

Mississippi School of Health Services and Careers hold White Coat Graduation Ceremony



White Coat graduates receive certificates at ceremony July 29, 2022 PHOTO BY KEVIN BRADLEY



Dr. Marcus Chanay
PHOTO BY JACKIE HAMPTON

By Jackie Hampton
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The Mississippi School of Health Services and Careers, located at 3023 Highway 80 East in Pearl, MS, held a White Coat Graduation Ceremony July 29. It was held at the Brandon Public Library.

Twenty-two certified nursing assistant graduates, twenty-four phlebotomy graduates and seven medical billing and coding graduates received degrees while relatives and friends wit-

nessed the ceremony.

The ceremony began with an opening prayer by Chairman of the Board/CEO Makeba White Chanay followed by a welcome and ceremony speech by President Marcus A. Chanay, Ph.D, CFRM.

In his welcome Chanay congratulated the students and said, “You are at the halfway mark. The white coats you are wearing today marks the beginning of your journey. Wherever your healthcare training

takes you wear your white coat with pride and privilege, but of much greater importance, with humility.”

He told each group of graduates not to stop but rather make the graduation just the beginning of that long life journey.

Also present to support the graduates was a team from the University Medical Center to tell them about job opportunities and give them advice on

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2004 SWAC Catcher of the Year catches life’s curveball; runs home in the 9th



By Gail H. M. Brown, Ph.D.
Contributing Writer

It is a known fact that life will throw unexpected curveballs. On July 20, 2022, Rafael Reshawn Johnson caught an unexpected curveball and then made a homerun. The 2004 SWAC Catcher of the Year and true-to-heart “Thee I Love” Jackson State University alumni succumbed in the comfort of his Atlanta home.

News of his death practically went viral on-and-off social media as it crushed the hearts of those who loved him and his witty character.

A display of the Hollandale, Miss. native’s life was celebrated Saturday, July 30, 2022, at 11 a.m. in the gymnasium of Simmons High School in Hollandale.

Although Johnson is deceased, more than his legacy will live on. During the acknowledgements/words of encouragement, his aunt, Etesta Causey, of Atlanta, shared that his organs had been donated to Lifelink of Georgia.

“Being the next of kin on file, I was contacted by Lifelink with the request to donate his organs,” said

Causey. “Due to heightened sensitivity at the moment, I was hesitant to broach the request with my sister, but immediately contacted her because I understood that it was a time-sensitive request. Without a second thought, his mother said, ‘If my baby can save another life, yes. Let me consult with his dad.’ I notified the Lifelink representative of their decision to donate.”

The Mississippi Link recently asked Johnson’s mother, Pamela Johnson, what deciding factors went into their decision. She replied, “There really wasn’t a deciding factor; it was a no-brainer. Ralph touched the lives of many during his 39 years, and the thought of him being able to save and/or help others in his death gives me peace. He will live on through the lives of others.”

According to WebMD.com, “more than 113,000 people in the U.S. are waiting for an organ.”

Organ donors are always in short supply and most of the organs that are available come from deceased donors that opted to fill out an organ

No end in sight – Trash Collection Saga Part 2

By Christopher Young
Contributing Writer



In Part 1 of this series a timeline of significant events in what has become the trash collection saga was detailed, covering a period from March 2021 until April 1, 2022. A majority of Jackson City Council members (Banks, Foote, Hartley and Stokes) voted down awarding a trash collection contract to a new vendor, FCC Environmental Services, in August 2021. The contract with Waste Management, who had held it for nearly 35 years, was due to expire a month later.

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Then came emergency declarations with a local company being submitted for a temporary emergency contract. That was nullified de facto by legal maneuvering with the council filing suit against the mayor, then coming to an agreement to avoid further litigation, by giving Waste Management another six months.

Starting in January of this year, new bids from a new Request for Proposal (RFP) process, which included the same three bidders, were considered. This process, unlike the first, was blind. No one knew the identities of the bidders,

and between the three of them, four different options were put forth and brought before council for their consideration. The list was whittled down to two options by the council and it was now up to the mayor to make a selection.

All seemed well for a moment until Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba selected the option/company that would save the city \$1.2 million per year. Once that name was revealed – and it was determined that it was not Waste Management, the chaos began again. The majority of the council voted down awarding the new contract to Richard’s Disposal twice; with Banks, Foote,

Hartley and Lindsay who flipped from her previous position. Lee and Grizzell were in favor and Stokes abstained.

