes for someone to fill,” said school secretary Renee Lewis who has worked for Mrs. Thornton for eight years.

“She supports the staff, children, and parents, and she’s a great leader who treats everyone with respect and the way she would want to be treated. I wish her the best in her endeavors and I will miss her.”

Thornton has been in education for 29 years and said it was her first grade teacher that had a large impact on her going into education and ultimately administration.

“She would always share stories with me about learning to read and what I could become, and I felt so inspired by her,” Thornton said. “I always knew I wanted to be a teacher. I think it was a calling, and it was God’s purpose. My purpose was to serve children and families.”

Thornton grew up in Bay Springs and graduated from Jackson State University. Her first job as a teacher was teaching fourth grade math at the Power APAC School in Jack-

son. She most recently came to Madison Crossing in 2013 as an assistant principal.

“The Power APAC principal at the time is who inspired me to become a principal,” Thornton said. “She genuinely cared and always had my best interests at heart, and her leadership style is what led to mine. Always make sure your people are taken care of.”

Before coming to Madison Crossing, Thornton worked for Luther Branson Elementary and Velma Jackson High School in northern Madison County.

She’s always felt being in education wasn’t something she had to do, but something she chose to do, and serving Madison Crossing is something for

which she will forever be grateful.

“I’m transitioning to another phase of my career, and I hope these students understand that I am not just leaving them,” she said. “I don’t know what’s next, but I know it will be something different. God has a way of showing you things, and I feel it’s time for me to go.”

Thornton said her favorite part of serving Madison Crossing has been building lifelong relationships with students and their families, and said there isn’t a single person she can walk up to and greet without a smile.

“Building these relationships is what I enjoy most,” she said.

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Bless This Food Catering opens in Madison

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MADISON — Bless This Food Catering has officially opened a new location here after a ribbon cutting last week.

The new location is off Highway 51 between Hokkaido Hibachi Grill and Refinery Salon.

The Madison the City Chamber of Commerce held the ribbon cutting for Bless This Food last Wednesday and several city officials were present, including Fire Chief Derrick Layton, Janet Danks, assistant to the Mayor, Alderman-at-Large Sandra Strain, Ward 6 Alderman Guy Bowering, and Ward 2 Alderman Pat Peeler.

Owner Teresa Sones said Mayor Mary Hawkins-Butler has been a Bless This Food customer for many years, and always asked if they could come to Madison.

“Mayor Mary told me, ‘we’ve got to get you guys in



A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held last week for Bless This Food catering in Madison.

“I go to church at Madison Heights. A lot of the young mothers there did not want to cook supper, and I offered to cook for them. And it just went crazy from there.”

Bless This Food was established in 2008 in Flora and provides a variety of meals, cakes, and gourmet breads. They have locations in Flora, Pearl, and most recently, Madison.

The service specializes in pre-prepared meals such as poppyseed chicken and chicken spaghetti for busy people

with tight schedules, or those who want a break from the kitchen. They handle catering needs for a number of functions including weddings, pharmaceutical lunches, baby showers, holiday dinners, and more.

Their menu includes a huge variety of dishes, including chicken and dumplings, lasagna, shrimp and grits, pulled pork, red beans and rice, poppy seed chicken, chicken spaghetti, chicken parmesan, chicken Alfredo, several types of homemade bread including sourdough, cinnamon rolls, banana bread, and more. Customers can also choose from a multitude of sweet dishes including iced cakes, pound cakes, cobblers, scones, cookies, brownies, and banana pudding.

Bless This Food is open from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday and closed on Sundays. During these hours, customers can not only request catering, but can also come in and buy pre-made dinners that feed a

small group of 2-3 people, or large groups of up to 12.

Alderman Bowering said he is glad Bless This Food has come to Madison.

“Thank you for choosing Madison,” Bowering said. “The response has been great.”

The Bless This Food Catering is located at 1029 Hwy. 51 Suite F2 in Madison. For more information about Bless This Food Catering, call (601) 790-7151, or visit their website at www.blessthisfoodcatering.com.

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“He drove into oncoming traffic and caused property damage to both local business

owners and the police department’s vehicle,” Bramlett said.

As Gray changed directions and headed toward Ridgeland High School, officers made the decision to disable the vehicle before he could reach the school, Bramlett said.

“When someone uses a

vehicle to intentionally hit officers – whether they are in the cruisers or not – that is an aggravated assault by use of a deadly weapon,” Bramlett said.

“It is a miracle that no one was injured in this matter and that officers were able to stop the evasion before it got any closer

to the high school.”

Officers with the US Marshalls Service were able to both disable the vehicle and take Gray into custody. Officers reportedly found a 9 mm handgun located in Gray’s possession after he was taken into custody.

Retire

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“Every student matters and every moment counts. You are somebody. It doesn’t matter where you come from. Everyone deserves a great education, and I want to be remembered for my love of people and humanity, and how you should

treat people. When people walk through that door at Madison Crossing, they need to feel welcome and feel the culture.”

“It has been an honor and privilege to serve as Principal Thornton at Madison Crossing Elementary,” Thornton said.

“This is your school, and thank you for allowing me to be a part of this amazing school community.”

Madison Crossing fifth grader Mason Baggett said he

always enjoyed having Thornton as his principal and neighbor, and she has been a great leader for Madison Crossing.

“I won’t know how it’s going to be after Mrs. Thornton leaves since I’ll be going to a different school, but my brother will still be here and I heard it’ll be another great principal,” Baggett said. “Mrs. Thornton is really nice and I will miss her.”

Meet the Candidates

The Madison County Journal is authorized to announce the following candidates:

Tax Collector
Shelton Vance
(Republican)

District 25 State Senate
J. Walter Michel
(Republican)

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The City of Ridgeland hereby gives notice that its annual audited financial report for the year ended September 30, 2022 has been completed. Copies are available to the public at Ridgeland City Hall, 100 West School Street, Ridgeland, MS. The report is also available for viewing online at www.ridgelandms.org.

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Chipotle holds grand opening in Ridgeland

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The long-awaited Chipotle Mexican Grill on County Line Road opened Wednesday to customers.

The restaurant was filled with people at 10:30 a.m. waiting to order food at the first Chipotle location in the Metro area.

The national fast-casual chain is known for Tex-Mex-style food that includes burritos, bowls and salads.

Ridgeland Mayor Gene F. McGee said he and his wife had the privilege of being the first guests served at the new location on Tuesday. The mayor noted that they had a variety of options that were compatible with his vegan diet.

“It was very delicious,” McGee said.

He went on to say that he was impressed by the way the business ran and served customers.

“They are very efficient. they have everything down to a science,” McGee said.

The restaurant is located at 836 East County Line Road in Ridgeland. Before Chipotle, the location was Shrimp Basket and before that, it was Shoney’s next to the Circle K convenience store.

This is the first of two locations slated for Madison County. The second location broke ground in Madison in mid-February. It will be located on Grandview Boulevard behind Zaxby’s and is slated to open by late summer.

Chipotle was founded in Denver, Colo., in 1993, and has become one of the most popular Mexican fast-casual chains in the country, with 2,918.



A line formed at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday with people wanting to eat at the new Chipotle in Ridgeland.

Man leads Gluckstadt Police on chase into Jackson’s Briarwood

By DUNCAN DENT
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GLUCKSTADT — One man is in custody after multiple Madison County law enforcement agencies chased him in a stolen vehicle he was driving

down I-55 Tuesday night into Jackson, the authorities said.

The man, Tryndarius Antonio Timms, 23, was arrested and charged with receiving stolen property.

Gluckstadt Assistant Police Chief Barry Hale said the chase began in Gluckstadt when officers encountered a White GMC Acadia that had been reported stolen out of Jackson.

Hale said Timms’ initial appearance in court will be Thursday.

The driver fled down I-55

around 9:15 p.m. on April 25, where other Madison County agencies joined in the pursuit. The occupants abandoned the vehicle at the intersection of Briarwood Drive and I-55 Frontage Road and fled on foot, officials said.

Timms was located in a wooded area near the intersection, Hale said.

“The investigation is still ongoing and more arrests are possible,” Hale said.

No injuries have been reported.

Hale said Madison PD, Madison County Sheriff’s Department, and the Ridgeland Police Department assisted the Gluckstadt Police Department with the apprehension of Timms in Jackson.



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Cotton Blossom pavinggate

An executive session called by the Board of Supervisors last Monday to discuss choosing an engineering firm for a proposed \$60 million road project was improper and illegal. And at least one supervisor objected. District 2 Supervisor Trey Baxter of Madison said when supervisors went in to discuss two engineering firms who responded to an RFP for the proposed Cotton Blossom Road project he left because the discussion didn’t qualify as an executive session.

And Baxter is exactly right, according to Mississippi law. “I recused myself because I thought executive sessions was called improperly for choosing a professional services contract,” Baxter said last week. “There’s no threat of legal action. There’s no economic development, so I didn’t see the reasoning behind calling for an engineering contract.”

Board Attorney Mike Espy recommended supervisors discuss the matter in executive session.

Espy might be the man you’d want on your side in a government bribe, but not when it comes to government transparency.

Both engineering firms gave presentations to the board in open session prior to Espy steering further discussion in private.

“This could be described as an economic development project,” Espy told board members, saying he didn’t want anybody to make a comment that could border on privileged information.

Graveling driveways and putting down culverts on private property were once thought of as a form of economic development — and maybe privileged for those fortunate beneficiaries of the government.

The state Open Meetings Act allows for a handful of exceptions in closed session such as personnel matters or pending litigation.

Paving a road is not one of the exceptions, to be sure.

The law specifically allows for a meeting to discuss “transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the location, relocation or expansion of a business, medical service or an industry.”

Think of Nissan or Amazon, not paving a single road.

The law also allows for “transaction of business and discussion regarding the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands.”

Baxter is right to insist that neither of those apply in the Cotton Blossom scenario because the discussion was for a professional services contract, which the Mississippi Ethics Commission has ruled aren’t an exception for executive session under the state’s Open Meetings Act at all.

The Cotton Blossom Road project would ultimately connect Highway 43 to Sowell Road via Cotton Blossom Road and create a new east-west corridor.

Waggoner Engineering and the Stantec firm both responded to the RFP and gave presentations to the board where each side was sequestered during the other’s presentation.

Board President Gerald Steen said for him it boiled down to whichever firm would be able to help secure more funding, despite that not being a part of the RFP.