Citing a caveat in a recent ruling by Special Judge Dickenson, the mayor vetoed the majority vote of the council April 1, and issued an emergency order to proceed with Richard’s Disposal.

Law suits were filed soon thereafter and eventually retired Judge Larry Roberts of Meridian, the second special judge to hear related matters, was appointed. Then came the first invoice from Richard’s Disposal for \$808,035

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Federal judge seizes control of Mississippi jail

By Michael Goldberg
Associated Press/Report for America

In a Friday ruling, U.S. Southern District of Mississippi Judge Carlton Reeves placed Hinds County’s Raymond Detention Center in Raymond into receivership.

The judge will soon appoint an expert, known as a “receiver,” to temporarily manage the facility in hopes of improving its conditions.

“After ample time and opportunity, regrettably, it is clear that the county is incapable, or unwilling, to handle its affairs,”



Reeves

the judge wrote. “Additional intervention is required. It is time to appoint a receiver.”

Reeves said that deficiencies in supervision and staffing lead to “a stunning array of assaults, as well as deaths.” Seven individuals died last year while detained at the jail, he said.

County officials said they’re still digesting the order and are determining whether they will appeal, WLBT-TV reported.

Federal and state judges have ordered receiverships or a similar transfer of control for prisons and jails only about eight times, according to Hernandez Strod, an attorney at the Brennan Center for Justice at NYU School of

Law.

The details governing the receivership will be decided by Reeves.

“What this receivership order looks like is totally within the court’s discretion,” Stroud said. “What powers to give the receiver, how long the receivership should last – those are matters that Judge Reeves will figure out.”

Reeves wrote in his decision that the facility’s staffing levels are “particularly egregious.”

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Rafael's mother Pamela and his children Andrew and Raleigh

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Back-to-School giveaway at Medgar Evers Library

By James Hampton III
Contributing Writer

Sunday afternoon around 2:30 a line of parents and children formed outside the entrance of the Medgar Evers library for a giveaway of school supplies.

The prompt arrival of Councilman Kenneth Stokes of Ward 3 signaled the commencement of the school supply giveaway on the last day of July.

Priority number one became getting the people out of the heat. The doors were opened and people filed into the library's meeting room where chairs were quickly put out for the parents.

The giveaway proceeded in an orderly fashion as a uniformed JPD officer was on hand to serve and protect the citizens as they took advantage of the opportunity to receive the requisite supplies for the upcoming school year which starts for Jackson Public School students August 8.

Attendees received writing utensils, crayons, paper, notebooks, folders, organizers and other supplies. There were enough supplies for all of the attendees and names were taken to supply those parents with requests for supplies that were not currently on hand.

Local parent Consuela Banks received school supplies for her little ones. Speaking with reporters from the local news stations attending the event, she explained that with prices



Back to school giveaway hosted by Councilman Stokes

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Howard Sanders of Central Mississippi Health Services



Sheltered from the July heat, parents and students filled the meeting room in the Medgar Evers Library.



Consuela Banks being interview by WAPT news while getting school supplies for her children.

on the rise "a lot of parents can't afford anything" and that back to school drives like this one helps. Speaking about the sponsors and the organizers Banks said, "it makes people feel good to know that people still care."

This particular event was sponsored in part by Dr. Robert Smith's office of Central Mississippi Health Services.

Howard Sanders represented Dr. Smith's office and in between hand-

ling out supplies he mentioned that the goal in regard to the young people is to "touch and inspire" and to encourage them to "get their education."

Sanders identified Kenneth Stokes as someone "trying to get results," as

he continued to lend his energy to the success of the event.

Councilman Stokes summed up the event with these words, "We must continue to work together. Those that know better, got to do better."

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how to move forward with their careers.

Closing remarks were made by CEO Chanay, who is also a coding instructor. She told the students how very proud she was of them for their achievements. She shared how she had to start at the bottom and continued to work her way up because she had a career goal in mind. Her parting words to the graduates were “the sky is the limit and let God lead you.”

Linda Edison, mother of Erica Edison said she was very proud of her daughter who received a certificate in phlebotomy. She said, “I’ll be even more proud when I see where she will go from here.”



Staff from University Medical Center offered graduates support and advice. PHOTOS BY KEVIN BRADLEY



Erica Edison holds her certificate in phlebotomy.

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Johnson’s JSU coaches and teammates at his homegoing celebration PHOTOS BY GAIL BROWN

donor card with their driver’s license.

Throughout Saturday’s celebration and fellowship, family, friends, baseball coaches, teammates and others echoed admirable reflections of Johnson’s life and his passion for serving others.” Many fought back tears.

JSU Baseball coach Omar Johnson

shared that they had been friends for 20 years. “He first introduced himself to me as ‘Hi, I’m Rafiel Johnson, and I’m from the Delta.’” Omar Johnson recalled. Coach Rafiel Johnson had returned to JSU at one point and served as assistant baseball coach under coach Omar Johnson.

JSU assistant coach Kevin White-side shared the saying that ‘when it comes to friends, it’s better to have four quarters than 100 pennies.’ “I feel I’ve lost one of my quarters,” he said.

“Ralph was a wonderful teammate, tremendous ambassador for JSU baseball and loyal friend to so many, in-

cluding myself. His exuberant and infectious spirit will be missed by all who knew and loved him,” stated teammate Kendrick Marshall. Johnson was Marshall’s best friend and Best Man at his wedding.

Johnson’s ‘loving companion,’ Carmen Durham, of Atlanta, described him as “loving, serving and fun-spirited. He was an awesome friend, and there is nothing he wouldn’t do for me and Raleigh (their daughter). He was my best friend.”

Johnson also has a son, Andrew, named after Johnson’s father, Andrew Chatman Jr.

He loved baseball and Jackson State, his mother stressed. He made sure his cousins and his baby brother, Devin, followed his path to JSU. “Devin is currently a junior in computer science,” she said. “We will purchase a family legacy brick when he graduates. That’s what Ralph had planned to do.”

Rafiel found his passion during the mid-game of his life when he began working as an operation team member

with the St. Hope Public School. He changed teams in 2015 when he became a technology education teacher for Lovejoy Middle School, Hampton, GA. He later changed positions to Middle School math teacher.

Rafiel’s excitement could not be contained when he completed the Teacher Academy of Preparation and Pedagogy (TAPP) Program. He was destined to be a major contributor to assist students in becoming life-long learners. Before his passing, Rafiel was looking forward to transitioning to his new career with the baseball coaching staff at Westlake High School (Fulton County School District). His love for sports and children drove him to continue coaching and mentoring young football players.

His mother also shared that Johnson never caused her any trouble. “He had a disciplined upbringing being taught how to respect his elders and attend church,” she said. “And, it carried over in his life. It has really been a joy hearing so many great stories from his coaches, teammates and friends.”

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and on May 24 the council voted 5-2 (Lee and Grizzell opposed) to remove the invoice from the claims docket.

On July 8, after a hearing in Hinds County Chancery Court, Judge Roberts ruled that that the mayor can’t veto a no vote by the council. Richard’s had been picking up trash for over three full months by the time of that ruling. The mayor has 30 days to decide whether to appeal Judge Robert’s ruling.

Since the clock started ticking on those 30 days, two significant things have happened. First, on July 13, Richard’s Disposal filed suit for payment in the amount of \$1.6 million and has requested a jury trial, and second, on July 19 in executive session, the council voted to deny any request by the mayor for the city to pay for him to appeal the decision to a higher court, and also changes to the city council legal team – which results in even more taxpayer dollars being spent, as reported by WLBT; details of those votes were not contained in the report.

Speaking of taxpayer dollars, by mid-June, reports from several sources revealed the legal fees for this ordeal had cost the taxpayers of Jackson more than \$161,000 with no end in sight. And now we have the City Council deciding they can have unconstrained access to taxpayer money for their legal expenses, but they say the mayor should be treated differently. Again, we don’t know the details of the vote to constrain the mayor’s ability to appeal with city funds.

In another twist, the City Council keeps adding attorneys to their legal roster. By last count attorneys Deshun Martin, John Scanlon, Jerry Mills and Zachary Giddy were added. Does

that seem excessive? Would these City Council members hire four attorneys to represent them if they were personally paying the tab?