“To me it boils down to the finances,” Steen said during the presentations.

Steen might as well have said it boils down to what he can get out of it since the entire discussion was not in open session.

The board had no public discussion after the presentations and took no action in executive session. They voted to take the matter up at the next board meeting on May 2.

Espy argued in an email response to the Journal late last Wednesday that the Cotton Road Blossom project, as a “large economic development project, could acquire sufficient lands and funds to go forward.

“I also informed the board that one presenter had disclosed information that I considered ‘sensitive and privileged,’ and that this could not be repeated in open session. Again, because of the specter of potential litigation.”

Stantec and Waggoner are both good firms and have done quality work for Madison County, so the issue here is about the lowest cost to taxpayers and being transparent.

Supervisors should bid this out and award at the lowest hourly rate, because either side can now sue if not selected because Steen opened the door and now taxpayers are liable.

Fox’s election fallout

Americans entertaining suspicion about U.S. election integrity had better keep it to themselves. Fox News’ massive monetary settlement in a defamation lawsuit involving the outcome of the 2020 presidential contest flashes a warning no less frightening than the signpost before the gate of hell in Dante’s “Inferno”: “Abandon hope, all ye who enter here.” Asking questions involving possible election devilry is now risky business.

Last week, Fox News found the First Amendment’s free-speech protection a useless shield against a lawsuit over its election coverage. The nation’s top broadcast media organization agreed to pay a reported \$787.5 million to Dominion Election Systems for airing then-President Donald Trump’s allegations of vote-rigging in Dominion’s machines.

The outcome of the case brought in Delaware came as a stunner, but it shouldn’t have: Winning a jury trial in President Biden’s home state would have been difficult in these highly partisan times. Mr. Trump faces similar headwinds in beating charges of business records violations that he faces in New York City, where he received just 23% of the vote.

Fox, with “fair and balanced” news and conservative opinion, made the mistake of looking behind the curtain of the 2020 Trump-Biden faceoff. Its post-election news coverage dared to contain allegations of shenanigans said to tip the election in Mr. Biden’s favor. Included were such segments as reports of polling officials in Detroit kicking out Republican ballot-counting observers; a sudden “plumbing leak” in Atlanta that closed down counting, which later reopened with Democratic poll workers but no Republicans; and most dire, Trump election lawyers claiming Dominion’s ballot-tabulation machinery had been rigged to defeat the sitting president.

Covering all angles of pivotal events is what news organizations do. Accuracy is paramount, of course, but apparent facts that sprout in foggy turmoil can shrivel in the light of day. Sometimes, inconvenient ones are purposely stomped into the dust.

It was the exposure of Fox’s internal deliberations over whether to air allegations of election mischief that brought down misfortune. Documentation of conversations, both spoken and written, revealed a range of opinion — including doubt that charges of Dominion deceit were provable. Presiding Judge Eric Davis concluded that the tabulation-tampering allegations were false, and Fox’s decision to air them amid lingering uncertainty indicated malice.

If Fox is paying up for laying down falsehoods, Democratic-friendly news outlets that broadcast for years the bogus Trump-Russia collusion tale should likewise write big checks. But they’re not. The takeaway: Repeat the officialdom-approved story, or else.

It’s a painful lesson already familiar to an inquiring public. Some earnest folk who brought their concerns to Washington and were caught up in the Jan. 6 melee have been paying for their transgressions ever since. And thanks to controversy-adverse courts in numerous battleground states, efforts to untangle widespread election anomalies of 2020 have come to naught.

Henceforth, the media will be tempted to avoid trouble and mouth mainstream election narratives. After all, curiosity killed the cat and, in this case, trampled Fox. Regardless of who wins future elections, Americans will be the losers: Without fearless reporting, Americans won’t be certain their leaders have won fair and square because the devil is in the details.

— The Washington Times

RICH LOWRY

Moderates dominating 2024 race

Back in 2016, the most moderate Republican candidate in the race was Ohio Gov. John Kasich, who lost everywhere except his home state.

Perhaps the most moderate candidate in the field as of this moment is Donald Trump.

If you want a Republican who won’t cut spending or start foreign wars, Trump is still your man.

Added to this now is clearly a discomfort with the fight over abortion in the post-Roe environment.

Trump’s main line of attack against Ron DeSantis is from the left. He’s hitting the Florida governor hard for his past support for reining in Social Security and Medicare.

He’s also called the governor’s culture-war clash with Disney “so unnecessary” and “a political stunt,” while not entering the fray in the conservative war with Bud Light.

Of course, Trump’s personal power is such that he’s made loyalty to himself the standard for being considered right wing — orthodox conservatives who reject Trump are more apt to be labeled moderates than Trump himself.

The substantive definition of the right is also up for grabs. What is the more right-wing position? Trump saying that he’ll end the Ukraine war in a day through his personal diplomacy — the kind of naive position once associated with soft-headed Democrats — or a hawk saying that he’ll continue to arm Ukraine to the hilt? It depends who you ask.

All of this is an indication of how Trump can be ideologically difficult to pin down, which benefited him in 2016 — both in the primaries and in

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the general — and could work for him again.

The alleged radicalism of Donald Trump has mostly to do with his personal conduct, his outrageous statements, his conspiracy theories, and his contempt for norms and rules. None of these are to be dismissed lightly, but none are ideological either.

In theory, it’d be possible to be perfectly polite and support a border wall (in fact, this describes most Republicans), or be in favor of open borders and be just as fond of insulting nicknames as Trump is.

If the former president were given a magic wand to move America in his direction policy-wise on his core commitments, and we had a secure border, more tariffs, fewer foreign entanglements, greater domestic energy production, the status quo on entitlements, and step toward the center-right and away from what Trump calls the “radical-left lunatics” on most culture issues, no one would think he or she were living in a right-wing dystopia — at least not if they didn’t know who was wielding the wand.

It’s Trump’s unique contribution to take an issue mix that could have broad appeal and make it toxic by association with himself.

In the 2016 nomination fight, Trump’s approach — getting to the rest of the field’s right on some issues (immigra-

tion, China) and to its left on others (especially entitlements) — paved his path to the nomination. That road didn’t run through self-described “very conservative” voters, but “somewhat” conservatives.

The crucial South Carolina primary illustrated the dynamic. According to exit polls, Ted Cruz won very conservative voters, with 35% to Trump’s 29 and Marco Rubio’s 19. Trump won somewhat conservatives, with 35% to Rubio’s 25 and Cruz’s 17. And Trump won moderates, with 34% to Rubio’s 23 and Kasich’s 21.

In other words, Trump was competitive with the very conservatives while besting the other candidates with the other factions.

Now, Trump has reversed the poles of his support. He’s most formidable with very conservatives and DeSantis is strongest with somewhat conservatives. The governor’s strategy of trying to peel off Trump supporters among the very conservative voters by getting to his right on substance, while appealing to the center-right with an electability argument, makes sense, although much depends on the execution.

Barry Goldwater famously said in his 1964 acceptance speech that moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue. Donald Trump, of all people, is out to demonstrate that it could be one in pursuit of the Republican presidential nomination.

Rich Lowery is editor of National Review, a leading conservative magazine founded by William F. Buckley.

CHARLES HURT

Biden’s sprawling family corruption

Eyes are the window into a man’s soul, which is why President Biden always wears dark sunglasses.

Dark, impenetrable glasses. The kind favored by daring aviators battling the harshest glare high above the clouds. And bank robbers.

Mr. Biden has never served in the military. Or flown a plane. In fact, he has no known marketable skills, which is why he has devoted his life to a career in politics.

That career choice — along with a schoolteacher’s government salary — has made the Biden family millionaires many times over.

So, he wears dark glasses. Even in Ireland, where it always rains.

Mr. Biden’s publicity team casts the aviator glasses as a sign of how hip and cool the 80-year-old is. But there is nothing hip or cool about a guy who needs to be rescued by the Easter Bunny at an egg roll on the South Lawn of the White House.

Or a guy who can take questions only from children in a foreign country — and still gets stumped.

His publicity team peddles this comic fantasy that the aviator glasses are like some sort of cape that makes Mr. Biden some sort of superhero. But the comic tale story quickly falls apart after that.

Superman saves Lois Lane — and the universe — from Lex Luthor. Batman saves Gotham from the Joker. Wonder Woman rescues the fan-

The dark aviator glasses are the single most definitional trademark of Mr. Biden and his presidency. They project concealment, evasiveness and lying.

tasies of every teenage boy who lived during the 1970s and ‘80s with her American flag leotard and bulletproof bracelets.

Whom does Shady Joe Biden in Dark Glasses save?

The poor in America are poorer because of Mr. Biden’s monstrous inflation. Children of the world are being smuggled, raped and enslaved because of Mr. Biden’s open border. The innocent people of Ukraine are dying by the thousands because of the war Mr. Biden invited.

Seriously, who is better off under Mr. Biden? Vladimir Putin? The Chinese Communists? Mexican drug cartels and human smuggling warlords?

Mr. Biden may be a figure for the comic books. But he is no superhero, even with his dark glasses.

There is a reason you have never seen a successful politician wear dark glasses. It’s the same reason America hasn’t elected a bearded president in over a hundred years.

In politics, appearance matters. A politician’s appearance — for better or for worse — is

the most obvious and effective attribute that is conveyed to more than 300 million citizens. Countless studies have shown that voters tend to vote for the person who looks more normal, is taller, or projects strength and power.

Similarly, beards tend to convey obfuscation. If a man grows a beard to hide his face, what else is he hiding? Perhaps unfair, but true nonetheless on the subconscious level for voters. Anyway, it’s why politicians tend to avoid beards.

Dark glasses are a whole different level of obfuscation. They intentionally obscure the window into a man’s soul. Dark glasses are for conceal- ing. Hiding intentions. Shady.

The dark aviator glasses are the single most definitional trademark of Mr. Biden and his presidency. They project concealment, evasiveness and lying.

It’s where he hides. It prevents people from knowing where Mr. Biden is peeping now that his handlers no longer allow him to sniff the hair of little girls. It helps him keep a straight face, even as he travels abroad amid the revelations of a burgeoning corruption scandal involving his family with governments from China to Ukraine.

And maybe even Ireland. Where the sun barely shines but Mr. Biden still wears dark shades.

Charles Hurt is the opinion editor at The Washington Times.