It’s that grandiosity, i.e. we can hire four attorneys at \$250 per hour each, but you can’t have any funds to appeal, that really sticks out about this group. They claim to be serving the city, but they fight vehemently to keep a contractor that has been hoodwinking the city for decades.

In case we forget, the City of Jackson starts and stops and modifies contracts all the time. Every city does, it’s totally normal. You have contracts for paper products, copiers, vehicles, consulting services, home-delivered meals for the elderly, security guards at the water plants, contracts to replace bridges, contracts to demolish buildings – contracts happen every month of the year. No big deal. But if you are the mayor of Jackson, trying to get a better deal for the city, God help you. The majority of this council forbids the mayor from altering the trash collection contract in any way.

At first I was really confused by all this behavior by the majority of the Jackson City Council, then I was baffled. The more it goes on though it looks like malfeasance. And this harmful behavior by select members of the City Council has three prongs: 1) turning their back on a \$1.2 million per year cost savings because it seems they are beholden to the old company, 2) burdening the taxpayer with unnecessary legal expenses that continue to balloon, and 3) diverting their attention from so many other important issues while they are fixated on this trash collection contract.

It is easily noted that council members Lee and Grizzell are the exceptions here.

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“Persistent shortcomings in staffing and supervision embolden gangs and encourage the prevalent circulation of contraband, including narcotics and weapons,” Reeves wrote. “Jail staff continue to receive inadequate training regarding use of force, such as the use of tasers.”

He also wrote that cell doors still do not lock and a lack of lighting in cells makes life “miserable for the detainees who live there and prevents guards from adequately surveilling detainees.” He also said that guards sometimes turn to sleeping instead of manning the cameras in the control room.

Reeves’ decision comes months after he agreed to scale back the county’s jail 2016 consent decree with the federal government to address “unconstitutional conditions” at Raymond and two other facilities that comprise the Hinds County jail system

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Word and Worship Church, located at 6286 Hanging Moss Rd. in Jackson, and the Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health, distributed over 300 bags of school supplies to local area students Saturday, July 30.

“Some of these children are going to school for the first time,” stated Jeffery Stallworth, Bishop of Word and Worship. “They’ll be without if we don’t have events like this. It is important we try to help as many as we can.”

In addition to the school supplies, COVID-19 vaccines, booster shots and take-home testing kits were available.

“Because we are still dealing with COVID-19, I am grateful to the Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health for supporting us and providing access to vaccines and boosters,” said Bishop Stallworth.

Other agencies on hand to support were the NAACP, Magnolia Medical Foundation and Alcorn State University Extension Office.



Bishop Jeffery A. Stallworth greets families at the drive thru Back to School blast



Asia McCoy, program manager, Institute for the Advancement of Minority Health, and Lakitha Hughes, member, Word and Worship Church



A volunteer gives bags to families during the drive thru school supply distribution.



Volunteers do final inspection before bag distribution.

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Honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Tellis B. Ellis, III

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Dr. Tellis B. Ellis, III was born on December 15, 1943, in Jackson, MS to legendary college athletics director, the late Tellis B. Ellis, Jr., and the late Lucinda Jenkins Ellis. He received his heavenly wings June 25, 2022, at St. Dominic Hospital in Jackson, MS.

Born in the spotlight by inheriting the name of his famous father and grandfather, he grew up actively involved in sports, especially football. He was a terrific athlete and adept at quarterback, wide receiver, running back, punter and place kicker.

In 1961, Dr. Ellis graduated from Jim Hill High School. His most memorable experience at Jim Hill was quarterbacking the first undefeated football team. After graduating from Jim Hill High School, Dr. Ellis brought his athletic talents to Jackson State University. As a kicking specialist and defensive ace with Jackson State College Tigers, he signed to play with the NFL Green Bay Packers. He spent time in the Green Bay Packers pre-season training camp before getting accepted into Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN.

Upon completing medical school and his Internal Medicine residency at Meharry Medical College, Dr. Ellis completed his cardiology fellowship at the University of

Mississippi Medical Center. Dr. Ellis was the first African American to complete a cardiology fellowship at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, and the first African-American cardiologist in the State of Mississippi. In September of 1978, Dr. Ellis, along with Dr. Malcolm P. Taylor, one nurse, and an office manager, opened Jackson Cardiology Associates.