BIBLE SELECTION

knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

— 1 Peter 1:18-19 (ESV)

Public Notices

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RIDGELAND, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI APPROVING AND GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW RELOCATION OF FOUR CABINS (RESIDENTIAL HOTEL) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 120 CONESTOGA ROAD (PARCEL NO. 072N-28A-003/01.01) , CITY OF RIDGELAND, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

WHEREAS, Terry Hester (the "Petitioner"), did file a Petition and Application for a Conditional Use Permit as permitted by Section 600.09 for the property described herein, which property is located in a C-2 General Commercial Use District Classification under the City of Ridgeland Zoning Regulations Ordinance of February 2014, (the "Petition"); and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Conditional Use sought is to allow Petitioner to relocate four cabins (Residential Hotel) presently in the floodway out of the floodway ;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen referred the Petition to the Zoning Board of the City of Ridgeland (the "Zoning "Board") which Board scheduled a hearing on said Petition for April 6, 2023, at 6:00 o'clock p.m.; and,

WHEREAS, the City Clerk did cause notice of the April 6, 2023, hearing to be published in the Madison County Journal , a newspaper published in the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, in the manner and for the time required by law, and the Zoning Administrator did post notice of same upon the affected property in the manner and for the time required by law; and,

WHEREAS, at the time, date and place specified in the notice, the Zoning Board of the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi, did conduct a full and complete hearing on the Petition, and received comments and heard evidence presented by the Petitioner and thereafter forwarded its recommendation thereon to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen are familiar with the property and existing land uses within the City of Ridgeland and in the area of the City where the property is located, and in acting on this Ordinance, have duly considered the matters and facts within in their personal knowledge as same affect the land uses required in the Petition; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor asked whether the Board of Aldermen desired to take any action regarding the Petition and the recommendation of the Zoning Board, and after discussion thereof, Alderman D. I. SMITH offered the following Ordinance and moved that it be adopted, to-wit:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

SECTION 1. That the matters and facts stated in the preamble hereof are found, determined and adjudicated to be true and correct.

SECTION 2. That the findings of fact contained in the Zoning Board's April 6, 2023, Minutes in regard to the Petition be, and same are hereby adopted as and for the findings of fact of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen in support of the zoning decision contained herein.

SECTION 3. That it is hereby found and determined that the conditions precedent to the granting of a Conditional Use Permit in regard to the herein described property as required in Section 600.09 of the City of Ridgeland Zoning Regulations Ordinance of February 2014, exist, and have been satisfied, for the granting of a Conditional Use Permit for the purpose of allowing Petitioner to relocate four cabins (Residential Hotel) to the subject property within the C-2 zoning district.

SECTION 4. That the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi, do hereby grant from and after the effective date of this Ordinance a Conditional Use Permit for the purpose of allowing Petitioner to relocate four cabins (Residential Hotel) to the subject property within the C-2 zoning district.

SECTION 5. The property affected by this Ordinance (the "property") is located in the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, and described as follows:

PARCEL 1
A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF THE NORTH-EAST ¼ OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 7 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT WHICH IS THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY OF THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY WITH THE LINE BETWEEN THE EAST ½ OF THE WEST ½ OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 7 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST; THENCE RUN THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS AND DISTANCES ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY OF THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY; SOUTH 80 DEGREES 56 MINUTES EAST 741.91 FEET; SOUTH 89 DEGREES 09 MINUTES EAST FOR 869.05 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 84 DEGREES 43 MINUTES EAST FOR 126.53 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY RUN SOUTH 28 DEGREES 45 MINUTES EAST FOR 116.30 FEET; RUN THENCE SOUTH 08 DEGREES 21 MINUTES EAST FOR 102.5 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BRIDGE OVER CULLEY CREEK AND MARKING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE PARCEL DESCRIBED HEREIN; RUN ALONG THE WEST BANK OF CULLEY CREEK A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 33 DEGREES 52 MINUTES EAST A FOR 112.1 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID TOP BANK RUN SOUTH 56 DEGREES 01 MINUTES WEST FOR 71.6 FEET; RUN THENCE NORTH 85 DEGREES 38 MINUTES WEST FOR 115.0 FEET TO A REBAR IN A FENCE CORNER; THENCE NORTH 03 DEGREES 40 MINUTES EAST FOR 21.6 FEET; RUN THENCE NORTH 37 DEGREES 16 MINUTES EAST FOR 60.8 FEET; RUN THENCE NORTH 53 DEGREES 27 MINUTES EAST FOR 91.3 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 13,522 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS.

AND ALSO:

TOGETHER WITH A NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT ALONG AN EXISTING ROADWAY LEADING FROM THE ACCESS ROAD TO ROSS BARNETT RESERVOIR (BEING THE SAME ROAD NAMED RICE ROAD) INTO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND OTHER

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ADJOINING PROPERTY. SECTION 6. That the City of Ridgeland Zoning Regulations Ordinance of February, 2014, and the Use District Map accompanying said Ordinance be, and same hereby are amended to the extent necessary to reflect the foregoing change in land use in regard to the property.

ORDAINED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 18th day of April, 2023.

The motion for adoption was seconded by Alderman Bill Lee and the foregoing Ordinance having been first reduced to writing, was submitted to the Board of Aldermen for passage or rejection on roll call vote with the following results:

Alderman Ken Heard (Ward 1) voted: AYE

Alderman Chuck Gautier (Ward 2) voted: AYE

Alderman Kevin Holder (Ward 3) voted: AYE

Alderman Brian Ramsey (Ward 4) voted: AYE

Alderman Scott Jones (Ward 5) voted: AYE

Alderman Wesley Hamlin (Ward 6) voted: AYE

Alderman D. I. Smith (At large) voted: AYE

Whereupon, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the Ordinance adopted.

The foregoing ordinance is approved, this the 18th day of April, 2023.

/s/ _____
Mayor Gene F. McGee
City of Ridgeland, Mississippi
Attest:
/s/ _____
Paula Tierce, City Clerk
[S E A L]

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2023-392 B

GEORGE HENRY JACKSON, JR.; ALL HEIRS OF GEORGE HENRY JACKSON, JR. ; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; JOHN K. BRA-MELTT, JR., IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THAT WAS SOLD FOR MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2020
VIZ: LOT 6 LAKE HARBOUR LAND-ING D@171 Parcel No: 072I-31A-337/00.00 S-T-R: 31-07N-02E PPIN 43784 YR 2019
MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI DEFENDANTS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: GEORGE HENRY JACKSON, JR.; ALL HEIRS OF GEORGE HENRY JACKSON, JR.; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; JOHN K. BRA-MELTT, JR., IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THAT WAS SOLD FOR MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2020
VIZ: LOT 6 LAKE HARBOUR LAND-ING D@171 Parcel No: 072I-31A-337/00.00 S-T-R: 31-07N-02E PPIN 43784 YR 2019
MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI D EFENDANTS
NOTICE
This is a suit by AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC, to quiet and confirm title in themselves to that certain property legally described as:
LOT 6 LAKE HARBOUR LAND-ING D@171 Parcel No: 072I-31A-337/00.00
S-T-R: 31-07N-02E PPIN 43784 YR 2019
The above being property acquired by Plaintiff, American Pride Properties, LLC, obtained its interest in the subject property by virtue of a QUITCLAIM DEED AND ASSIGNMENT granted by MS TO LLC TESCO CUSTODIAN dated December 21, 2022, and recorded on January 3, 2023, as Inst. 974633 in Book W-4291 at Page 889.00 in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk. MS TO LLC TESCO CUSTODI-AN, being the highest and best bidder at the tax sale dated August 31, 2020 for the 2019 Madison County, Missis-sippi ad valorem taxes which were not redeemed, was granted a obtained its interest in the subject property by vir-tue of a Chancery Clerk's Conveyance dated December 6, 2022 and recorded on the same day as Inst. 973276 in Book W-4238 at Page 940.00 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Madis-on County, Mississippi.
If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in the real property or personal property contained therein, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for the Plaintiffs, **Lewie G. Negrotto IV, Esq., whose physical address is 133 Davis Avenue, Suite L, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571.** YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 27 th day of April 2023, WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RE-S-PONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DE-FAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.
You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. The address of the Clerk of this Court is 146 W. Center Street, Canton, MS 39046.

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Ronny Lott, Chancery Clerk
Madison County, Mississippi
ISSUE DATE: 4/19/2023 BY: STACEY TOTEN
DEPUTY COURT CLERK
Publish For (3) times: April 27, 2023 May 4, 2023 May 11, 2023

RULE 81 SUMMONS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MADENE AARON,
D E C E A S E D
NO: 22-213(W)

SUMMONS

TO: **Unknown heirs at law of Madene Aaron, whose names, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry;**

You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition at 8:45 am on May 30, 2023 before the Honorable James Walker, Madison County Chancery Court, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 25 th day of April 2023.

RONNY LOTT
MADISON COUNTY CHANCERY CLERK

RULE 81 SUMMONS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
[S E A L]

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF LISA ANN SHAW,
D E C E A S E D
NO: 22-1058(C)

SUMMONS

TO: **Unknown heirs at law of Lisa Ann Shaw, whose names, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry;**

You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition at 1:00 pm on May 31, 2023 before the Honorable Robert Clark, Madison County Chancery Court, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 25 day of April 2023.

RONNY LOTT
MADISON COUNTY CHANCERY CLERK

Request for Proposal (RFP) to Conduct Independent Single Audit

This document constitutes a Request for Proposals (RFP), to be received from qualified organizations to perform the Scope of Work set forth herein. Auditors are strongly encouraged to carefully read the entire request for proposals.

Firm Deadline: Friday, May 12th, 2023, 4:00 p.m. Central Time

Dear Sir or Madam:

This document constitutes a Request for Proposals (RFP), to be received from qualified organizations to perform the Scope of Work set forth herein. Auditors are strongly encouraged to carefully read the entire request for proposals.

Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc. is requesting proposals from Certified Public Accountant firms that have extensive experience in providing audit and tax services for not for profit organizations with particular in experience in the Community Health Center Industry. We invite your firm to submit a proposal to us by May12, 2023 for consideration. A description of our organization, the services needed, and other pertinent information follows:

Background of Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc.: Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc. is a (Federally Qualified Health Center) nonprofit recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a charitable, tax-exempt organization pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc. was founded in April 1993.