In the early 1990s they began efforts to recruit cardiologists to expand their practice. Over the years, their staff grew from three employees to more than twenty, including one nurse practitioner. For over 30 years, Jackson Cardiology served as the largest black cardiology group in the nation, bringing primary and tertiary level cardiology care and a place where patients could come and expect to be treated with respect, courtesy, and receive the best cardiovascular care available anywhere in the world.

During his formative and adult years, Dr. Ellis attended Pearl Street AME Church, and he was a Life Member of Pearl Street AME Church.

Dr. Ellis married the late Patricia Ward and to this union, one child was born, Tellis Ellis, IV. In 2014, Dr. Ellis married Dr. Rosie Brantley Ellis. Dr. Ellis loved and cherished his close-knit family. He was a God-fearing man and a spiritual anchor for his family and circle of loving and supportive friends and colleagues. Dr. Ellis was also a beloved brother of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., and he even functioned as one of the Charter Members for the Jackson Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

He immensely enjoyed sporting events, traveling, reading, billiards and fly fishing. Dr. Ellis's spirit will truly be missed. Dr. Ellis was preceded in death by his brother Talmage Ellis.

He leaves to cherish his memories a devoted wife who loved him dearly, Dr. Rosie Ellis; a beloved son, Tellis Ellis, IV (Sharol); a beloved grandson Brian Alexander Ellis, a loving step-daughter, Dr. Janet M. Brantley; two brothers Sidney Ellis, and Maurice Ellis (Gloria); one sister Agnes Ellis, and a host of loving cousins, nieces, nephews, and devoted friends and colleagues in the Jackson medical community.



Elected leaders - what do you embrace? - Part 2

By Chris Young
Contributing Writer



This week the series continues focusing on elected leaders and trying to discern what and who they embrace and therefore what and who they do not embrace. In the first part of the series focus was given to the fundamental characteristics of leadership and then actual decision-making by state elected leaders on 1) refusal to expand Medicaid 2) refusal to expand postpartum medical care for new mothers, 3) passing an anti-CRT law, and 4) passing the Tax Freedom Act of 2022.

These examples of decision-making by our majority white conservative elected lawmakers at the Mississippi capitol are the norm. Mississippi is the poorest state in the country, and we also have the highest population of African-American residents per capita in the country. It is no accident that the decision-making and legislation by these majority white Christian lawmakers targets these populations.

Moving on with examples – the TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) corruption. There was the theft of tens of millions of dollars allotted by the federal government, specifically to serve the poor – the neediest families. But here in Mississippi poor people are a target, they are preyed upon. The federal government has good intentions, yet they don't require accountability, thereby making these annual funds rife for pilfering by greedy and immoral folks who have no regard for poor people.

Some information already exists that former Governor Phil Bryant knew about the scheme

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to steal millions. Surely more will be revealed over time. Some of the folks involved have already pleaded guilty to their crimes.

Following the Census every ten years, states can do redistricting based on any fluctuation in population. The Lt. Governor and Speaker of the House appoint the members to the Standing Joint Legislative Committee on Reapportionment & Redistricting and the Standing Joint Congressional Redistricting Committee; respectively. On the Senate side there 10 members: 8 white, 2 black. On the House side, 10 members: 7 white, 3 black. With having a supermajority in both the House and Senate, Republicans don't require a single vote from the Democrats.

Congressman Bennie Thompson, D-MS 2nd District, now has a district that is far more sprawling than the other three. It goes down the western side of the entire state from top to bottom, and has the highest percentage of African-American residents among the four congressional districts. It contains 40 of 82 counties, and 40% of the state's entire land mass, per Mississippi Today reporting in January 2022. Do you think that the racial makeup of the new districts has anything to do with the change? Again, it's obvious who these elected leaders embrace and who they do not.

Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch argued the Dobbs Abortion Case before the U.S. Supreme Court. It's no secret that black and brown women are impacted the most by overturning Roe v. Wade.

According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, which tracks

health statistics, "The numbers are unambiguous. In Mississippi, people of color comprise 44% of the population but 80% of the women receiving abortions,"

Could it be that Mississippi embraces black and brown babies? Could it be that curtailing a woman's ability to readily obtain abortion care will boost population? Could it be that future white voters will be born if abortion access is restricted? The answers to these questions become clear in the backdrop of other racially motivated decision-making in this series.