The mission of the Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc. is to provide high quality, customer oriented and cost effective health care services in a safe and accessible environment to all person of Holmes, Carroll, Leflore, Madison counties and surrounding communities regardless of their ability to pay, while striving to ensure patient, staff and others safety to improve the quality of life for the whole community.

We have a finance committee comprising of 5 members who will be responsible for the final selection of auditors. Our annual operating budget is approximately \$8 million per year, and we employ 105 people in 6 locations. Our main sources of revenues are from grants, Medicaid, Medicare, third party insurers and self-paying patients.

The organization has a June 30 fiscal year-end, with a requirement to file an audited financial statement with the bank by the end of calendar year each year.

Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc. maintains all accounting records in-house and uses Sage Peachtree Accounting Software for the accounting system and Athena Health and Dextrix Ascend as Practice Management Systems. Statement of Work

The Organization is looking for an independent accounting firm to conduct the annual audit of its financial statements. The contract will be awarded within a minimum of five years' subject to annual renewal based on performance. The contract will be performed on a firm fixed price basis. Any additional

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charges must be agreed to in advance and in writing by the Organization. The contract shall commence with the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

The engagement shall include the issuing (and printing) of the following reports: Audit of the Financial Statements of Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc.; Audit of federal awards expenditures in accordance with OMB Circular A-133; 340b independent audit; Preparation of the 990 for Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc. Respondents should plan to issue all applicable audit reports by September 30th, 2023 and the completion of the Form 990 by October 31st,2023.

Engagement Term

The initial audit will cover the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. The engagement is renewable for four (4) additional fiscal years on a year to year basis, at the sole option of the Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc. In the event that the Organization exercises its right to renew this engagement, the costs for the future engagements shall be those determined in accordance with the fees section of your proposal, subject to adjustment based on changes in our funding level and funding sources. All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged.

Submission Instructions

Proposals should provide a straightforward, thoughtful and concise description of the firm's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP.

Please note: Firms submitting a proposal in response to this RFP will be required to be available for an onsite interview discussing the scope of their proposal. This interview may provide an opportunity for the firms to clarify or elaborate on the proposal but will in no way change the original submission. Interested firms are invited to submit proposals that contain the following information:

1. Experience of Firm
- a. A history of the firm's experience providing similar services to non-profits or other organizations
2. Overall proposal cost
- a. The proposer's fee structure for the services outlined, including standard billing rates for all personnel expected to be assigned to the engagement. Although proposed fees will be taken into account, the Organization reserves the right to negotiate a lower or different fee structure during the offer process.
3. Contact Information
- a. As the cover page to your proposal, please provide:
 - i. The firm's name;
 - ii. The firm's responsible contact person;
 - iii. Telephone/fax numbers and email addresses for firm principals and individuals working on the Organization's proposal;
 - iv. The mailing address of the firm;
4. Engagement Staffing and Methodology
- a. Identify the partner, manager, and in-charge accountant who will be assigned to our job if you are successful in your bid, and provide current resumes of each
- b. Describe how your firm will approach the audit of the organization, including any areas that will receive primary emphasis as well as the audit approach employed for those areas. Also discuss the firm's use of technology in the audit. And finally, discuss the communication process used by the firm to discuss issues with the audit committee of the board of directors
- c. Include a copy of your firm's most recent peer review report, the related letter of comments, and the firm's response to the letter of comments
5. Final Submission
- a. The final proposal should be submitted by e-mail as a PDF attachment to:

David Jones, djones@mallorychc.org, Dr. Arenia C. Mallory Community Health Center, Inc.

Timeline

Firms must be available to meet the estimated deadlines outlined below. The project timeline is subject to change, as follows:

April 24th,2023 - Release of RFP

May 12th, 2023 - Finalist Meetings
May 17th, 2023 Board approves Bid
August 1st, 2023- Preliminary audit work to begin
September 15th, 2023-Final field work to begin
September 30th 2023- Final Audit report
October 31st 2023_ Complete Form 990 Complete

Requirements

The Organization is committed to selecting the most competitive offer for contract award but does not base its evaluation solely on price. The Organization reserves the right to award a contract to an Auditor who may not necessarily be the lowest bidder based upon cost comparisons.

1. Our evaluation criteria will include:
2. Capabilities of the firm
3. Professional team experience
4. Service offering and audit approach
5. Quality of the proposal and proposal process
6. Total cost Ability to meet the Organization's needs

References from current clients

Conclusion

This RFP is not an offer to enter into an agreement with any party, but rather a request to receive proposals from persons or firms interested in providing the described services. Such proposals shall be considered and treated by the Organization as offers to enter into an agreement. The Organization reserves the right to reject all proposals, in whole or in part, and/or enter into negotiations with any party. The Organization shall not be obligated for the payment of any sums whatsoever to any recipient of this RFP until and unless a written contract between

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the parties is executed. Consultant's time spent on preparing a proposal to respond to this solicitation will not be compensated by the Organization. Inquiries as well as completed proposals should be directed to:

David Jones, Chief Financial Officer, at djones@mallorychc.org,

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI, AMENDING THE TEXT AND MAP OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI, TO ESTABLISH

THE PRADO VISTA AT RIDGELAND OVERLAY DISTRICT

WHEREAS , on the 21st day of March, 2023, Prado Vista Real Estate Holdings LLC, a Mississippi limited liability company, filed a Petition requesting the Mayor and Board of Aldermen amend the text and map of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi, to establish the Prado Vista at Ridgeland Overlay District ("Prado Vista Overlay District"); and

WHEREAS , Section 104 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland provides for the establishment of overlay districts, which supersede existing zoning designations and several of which currently exist in the City of Ridgeland; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen scheduled a public hearing on said Petition for the 18th day of April, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. to be conducted in front of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland; and

WHEREAS , the City Clerk caused notice of the April 18, 2023 hearing to be published in the Madison County Journal , a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Ridgeland, Madison County, Mississippi, in the manner and for the time required by law, and the Zoning Administrator did post notice of same upon the affected property in the manner and for the time required by law, as shown on Exhibit "A", attached hereto; and

WHEREAS , the Petitioner did provide evidence to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland that the statutory notice requirement had been met and all notice requirements under City ordinances had likewise been met; and

WHEREAS , the Petitioner provided further evidence that, although not required by Section 104 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland nor by State law, adjacent property owners were sent notification by certified mail of the date, time, location, and purpose of the April 18, 2023 public hearing, as shown on Exhibit "B", attached hereto; and

WHEREAS , at the time, date, and place specified in the notice, on April 18, 2023, at its regularly scheduled meeting established in accordance with the law, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland did recognize and hear the Petitioner in a public hearing, hear evidence presented by the Petitioner, and receive additional comments from Petitioner and all others who appeared at said meeting and public hearing; and

WHEREAS , the Petitioner requested an amendment to both the text and the map of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland be amended to establish the Prado Vista Overlay District, which would permit and authorize all uses set forth in the Prado Vista Overlay District's Guidelines and Regulations ("Guidelines and Regulations"), previously attached to the Petition as Exhibit E and attached hereto as Exhibit "C" ; and

WHEREAS , the area of the Prado Vista Overlay District will contain 76.93909 acres, more or less, as more fully described in the complete legal description, previously attached to the Petition as Exhibit A, on a tract of land at the intersection of Colony Park Boulevard and Sunnybrook Road, as shown in the proposed development maps previously attached to the Petition as Exhibits B and C; and

WHEREAS , the property is currently owned by Mildred W. Carr, LLC, which supports the Petition and has provided consent for Petitioner to act on the limited liability company's behalf with respect to the development of the property, as shown by affidavit previously attached to the Petition as Exhibit D; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen are familiar with the property and existing land uses within the City of Ridgeland and in the area of the City where the property is located and, in enacting this Ordinance, have duly considered the matters and facts presented along with their personal knowledge; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen find that the area immediately to the west and adjacent to the proposed Prado Vista Overlay District is zoned for mixed use development and areas southwest but not adjacent to the proposed Prado Vista Overlay District are zoned for mixed use and highway commercial development and further find that extension of those zoning classifications should be extended to the proposed Prado Vista Overlay District; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen hereby find the Petition and the Prado Vista Overlay District are consistent with the City of Ridgeland's long-stated plan to develop the Sunnybrook Focus Area to include overlay districts, commercial, and mixed use developments in area of Colony Park Boulevard and Sunnybrook Road; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen hereby find the Petition and the Prado Vista Overlay District are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Ridgeland, which encourages the use of flexible zoning administrative techniques, and particularly the Generalized Future Land Use and Transportation Plan, adopted January 3, 2023, which serves as a guide for considering private development proposals and renders the area of the proposed Prado Vista Overlay District as mixed-use development; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen find and reiterate that, due to the construction and development of Colony Park Boulevard, completed in 2019, as a major access road to Interstate-55, the further development of the highway commercial area and overlay districts along Colony Park Boulevard, and the development of the mixed use area adjacent to the proposed Prado Vista Overlay District, the character of neighborhood/area has changed to justify reclassification, as demonstrated by the Generalized Future Land Use and Transportation Plan, adopted January 3, 2023, and is evidence of a public need for the adoption of the Prado Vista Overlay District; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of

Aldermen find that the City of Ridgeland has need for additional housing and residential growth, that a survey of City residents revealed a need for more entertainment options within the City, that entertainment and high-end mixed use developments are advantageous for recruiting new commercial partners and development within the City, and that such mixed use developments provide increased tax revenue for the City, and accordingly find that there is evidence of a public need for the adoption of the Prado Vista Overlay District; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen find that the granting of the Petition and the Prado Vista Overlay District will not adversely affect the public interest, overtax public schools, utilities, streets, or municipal services, create excessive traffic congestion, adversely affect the character of the neighborhood/area, or adversely affect property values in the surrounding neighborhood/area; and

WHEREAS , the Mayor and Board of Aldermen hereby find that they are empowered to grant the request in the Petition and that the granting of the Petition is in the public interest, will enhance tax revenues for the City of Ridgeland, and will positively impact the living conditions and property values in the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS , the matter was presented to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and, after discussion thereof, Alderman Wesley Hamlin offered the following Ordinance and moved that it be adopted;

NOW, THEREFORE , be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

SECTION 1
That the matters and facts stated in the preamble hereof are found, determined, and adjudicated to be true and correct.