Fitch was in on "the big steal" mentality too. She requested to join Mississippi, along with ten other states, to the Texas v. Pennsylvania lawsuit seeking to overturn the 2020 General Election.

On July 6, 2022, Mississippi Today's government headline was "As she defeated Roe, AG Lynn Fitch closed gender wage gap – for white women. White women working in the attorney general's office have seen a median salary increase of \$9,500 in the last few years since Fitch took office, the only demographic to see such a bump... the median salary of black women working for Fitch, however, has dropped about \$1,200 since January of 2019, even as inflation soars."

"The attorney general is the chief legal officer and advisor for the State of Mississippi on both civil and criminal matters," per the state's website. The antithesis of leadership from one who should be a model.

Next week, the elected leader focus will shift to Hinds County and the City of Jackson. We'll be able to see who is serving whom, and who is embraced by their decision-making and who is not.

BCBS of Mississippi sues for defamation

The Associated Press

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi Thursday said it was suing three employees of the University of Mississippi Medical Center for allegedly spreading false information.

The lawsuit is the latest development in a dispute between the state's largest health insurance provider and the hospital that surfaced in March when the two sides failed to reach an agreement over how much the insurer would pay for patient care.

At the time the insurer said it had been working with the medical center to renew the contract with the network's hospitals since early 2021 but that UMMC was requiring significant payment increases. The medical center said it asked to be funded at the level of comparable academic medical centers in other regional cities.

UMMC is not named as a defendant in the lawsuit, filed in Rankin County, because it has immunity for defamation committed by its employees as a political subdivision of the state under Mississippi law, according to a press release from the insurer announcing the lawsuit. But, the employees – Dr. LouAnn Woodward, dean of the School of Medicine and vice chancellor for health affairs; Dr. Alan Jones, associate vice chancellor for clinical affairs; and Marc Rolph, executive director of communications and marketing – don't have those safeguards, the insurer said.

In the lawsuit, Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi alleges the employees' public statements have made it appear that the insurer dropped UMMC from its health care provider network when the insurer says it was UMMC that

ended its agreements with the insurer, WJTV reported.

The complaint contends the public statements have harmed the insurer's reputation and were made to "coerce Blue Cross & Blue Shield into entering into new contracts to benefit UMMC and the defendants' personal positions with UMMC." The provider said the defendants' actions also have caused "unnecessary anxiety, confusion and fear" to its members regarding their health care, according to the statement.

"When UMMC chose to no longer be a network provider, Blue Cross & Blue Shield made it clear it would continue to pay network level benefits for covered medical services," the company said.

Rolph declined comment when asked for a statement from UMMC about the lawsuit.

Six suffer severe burns in central MS explosion

The Associated Press

Several workers suffered severe burns following a Friday morning explosion in central Mississippi.

The explosion happened at a salt water disposal site in Madison County, WLBT-TV reported.

At least six people sustained burns on at least 50% of their bodies, with one being burned from head to toe, said Minor

Norman, the Madison County Fire Coordinator. Two people were airlifted to the University of Mississippi Medical Center for treatment.

Norman said the cause of the explosion was still under investigation Friday.

"We're not sure what caused it," Norman said. "There were four storage tank facilities to hold products from oil wells. They (the workers) were in

the process of changing out two tanks with new fiberglass tanks. They were getting ready to go into service when the older tank exploded."

The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality was called to the site to investigate.

The injured people are employees of W.S. Red Hancock, a Mississippi-based welding and fabrication company.

Woman sentenced to 10 years for failed murder-for-hire plot

The Associated Press

A Mississippi woman who pleaded guilty to trying to hire a hitman to kill her ex-husband was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

U.S. District Judge Carlton W. Reeves handed down the sentence Monday. The sentence against Jessica Leeann Sledge, 40, of Pelahatchie in the unsuccessful murder-for-hire scheme also included a fine of \$1,000 and three years of supervised release following her release from prison.

Sledge declined to make a verbal statement during her sentencing hearing. Her attorney, John Colette, said his client was a first-time offender with a "zero chance of recidivism." Through his office, Colette declined to provide The Associated Press with an additional statement.

U.S. Attorney David Fulcher

said the crime was premeditated and recommended the court give the maximum 10-year sentence that was offered as part of a plea deal.

"The premeditation of this ... Ms. Sledge knew (this murder) was going to take place," Fulcher said.

Sledge pleaded guilty to using interstate commerce facilities in the commission of a murder-for-hire, said U.S. Attorney Darren J. LaMarca and Jermicha Fomby, a special agent with the FBI's Jackson field office.

Between September 2021 and November 2021, Sledge used the internet, her cellphone and a messaging app to hire a person she thought was an assassin. But the person was an undercover FBI agent, according to a news release from U.S. Attorney's Office.

On Nov. 1, 2021, Sledge met

in Brandon with the person she thought was the assassin to provide payment and information about her intended victim. According to previous testimony, Sledge was attempting to kill her ex-husband, WLBT-TV reported. He escaped the incident unharmed, the U.S. Attorney's Office said. After her arrest, Sledge waived her rights and admitted to her role in the plot.

Judge Reeves said the planning of the crime justified his sentence.

"What we have here is a methodical plan to kill her husband," Reeves said. "All of that is very troubling to the court and the law itself."

Reeves said the court would recommend Sledge complete her sentence at the Federal Bureau of Prison's women's facility in Aliceville, Alabama.

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Scholars and experts make case to expand Supreme Court; abolish Electoral College

By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA Newswire Senior Correspondent

The recent U.S. Supreme Court decision to overturn Roe v. Wade has raised concerns for women regarding bodily autonomy and palpable fear that other long-held rights may also be in jeopardy.

And with the ongoing hearings surrounding the January 6 insurrection and the attempt by former President Donald Trump to change the outcome of the 2020 election, momentum has increased in favor of abolishing the long-standing Electoral College. A growing number of Americans reportedly believe that expanding the court and ridding elections of the Electoral College are keys to preserving democracy in America.

This month, a bipartisan group of federal lawmakers led by Sen. Susan Collins (R-Maine) introduced the Electoral Count Reform Act of 2022 (ECRA) to ensure that electoral votes tallied by Congress accurately reflect each state's public vote for president.

"Adding more justices to Supreme Court and abolishing the Electoral College both help to give the majority of Americans the ability to have a say in what's going on in their country," said H.R. Bellicosa, the author of *The Punishings*, a novel about a world without abortion rights.

"We are headed toward minority rule if we're not there already. Overturning Roe is a deeply unpopular opinion, but with a conservative majority on the court, the justices were



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able to further their theocratic agenda," Bellicosa stated.

"More justices would combat that. The Electoral College has given us two recent presidents who did not win the popular vote – [George W. Bush and Trump]. America is under threat of being ruled by a deeply unpopular minority, and steps must be taken to mitigate that," Bellicosa concluded.

A change.org petition has garnered more than 103,000 signatures from individuals desiring to abolish the Electoral College, a system established in the 1800s and resulted in the infamous "three-fifths compromise" in which three-fifths of an enslaved black person would count toward allocating electors and representatives.

The U.S. Constitution holds that whoever wins the electoral vote claims the presidency during presidential

elections even if the candidate fails to win the popular vote. Further, historians noted that officials created the Electoral College to give slave states more power and to keep an agent of England's King George from becoming president.

Neither situation rises as pertinent in the 21st Century, said historian and political scientist William S. Bike.

Bike said he believes it's time to get rid of the Electoral College, and Democrats, while in the majority, should act.

"Republicans use every weapon at their disposal against Democrats, but Democrats tend to behave like someone bringing a tennis racket to a knife fight," stated Bike, the author of *Winning Political Campaigns*, a how-to guide on political campaigning.

"So, Democrats expanding the Su-

preme Court would be a weapon seldom used before in American history, but without it, the extreme right will continue taking away Americans' rights," Bike asserted.

"They're coming after Miranda, birth control, gay marriage, homosexuality, and possibly, interracial marriage and racial equality.

"The negative to expanding the Supreme Court is that once the Democrats do it, the next Republican president will do it, then the next Democratic president. Eventually, the Supreme Court would become as big as a legislature. But it's a chance Democrats must take if they want to protect basic rights."

Georgetown University graduate Tim Rosenberger Jr., who's completing a JD/MBA at Stanford University, said expanding the high court can improve America. However, eliminating the Electoral College could hamper the country's ability to preserve minority rights and ensure ongoing dynamism.

"Americans benefit from having smaller states that can be laboratories for innovation," Rosenberger stated.