SECTION 2
That it is hereby found and determined that subject parcel would be appropriate for an overlay district, as contemplated by Section 104 of the City of Ridgeland's 2014 Official Zoning Ordinance ("Zoning Ordinance"). Additionally, that the Prado Vista Overlay District and its Guidelines and Regulations provide the City with more control and certainty over the future development of the subject parcel than the Mixed Use District designation under the City's Generalized Future Land Use and Transportation Plan.

SECTION 3
That the request meets the threshold standards of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland and that the request is consistent with all elements of the City's Comprehensive Plan, the Generalized Future Land Use and Transportation Plan, and the Sunnybrook Focus Area development plan, and that the character of the neighborhood has changed to such an extent as to justify granting the Petition. Further, that there is a public need, including but not limited to creating more housing options, creating new and essential entertainment options, assisting in recruiting future development partners, and increasing the City's tax revenue, for the permitted uses in the Prado Vista Overlay District.

SECTION 4
That the character of the subject property has changed substantially, and that there is a public need for adopting the Prado Vista Overlay District Guidelines and Regulations and permitting the proposed uses in the subject property. Further, that the change in the character of the neighborhood is evidenced by the recent amendment to the City's Future Land Use and Transportation Plan, part of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Ridgeland, calling for Mixed Use development of the area where the subject property is located. Moreover, the adjacent or nearby properties have already been developed as Mixed Use and Commercial districts.

SECTION 5
That the text and map of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland is hereby amended to establish the Prado Vista Overlay District, with each of the proposed sub-districts, on the said 76.93909-acre tract. The permitted uses in the Prado Vista Overlay District are set forth below and further defined in the proposed Guidelines and Regulations, attached as Exhibit "C" :

- a. Except as otherwise prohibited herein, all uses permitted under the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi General Commercial District (C-2) and Mixed Use District (MU-1) in accordance with the Official Zoning Map of the City, shall be permitted in the Prado Vista Overlay District.
- b. Banks, branch banks and automatic teller machines and other banking facilities in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland.
- c. Laundry and dry-cleaning pick-up stations in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland.
- d. Photomats in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland.
- e. Food Product carry-out and delivery stores in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland.
- f. Retail and/or food street vendors who have obtained an appropriate permit from the City of Ridgeland to conduct business and who also have written approval from the Owner of Records of MUD Retail, MUD Office and/or MUD Mixed-Use Condominium property (located where said vendor proposes to operate) to conduct business on said property at specific locations and specific times.
- g. Child Care Facilities in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland.
- h. Fine Arts and Community Movie Theatre facilities.
- i. Residential Hotels and Houses for the Elderly Complexes in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland (but not as a conditional use or special exception but as a Permitted Use); provided, however, no more than one hundred fifty (150) of these units shall be permitted within the Prada Vista Overlay District.
- j. Commercial sports and recreational facilities such as swimming pools, tennis courts and fully enclosed gymnasiums in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ridgeland (but not as a conditional use or special exception but as a Permitted Use) and accessory uses or structures incidental to residential uses such as laundry facilities, vending machine centers, and similar uses.
- k. Mixed Use District ("MUD") Live/Above.
- l. MUD Townhouses.





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“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.”
— 2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)



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Culture rejects Christian faith

The Song of Solomon, or as verse one of the book calls it, the Song of Songs, is a description of the fellowship between the Lord Jesus Christ and His Church. The Christian life is concerned with growing more and more into the likeness of Christ by the grace of God. This growth promotes communion and love. Jesus asked, “Can two walk together if they do not agree?”

Salvation is about deliverance from the guilt and corruption of sin. Song of Songs 2:1-7 describes the rich fellowship of a believer who sees the glory of Christ in salvation and delights in drawing near to the Lord and feasting on His Word. She enjoys the shade of His protection, the refreshment of His Spirit, and the sustaining strength of His presence.

Happy is the Christian when he has a season of walking close with the Lord. He is fruitful in his thoughts, heart, and works. But seasons change, and the Christian can find himself in a spiritual season like winter; his heart is cold, his hearing of the Lord’s word is formal, and the Lord Jesus seems far off. Such has been the condition of the soul in this passage (Song of Solomon 2:8-17).

The Christian is described as behind a wall, while the Lord is outside looking in through a window (verse 9). There has been a season of winter in the spiritual life of the believer (verse 11). The wall between the soul and the Lord is similar to what we read of the church in Laodicea in Revelation 3.

There the Lord Jesus is outside a door knocking. He is outside because His people inside had become so comfortable with the prosperity of the world they no longer felt much need for the Lord. They were lukewarm in their affections for Christ. The Lord said that in their condition they were actually “wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked.” Their outward condition may have been prosperous, but their inward, spiritual condition was impoverished.

What do you do in such a condition? The remedy is to listen to the voice of the Lord and respond. The writer of Hebrews says, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your heart.” He also says, “Be careful brothers, lest through an evil, unbelieving heart, any drift away from the living God.” The apostle was using the unbelief of the Israelites in the desert to warn Christians of the danger of not paying attention to the

word of the Lord.

He uses the word “Today” in the sense of urgency. If you put off responding to the Lord, you risk hardening your heart. There is a place beyond the reach of mercy. The winter of the soul is not comparable to the place where there is no mitigation of misery, nor any possibility of escaping it. The Lord will sometimes remind His people of this to return them to clarity in their spiritual eyesight.

Always remember the Lord loves mercy. You may have resisted and abused many calls from the Lord in His word to repent and return to your former affections and devotion to Him. But the Lord Jesus is always ready to welcome his sheep who lament their ways and come to Him for cleansing.

Our passage describes the joy of the believer when she responds to the Lord’s voice in phrases likened to abundant life: “Arise my love, my beautiful one, and come away, for behold, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land” (2:10-13).

Christ is an overflowing fountain of goodness. Everywhere He went, He was doing good: proclaiming the kingdom of God; healing the sick; giving the blind sight, the deaf ears to hear, the lame legs to walk, and on and on. He is the author of life. To resist Him is to resist all good. To embrace Him is to embrace goodness itself. If you are thinking of Christ rightly, you will be thinking of Him highly.

There will always be obstacles while we are in this world to our walk with Christ. This is what the foxes spoiling the vineyard refer to (verse 15). Jesus called Herod a “fox” because he was an enemy of God’s kingdom. Ezekiel called false prophets in Israel “foxes.” There are many forms “foxes” take.

Our culture has turned against the Christian faith; good is called evil and evil good. Our own pride and self-sufficiency hinder our admiration and love to Christ. This passage directs us to seek Christ and call upon Him day by day, to listen to Him with a responding and humble heart.

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bb. Other Buildings not specified herein (up to but not exceeding 55' in height) and Improvements that comply with the intent of the Development Standards listed in the Ordinance establishing the Prada Vista Overlay District and that are Land Uses Permitted in the Prada Vista Overlay District.
cc. Freestanding enclosed restaurants in accordance with the Official Zoning Ordinance which may include allowance for adjacent outdoor dining.
dd. Scheduled outdoor special events such as ice-skating, festivals and outdoor musical events appropriately authorized by the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi.
ee. Parking structures.
ff. Surface parking areas.
gg. Public streets and roadways, Private streets, Private Entry Drives, and Private Alleeways.

SECTION 6
That the MUD Golf Entertainment Venue and the MUD Entertainment Venue within the Entertainment Sub-district may be classified as "Free-standing restaurant with a commercial sports and recreational element (indoor/outdoor)" pursuant to the City of Ridgeland's Community Development Department's March 5, 2020 Interpretation, establishing the use and that such uses are in harmony with the purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance and the C-2 District, and that the MUD Golf Entertainment and the MUD Entertainment Venue shall be permitted uses in the Prado Vista Overlay District.

SECTION 7
Pursuant to Sections 104.03 and consistent with 600.09 of the Zoning Ordinance, as to those elements, that the following findings of fact are hereby made:
a. The uses permitted in the Prado Vista Overlay District are in conformity with the City's Comprehensive Plan generally, with the Generalized Future Land Use and Transportation Plan specifically, with the City of Ridgeland's plans to develop this area, and with the purpose, intent, and applicable standards of the Zoning Ordinance.
b. The uses permitted in the Prado Vista Overlay District are designated by the Zoning Ordinance and the March 5, 2020 Interpretation as permitted uses in the proposed zoning sub-district (the Entertainment Sub-district as defined by the Guidelines and Regulations) within the Prado Vista Overlay District.
c. The permitted uses will comply with all applicable regulations in the zoning sub-district (the Entertainment Sub-district as defined by the Guidelines and Regulations) in which the property is located, as modified by the Guidelines and Regulations for the Prado Vista Overlay District.
d. The establishment or maintenance of the permitted uses is not detrimental to the public health, safety, or general welfare.
e. The permitted uses are located, designed, maintained, and operated to be compatible with the existing or intended character of the zoning sub-district within the Prado Vista Overlay District and with the Prado Vista Overlay District as a whole.
f. The permitted uses will not depreciate property values.
g. The permitted uses will not be hazardous, detrimental, or disturbing to present surrounding land uses due to noise, glare, smoke, dust, odor, fumes, water pollution, erosion, vibration, electrical interference, or other nuisance.
h. The permitted uses will generate only minimal vehicular traffic on local streets, as defined by the Adopted Thoroughfares Plan, and will not create traffic congestions, unsafe access, or parking needs that will cause inconvenience to the adjoining properties.
i. The permitted uses will be served adequately by essential public services, such as streets, police, fire protection, utilities, schools, and parks.
j. The permitted uses will not create excessive additional requirements at public cost for public facilities and services and will not be detrimental to the economic welfare of the City.
k. The permitted uses will preserve and incorporate the site's important natural and scenic features into the development design, in accordance with the Guidelines and Regulations for the Prado Vista Overlay District.
l. The permitted uses will not cause significant adverse environmental effects.
m. No conditions imposed on the uses, as a result of the Zoning Ordinance and the Guidelines and Regulations for the Prado Vista Overlay District, are so unreasonably difficult as to preclude development of the use.

SECTION 8
That it is hereby found and determined that Petitioner has complied with specific rules and requirements governing these permitted uses and that there has been satisfactory provision and arrangement through the Guidelines and Regulations for applicable design-related standards, consistent with Section 600.09.E of the Zoning Ordinance.

SECTION 10
That the Prado Vista Overlay District Ordinance and Site Plan have met all conditions precedent for permitting the construction and operation of the MUD Golf Entertainment Venue and/or the MUD Entertainment Venue and that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen do

hereby grant from and after the effective date of this Ordinance approval to be included as a permitted use to Petitioner for those elements within the Prado Vista Overlay District.

SECTION 11
That some of the residential elements within the Prado Vista Overlay District, including but not limited to the MUD Single Family, MUD Townhouse, or MUD Condominium, have setback and lot size requirements within Sub-district zoning areas for MU-1, R-4, or R-4A that differ slightly from the regulations of the like zoning district in order to create the intended design effect and sense of place within Prado Vista Overlay District.

SECTION 12
That the Petitioner has provided satisfactory evidence of special conditions or circumstances to the land that create a hardship for development of the property, including the topography of the property, the presence of wetlands on the property, the natural drainage course, or other desirable or attractive features of the Prado Vista Overlay District as a whole, which are not general conditions and are not present in surrounding areas.

SECTION 13
Pursuant to Sections 104.03 and consistent with 600.08 of the Zoning Ordinance, that the following findings of fact are hereby made:
a. The Petition and the Guidelines and Regulations for the Prado Vista Overlay District justify allowing these slight differences in setback and lot size for the elements within the Prado Vista Overlay District.
b. The permitted uses constitute the minimum allowable deviation from the regulations of the Zoning Ordinance to make possible the responsible and intended use of the land. In particular, the Mayor and Board find that higher density residential development within the Prado Vista Overlay District is desirable, intended, and necessary as a feature of the Prado Vista Overlay District.
c. The permitted uses within the Prado Vista Overlay District will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance.
d. The permitted uses within the Prado Vista Overlay District will not be injurious to the neighborhood surrounding the Prado Vista Overlay District or detrimental to the public welfare.
e. The Prado Vista Overlay District Guidelines and Regulations include appropriate buffer spaces or other greenspaces on both the north and east sides of the development, which further ensure that the permitted uses and higher density residential development areas will not be injurious to the surrounding properties or have a detrimental impact to the public welfare.

SECTION 14
That all elements within the Prado Vista Overlay District must comply with the design guidelines established within the Prado Vista Overlay District Guidelines and Regulations.

SECTION 15
This Ordinance shall be effective one month after its passage and after publication of same as required in Mississippi Code § 21-13-11.

ORDAINED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi, at a regular meeting held on the 18th day of April, 2023. The motion for adoption was seconded by Aldermen Brian Ramsey, and the foregoing Ordinance having been first reduced to writing, was submitted to the Board of Aldermen for passage or rejection on roll call vote with the following results:
Alderman Ken Heard (Ward 1) voted: AYE
Alderman Chuck Gautier (Ward 2) voted: AYE
Alderman Kevin Holder (Ward 3) voted: AYE
Alderman Brian Ramsey (Ward 4) voted: AYE
Alderman Bill Lee (Ward 5) voted: AYE
Alderman Wesley Hamlin (Ward 6) voted: AYE
Alderman D.I. Smith (At Large) voted: AYE

WHEREUPON, the Mayor declared the Motion had carried and that the Ordinance was adopted. The foregoing Ordinance is approved, this 18th day of April, 2023.

/s/
Gene F. McGee
Mayor of the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi
ATTEST:
/s/
PAULA TIERCE, CITY CLERK
ALL EXHIBITS REFERENCED CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE UPON REQUEST

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BRIDGES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC
A MISSISSIPPI LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
PETITIONER
VS.
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2023-333B

THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LEE EARNEST TYLER, THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF BESSIE LEE GARNER, MELVA JEAN GARNER, CLEO GARNER, SARAH JESSIE BENNETT, GUSTAVUS RUGLEY AND BETTY RUGLEY, TRUSTEES OF THE GUSTAVUS RUGLEY AND BETTY RUGLEY REVOCABLE TRUST, EMMA B. JONES AND BANKPLUS RESPONDENTS

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You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by the Plaintiff, Bridges Property Management, LLC, seeking to establish a non-exclusiove prescriptive easement over and

across the existing road that crosses the parcels owned by the heirs-at-law of Lee Earnest Tyler (Parcel No. 082D-18-049), Gustavus Rugley and Betty Rugley, Trustees of the Gustavus Rugley and Betty Rugley Revocable Trust (Parcel No. 082D-18-053.03), and Emma B. Jones (Parcel No. 082D-18-050), with the purposes of this easement being for ingress, egress, and utilities services.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Lindsey Hill Stringer, the attorney for the Plaintiff, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 110, Brandon, Mississippi 39043 and whose physical address is 115 Laurel Park Cove, Suite 108, Flowood, Mississippi 39232.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 10 th day of April, 2023.

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Subpart A, Acronyms and Definitions

Subpart B, General provisions

Subpart C, Pre-Federal Award Requirements and Contents of Federal Awards (except 2 CFR 200.204, .205, .210, and .213)

Subpart D, Post Federal; Award Requirements (except 2 CFR 200.305(b) (8) & (9), .308, .309, and .320(c)(4))

Subpart E, Cost Principles

Subpart F, Audit Requirements

2 CFR Part 25 (Universal Identifier & System for Award Management)

2 CFR Part 170 (Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information)

2 CFR Part 180 (OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement)

Executed contracts shall include provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards listed in Appendix II to Part 200

All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked with the following language: "Proposal for Engineering Services for MSDH RWAIG Project." Proposals will be evaluated on the following factors: Qualifications (40 points), Experience (40 points), and Project Knowledge (20 Points). To be evaluated properly, the following must be addressed in detail:

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Experience – The firm's experience and the projects previously undertaken, the project activities, and the status of the projects;

Project Knowledge – Familiarity with the OWNER's infrastructure and regulatory requirements of similar funding programs

The OWNER will designate a selection committee to evaluate each proposal. The selection committee may hold proposals for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days for the purpose of reviewing the content of the proposals and investigating the qualifications of the firms and assigned individuals. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals. The OWNER will award a contract with the qualified individual or firm whose proposal has the highest number of cumulative points issued by the selection committee and determined to be the most advantageous to the OWNER, all factors considered. The contract will include scope and extent of work and other essential requirements. The contract will be on a fixed price basis. The OWNER has the authority to terminate the selection at any time.

Publication Date: **APRIL 27, 2023**
Leroy Lacy, Board President

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RAGSDALE SOLAR, LLC
DOCKET NO. 2023-UA-025

IN RE: PETITION OF RAGSDALE SOLAR, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY IN MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, May 11, 2023, the Mississippi Public Service Commission will bring on for hearing the above styled matter. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 77-3-47, the Commission finds that because the matter is uncontested and ripe for review, the public convenience and necessity requires that this matter be brought for hearing on the above stated date.

THE HEARING WILL BE HELD at the Madison County Board of Supervisors Board Room, 146 W. Center St., Canton, MS 39046 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL of the Mississippi Public Service Commission on this the 14 th day of April 2023.

BRENT BAILEY
Commissioner, Central District

Katherine Collier,
Executive Secretary
(SEAL)
This Order is effective this the 14 th day of April 2023.

TITLE OF ABANDONMENT

BEAMON WRECKER SERVICE
11740 RD 571
PHILA, MS 39350
MAKE: 2005 ACURA TL
VIN: 19UUA66295A014346
PLACE OF SALE: BEAMON WRECKER SERVICE
SALE DATE: 05/03/23
OWNED BY: YOLANDA SHANNON, ELIZABETH JASPER
ADDRESS: 10361 ROAD 632 PHILA, MS 39350
LIENHOLDER: TEXCAP FINANCIAL / A&M AUTO

NOTICE OF NOTE SALE
URBAN RENEWAL NOTES (MADISON SQUARE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT) SERIES 2023-A OF THE MADISON SQUARE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MADISON, MISSISSIPPI
The Madison Square Redevelopment Authority (the "Issuer") of the City of Madison, Mississippi (the "City"), will receive sealed bids at Madison City Hall, 1004 Madison Avenue, Madison, Mississippi, until the hour of 5:00 P.M. (local time) on May 1, 2023, at which time said bids will be publicly opened and read, for the purchase in its entirety, at not less than par of an issue of not to exceed \$4,250,000 Urban Renewal Notes (Madison Square Redevelopment Project), Series 2023-A (the "Notes"). The Notes will be sold pursuant to terms set forth in, and will be dated, bear interest, be in such form and denominations, be numbered, mature, be subject to redemption, be secured, be payable and be subject to interest rate limitations as set forth in the Terms of Note Sale, Urban Renewal Notes (Madison Square Redevelopment Project), Series 2023-A (the "Terms of Note Sale"), a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk. Bids should be addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Issuer, plainly marked "Bid for Urban Renewal Notes (Madison Square Redevelopment Project), Series 2023-A of the Madison Square Redevelopment Authority," submitted substantially in the form provided by the Issuer and filed with the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Issuer on or prior to the date and hour hereinabove named. Each bid must be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check, or exchange, issued or certified by a bank located in the State of Mississippi as described in the Terms of Note Sale. The award, if any, will be made on the basis set forth in the Terms of Note Sale. The Issuer and the successful bidder shall have such other rights and obligations as are set forth in the Terms of Note Sale.
April 20, 2023
/s/ Anthony DiFatta, Chairman
Publish: April 20, 2023 and April 27, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF A.M.S., A MINOR
CAUSE NO. : 22-989

LATANYA MOORE
PETITIONER

RULE 81 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF MADISON

TO: UNKNOWN FATHER
ADDRESS UNKNOWN
(Or wherever he may be found)

THE COMPLAINT WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition for Guard-

ianship of a Minor at 8:30 a.m. on the 12 th day of June 2023, in the courtroom of the Honorable Cynthia Brewer at the Madison County Chancery Court located in Canton, Mississippi. In case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an Answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand this the 4th day of April 2023.

RONNY LOTT, MADISON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT CLERK

By: _Stacey Toten____
Prepared by:

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Attorney for Petitioner

IT Help Desk Coordinator
Madison County, Mississippi, located in central Mississippi, is currently seeking an IT Help Desk Coordinator. The position requires experience with customer-service telephone skills as well as basic technology experience with desktop personal computers and networks. This position will be responsible for assisting users on the network with problems such as log-on accounts, printer issues, and other basic desktop and network issues. The position will also manage trouble tickets that are submitted to IT via email. Preferred qualifications include multi-year experience in customer service and basic IT technology support. Resumes will be accepted until May 12, 2023.

Submit letter of application with resume, including references to: Madison County Board of Supervisors
Attn: Loretta D. Phillips, Director of Human Resources
P. O. Box 608 Canton, MS 39046
Resumes and references may also be emailed to hr@madison-co.com
Drug screening and criminal background check are required. Applications and applicants' information will remain confidential to the extent allowed by law.
Madison County is an EEO/ADA employer.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

SAM HAWKINS AND AUGUSTINE J. HAWKINS
PLAINTIFFS
VS
CAUSE NUMBER: 22-306

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF TRUDY J. HAWKINS DEFENDANTS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF MADISON

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF TRUDY J. HAWKINS

You have been made a Defendant in a suit filed in this Court by Sam Hawkins and Augustine J. Hawkins, seeking an order from this Court declaring them as the sole heirs-at-law of Trudy J. Hawkins. The Defendants, other than you, in this action are unknown.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 8:30 o'clock a.m. on the 8th day of June 2023, in the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, located in Canton, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 24 day of April, 2023.
Ronny Lott Chancery Court Clerk

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CLARKDELL ROAD BRIDGE REHABILITATION
BID NUMBER 2023-0001
Bids will be received by the Madison County Board of Supervisors until 10 A.M. Friday, May 26 , 2023, for the **Clarkdell Road Bridge Rehabilitation Project** . All bids so received will be publicly opened and read aloud. The project generally consists of striping of various roadways in the county. Bids may be submitted by either of the following methods:
1. Sealed bids will be received until 10 A.M. Friday, May 26 , 2023, at the Madison County Chancery Clerk's office, Room 225-228, 146 West North Street, Canton, MS 39046. All sealed bids submitted to the Chancery Clerk's office shall be marked on the outside face of the envelope, " **CLARKDELL ROAD BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT** ," and shall have the bidder's Certificate of Responsibility Number written on the outside of the envelope. If any envelope is not so marked, said bid shall not be opened and considered.

2. Electronic bids will be received until 10 A.M. Friday, May 26 , 2023, as a PDF file via Madison County's website at <http://www.madison-co.com/bids> . Each bidder submitting a bid electronically as a PDF file shall include its Certificate of Responsibility Number as part of its PDF electronic bid submitted. Any electronic PDF bid that does not include the bidder's Certificate of Responsibility Number shall not be considered. Plans, specifications, and contract documents are on file and can be viewed and downloaded at <https://www.madison-co.com/bids> . Questions regarding plans and specifications should be sent to Tim Bryan, P.E. with the Madison County Engineer's Office at tim.bryan@madison-co.com or 601-790-2520. Madison County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all

bids.
Madison County Board of Supervisors By: (s) Kesha Jackson, Purchase Clerk

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TRUDY J. HAWKINS

CAUSE NUMBER:22-CV-00306

Letter of Administration having been granted on the 4TH day of May, 2022 by the Chancery Court Of Madison County Mississippi to the undersigned upon the Estate of Trudy J. Hawkins, deceased. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication of this notice to creditors or they will be forever barred.

This the 16th day of April, 2023.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT E. CLARK, JR., DECEASED
CAUSE NO. _____23-408 C
PAMELA L. HANCOCK, PETITIONER
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 18th day of April, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert E. Clark, Jr., Deceased, being probated in Cause No.23-408-C on the docket of said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred. THIS, the 19th day of April, 2023.
/s/ Pamela L. Hancock
Pamela L. Hancock, Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert E. Clark, Jr., Deceased
PREPARED BY:
Pamela L. Hancock (MSB# 10676)
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

ESTATE OF ANTOANETTE STAPHAN
D E C E A S E D
NO. 2023-120W

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 9 th day of February, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of Antioanette Staphan, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This the 14th day of April, 2023.

/s/ Khader H. Istiphani
Khader H. Istiphani, Executor of the Estate of Antioanette Staphan, Deceased

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ATTORNEY

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Madison County Economic Development Authority (MCEDA) until **11:00 A.M. on Friday, May 19, 2023**, at the office of MCEDA, 135_Mississippi_Pkwy., Canton, MS 39046., for the furnishing of all labor and materials and for the construction of that certain project designated as **"Madison County Parkway Extension Paving Improvements"**. Project Drawings and Specifications are on file and can be viewed at the office of MCEDA, 135 Mississippi Pkwy, MS 39046 and Civil-Link, LLC, 276 Nissan Parkway, Building B, Suite 300, Canton, MS 39046.

Sealed bids will then be publicly read aloud in the office of MCEDA. All sealed bids submitted shall be marked on the outside face of the envelope "Bid: **"Madison County Parkway Paving Improvements"** and shall have the bidder's Certificate of Responsibility Number written on the outside of the envelope. If any envelope is not so marked, said bid shall not be opened or considered.

Bids are for the construction of paving and curb and gutter improvements associated with the widening and extension of Madison County Parkway. Work shall include, but not limited to, asphalt paving, curb and gutter, drainage improvements, and erosion control.

The **total** Contract Time will be **120** consecutive calendar days and the liquidated damages will be **\$500.00** per consecutive calendar day thereafter.

A MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE OFFICE OF MCEDA (135 MISSISSIPPI PKWY, CANTON, MS 39046), AT 1:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, April 26, 2023.

Copies of the drawings and specifications, together with contract documents, may be obtained from the office of Civil Link, LLC, 276 Nissan Pkwy, Building B, Suite 300, Canton,



MRA alum named to Phi Sigma Theta

Phi Sigma Theta is proud to announce that Kennedi Sanders, the daughter of Kenneth and Sandra Sanders of Madison, has recently become a member of Pi Sigma Theta National Honor Society at Louisiana State University. Phi Sigma Theta is a national honor society dedicated to recognizing and rewarding academic achievement in undergraduates at institutions of higher learning. Congratulations Kennedi Sanders. Sanders is an LSU freshman who is majoring in Sports Administration. She is a sprinter on the LSU Women's Track and Field team. She is a graduate of Madison Ridgeland Academy.



Madison residents took part in Opera Mississippi's "Die Fledermaus" performance last weekend. Pictured, from left: Lynn and Patti Wentworth, Opera Mississippi Executive Director Stacey Trenteseaux, who also sand Rosalinda, Administrative Director Kristen Dreaper, and Ambriehl McCoy, Opera intern and chorus member.

Madison residents take part in opera performance

By JOHN LEE
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Madison's Tonya Ware and Lynn Wentworth both took part in Opera Mississippi's recent performance of "Die Fledermaus!" and said it was great fun to work with such gifted individuals.

Ware and Wentworth were part of the ensemble cast of the show on April 22 at Thalia Mara Hall.

Ware, who also works as executive director for Leadership Greater Jackson and State Project Director of ReadyNation MS in Madison, said she decided to audition for Opera Mississippi after telling the leaders in her Business Mastermind class that she wanted to try a new genre of music.

"I've recorded both gospel and jazz albums in the past," Ware said. "What an awesome experience it has been to connect with so many gifted individuals and to be part of the push to get people out to shows

again. I love that metro Jackson has so much to offer and Opera Mississippi is surely a highlight."

"Die Fledermaus!" is described as the 1800s meet the 1980s, and gets its title from a humiliatingly drunken incident involving a man named "Dr. Falke," a character whose friends refer to him as "The Bat."

The story of the opera follows Gabriel von Eisenstein, who has been sentenced to spend a short time in city jail. He has put off jail as long as he can, but his sentence must start before the end of the calendar year. It is now New Year's Eve and he must fulfill his sentence.

However, Dr. Falke (The Bat), who its still seeking revenge from his past drunken incident, suggests that instead of going to jail, Eisenstein should attend a party at a famous Russian Prince's home, without his wife, Rosalinda.

To make things even more

complicated, Rosalinda shows up at the party disguised as a famous Hungarian Countess and tricks him into seducing her. In the end, everyone in the party winds up at the jail the next morning to make fun of Eisenstein for falling into the trap set by Rosalinda and "The Bat."

Lynn Wentworth said he and his wife Patti joined Opera Mississippi in 2015 when their friends Bill and Bobbye Henley "made us an offer we could not refuse."

"They offered us to become board members of Opera Mississippi and the Natchez Festival of Music," Wentworth said. "Patti chose Natchez and I picked the opera. We have learned so much about the opera, and the dedication and discipline of the people who produce and perform in the opera arena. Not only have we been educated but we have great fun working with our fellow board members, singers, and performers."

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MS 39046 Telephone No. 601-499-17 24, upon payment of \$100.00 for each set, none of which is refundable. All bids submitted in excess of \$50,000 by a Prime or Subcontractor to do any erection, building, construction, repair, maintenance, or related work must be in compliance with and subject to Sections 31-3-15 and 31-3-21 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as annotated and amended, and in all case law pertaining thereto. Award will be made to the lowest and best bidder and the Madison Cuntly Economic Development Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all informalities.

Madison County Economic Development Authority

BY: Joey Deason, Executive Director

PUBLISH DATES: April 20, 2023, and April 27, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CATHERINE BROWN, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2018-48 (W)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 18 th day of January, 2018, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Catherine Brown, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. THIS, the 22nd day of December, 2022.

/s/ Tony Edmond TONY EDMOND, Administrator of the Estate of Catherine Brown, deceased

SAMUEL H. WILLIFORD, MSB #100095 WILLIFORD, McALLISTER, JACOBUS & WHITE, LLP ATTORNEYS AT LAW 303 Highland Park Cove, Suite A Ridgeland, Mississippi 39157 (601) 991-2000 Attorney for Administratrix

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN L. HARVEY, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2021-767 W NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on August 25, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to the undersigned John Thomas Harvey, Executor of the Estate of John L. Harvey, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this notice or they will forever be barred. This the 13 th day of April, 2023. John Thomas Harvey Executor of the Estate of John L. Harvey, Deceased Ian Austin (MSB No. 104584) COPELAND COOK TAYLOR & BUSH, P.A. 600 Concourse, Suite 100 1076 Highland Colony Parkway Ridgeland, MS 39157 Telephone 601-856-7200

There came on for consideration the matter of providing financing for various capital improvements for the City of Gluckstadt, Mississippi, and after a discussion of the subject matter Alderman Slay offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF GLUCKSTADT, MISSISSIPPI (THE "CITY"), TO EITHER ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY, ISSUE A GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND OF THE CITY FOR SALE TO THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT BANK, OR ENTER INTO A LOAN WITH THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT BANK, ALL IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS (\$8,000,000) TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF (A) PURCHASING, ERECTING, REPAIRING, IMPROVING, ADORNING AND EQUIPPING MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS INCLUDING CONSTRUCTING AND FURNISHING A MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING AND POLICE STATION, AND FOR PURCHASING LAND THEREFOR, IF NECESSARY; (B) FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTIONS 21-33-301 ET SEQ. AND SECTIONS 31-25-1 ET SEQ., MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED; (C) AND PAYING FOR COSTS OF ISSUANCE OF THE BORROWING; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen (the "Governing Body") of the City of Gluckstadt, Mississippi (the "City"), acting for and on behalf of the City, is authorized by Sections 21-33-301 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended and supplemented (the "City Bond Act"), to issue general obligation bonds for the purposes set forth therein, including, but not limited to, (a) purchasing, erecting, repairing, improving, adorning and equipping municipal buildings, including constructing and furnishing a municipal court building and police station, and purchasing land therefor, if necessary; (b) for other related purposes authorized under Sections 21-33-301 et seq., and Sections 31-25-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended and supplemented; (c) and for paying for costs of issuance of the borrowing (collectively items (a)-(c) are the "Project"); and WHEREAS, the Governing Body, acting for and on behalf of the City, is also authorized under the City Bond Act and Sections 31-25-1 et seq., Missis-

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sippi Code of 1972, as amended and supplemented (the "Bank Act"), and other applicable laws of the State, to (a) issue a general obligation bond of the City to be sold to the Mississippi Development Bank (the "Bank") to finance the costs of the Project, or (b) enter into a loan or loans with the Bank to borrow money to finance the costs of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project is in accordance with and in furtherance of the provisions of the City Bond Act and, the Bank Act; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is authorized pursuant to the City Bond Act and the Bank Act to provide funding for the costs of the Project either through the issuance of (a) general obligation bonds of the City pursuant to the City Bond Act in a total aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000) (the "Bonds"), (b) a general obligation bond of the City to be sold to the Bank in a total aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000) (the "City Bond"), or (c) by entering into a loan or loans with the Bank to borrow money from the Bank in a total principal amount not to exceed Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000) (the "Loan"); and WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City for the Governing Body to provide funding for the costs of the Project by borrowing money through the issuance of the Bonds or the City Bond or by entering into the Loan; and

WHEREAS, the City reasonably expects that it will incur expenditures in connection with the Project for which the City intends to reimburse itself with the proceeds of the Bonds, the City Bond or the Loan; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is authorized and empowered by the City Bond Act, the Bank Act, and the Refunding Act to issue the Bonds or the City Bond or to enter into the Loan for the purposes herein set forth and there are no other available funds on hand or available from regular sources of income for such purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY, ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1. The Governing Body, acting for and on behalf of the City, hereby declares its intention to either (a) issue and sell the Bonds pursuant to the City Bond Act in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000), (b) issue and sell the City Bond to the Bank pursuant to the City Bond Act and the Bank Act in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000), or (c) enter into the Loan with the Bank pursuant to the City Bond Act and the Bank Act in a principal amount not to exceed Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000).

SECTION 2. The Bonds or the City Bond will be issued or the Loan will be entered into for the purpose of financing the Project, as authorized by the City Bond Act and the Bank Act. SECTION 3. The Bonds or the City Bond may be issued in one or more series and, if issued, will be general obligations of the City payable as to principal and interest out of and secured by an irrevocable pledge of the avails of a direct and continuing tax to be levied annually without limitation as to time, rate or amount upon all the taxable property within the geographical limits of the City. The Loan, if issued, will be payable from available revenues of the City and will not constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory restrictions, limitations, or provisions, and the taxing power of the City will not be pledged to the payment of the Loan.

SECTION 4. The Governing Body proposes to direct the issuance of all or any portion of the Bonds or the City Bond or to authorize the Loan in the amount and for the purposes and secured as aforesaid at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held at its usual meeting place located at the City Hall in the City, located at 343 Distribution Drive, Madison, Mississippi, at the hour of 6:00 p.m. on May 9, 2023, or at some meeting or meetings subsequent thereto; provided, however, that if ten percent (10%) or fifteen hundred (1,500), whichever is less, of the qualified electors of the City shall file a written protest with the City Clerk against the issuance of the Bonds or the City Bond or the authorization of the Loan on or before the aforesaid date and hour, then the Bonds or the City Bond shall not be issued or the Loan shall not be entered into unless approved at an election on the question thereof called and held as is provided by law; provided, further that if no protest is filed, then the Bonds or the City Bond may be issued and sold in one or more series or the City may enter into the Loan without an election on the question of the issuance thereof at any time within a period of two (2) years after May 9, 2025.

SECTION 5. In full compliance with the City Bond Act, the City Clerk is hereby directed to (i) publish a copy of this resolution once a week for at least three (3) consecutive weeks in Madison County Journal, a newspaper published in the City, and having a general circulation in the City and qualified under the provisions of Section 13-3-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, with the first publication being not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to May 9, 2023, and the last publication being made not more than seven (7) days prior to May 9, 2023, and (ii) post a copy of this resolution in at least three (3) public places within the City for at least twenty-one (21) days prior to May 9, 2023.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk is hereby directed to procure from the publisher of the aforesaid newspaper the customary proof of the publication of this resolution and the required notice and have the same before the Governing Body on the date and hour specified in Section 4 hereof.

SECTION 7. The City hereby declares its official intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of the Bonds, the City Bond or the Loan for expenses incurred with respect to the Project subsequent to the date of this resolution. This resolution is intended as a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation 1.150-2. The Bonds, the City Bond or the Loan will not exceed the aggregate principal amount of Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000).

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SECTION 8. If any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any of the other provisions of this resolution, but this resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision or provisions had not been contained herein.

Alderman Powell seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Alderman Bates voted: Aye
Alderman Powell voted: Aye
Alderman Slay voted: Aye
Alderman Taylor voted: Aye
Alderman Williams voted: Aye

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution be adopted this the 5th day of April, 2023.

/s/ Walter Morrison, Mayor
/s/ Lindsay Kellum, City Clerk

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF A.M.S., A MINOR CAUSE NO.: 22-989

LATANYA MOORE PETITIONER

RULE 81 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF MADISON

TO: MYEISHA AUSTIN ADDRESS UNKNOWN (Or wherever she may be found

THE COMPLAINT WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition for Guardianship of a Minor at 8:30 a.m. on the 12 th day of June 2023, in the courtroom of the Honorable Cynthia Brewer at the Madison County Chancery Court located in Canton, Mississippi. In case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an Answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand this the 4th day of April 2023.

RONNY LOTT, MADISON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT CLERK

By: _Stacey Toten____ Prepared by:

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Notice of sale is hereby given in accordance with the Mississippi Statutes governing the sale of abandoned motor vehicles for the following: 1999 Ford Ranger, VIN # 1FTZR15V0X PB16047, \$2755.25, and a 2010 NISSAN ALTIMA, VIN # 1N4AL2AP6A N443069, \$2086.50. Public sale of these abandoned/unclaimed vehicles and their contents will be held on Friday May 5, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. at Gilmore Towing & Recovery, 124 E. State Street, Ridgeland, MS 39157.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF M.L.W., A MINOR

SARAH WRIGHT, PETITIONER CAUSE NO. 22-728

RULE 81 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF MADISON

TO: REBECCA WRIGHT ADDRESS UNKNOWN (Or wherever she may be found

THE PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor at 9:00 a.m. on the 3 rd day of July 2023, in the courtroom of the Honorable Judge James C. Walker, Madison County Chancery Courthouse located in Canton, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an Answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand this the 4th day of April, 2023.

RONNY LOTT, MADISON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT CLERK

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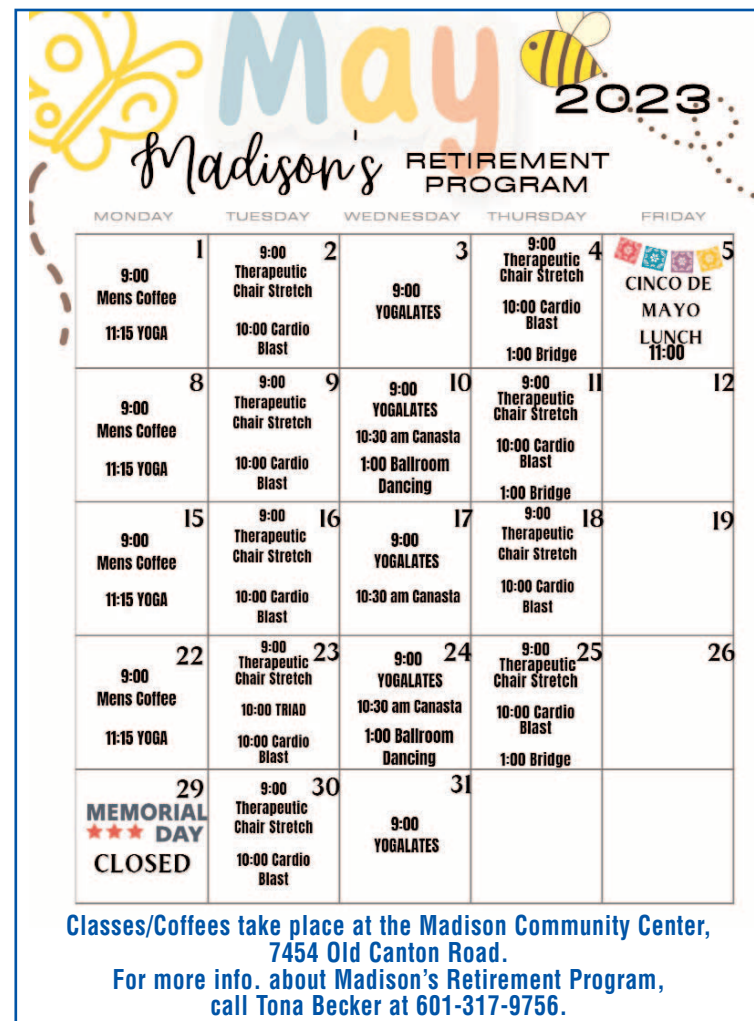
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