"Justice Antonin Scalia once noted the oddity of how non-representative the Supreme Court is," Rosenberger noted.

"Every New York borough but Staten Island had a seat on the court for a time. At the same time, not one protestant, the prevailing American religion, sat on the court. Both the Supreme Court and the D.C. Circuit should start having geographically assigned seats

with seats traditionally, if not explicitly, aligning with one person from each of the larger geographic circuits."

Rosenberger continued:

"Eliminating the electoral college would overly concentrate political power in large urban centers and move America away from a diverse and complicated social and political tapestry."

Content Writer Elena Zimmerman added that the benefits of expanding the Supreme Court in its current state are impossible to miss.

"Whatever the intentions were with the decision to appoint 9 judges, it would be difficult for anyone to argue the idea in mind was for one political party to appoint 66 percent of the justices of the most powerful judicial body in the country while systematically excluding the choices of elected presidents in the opposing party while in office," Zimmerman stated.

"It would also be difficult for anyone to argue that it should be acceptable for new potential justices to lie during their confirmation hearings about their intentions to rule if appointed.

"Expanding the court during a democratic president's tenure and with an evenly divided Senate could potentially balance this inequality of partisan power."

Zimmerman further concluded that there's "no longer a benefit to the Electoral College. Particularly when it can be used exclusively to the benefit of only one party to override the popular vote," she insisted.

Smith posts an apology video for slapping Rock

By Mark Kennedy
AP Entertainment Writer

Will Smith has again apologized to Chris Rock for slapping him during the Oscar telecast in a new video, saying that his behavior was "unacceptable" and that he had reached out to the comedian to discuss the incident but was told Rock wasn't ready.

"There is no part of me that thinks that was the right way to behave in that moment," Smith said in the under-six minute video posted online recently. "I am deeply remorseful and I'm trying to be remorseful without being ashamed of myself." To Rock, he said: "I'm here whenever you're ready to talk."

Smith, seated in a polo shirt and white ball cap, spoke directly to a camera, answering pre-selected questions about his behavior at the March 27 Academy Awards, when he slapped presenter Rock after the comedian made a reference about the hairstyle of Jada Pinkett Smith, Smith's wife.

Smith also apologized to Rock's family and especially his mother, Rosalie, who was horrified to see her son hurt and told *US Weekly* that, "When he slapped Chris, he slapped all of us. He really slapped me." Smith also apologized to Tony Rock, Chris' younger brother.

"I didn't realize how many people got hurt in that moment," Smith said.

Neither the apology or timing impressed crisis and PR expert Eric Schiffer, who called it "bizarre, strange and grossly over-rehearsed."

"It came across like he was doing a confessional in some



Smith

closed room in a foreign country in order to escape the regime," said Schiffer, chairman and CEO of Patriarch Equity and chairman of Reputation Management Consultants. "It's just not the way to get out of the septic muck he put himself into because, once again, it started being about him and it's still about him."

In the video, Smith also apologized to his family "for the heat that I brought on all of us" and his fellow Oscar nominees to have "stolen and tarnished your moment." He mentioned Questlove by name; it was the musician-director's documentary win for "Summer of Soul (Or, When the Revolution Could Not Be Televised)" that was interrupted by the slap. Rock was on stage to present the documentary award.

Smith also said his wife did nothing to encourage his slap. "Jada had nothing to do with it," he said. "I made a choice on my own." Pinkett Smith has said that she has alopecia areata, a hair-loss disorder.

Following the altercation, the motion picture academy banned Smith from attending the Oscars or any other academy event for 10 years.

Smith apologized to Rock in a statement after the Oscars, saying he was "out of line and I was wrong."

"I'm sorry really isn't sufficient," Smith said in the video, adding that he is hurting because he hasn't lived up to fans' impressions.

Many had speculated that Smith would appear on camera to discuss the slap first on Pinkett Smith's online series "Red Table Talk," but he chose to do it in a social media video post without any follow-up questions or surprise queries.

"It just had the reek of a fabricated attempt to be real. And that's not what he wanted to accomplish, nor was it persuasive," said Schiffer. "I do wish him well and hopefully he will find the right path. That path is really about humbleness and not about ego and self."

Basketball legend Bill Russell dies at 88

By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA Newswire Correspondent

Boston Celtics legend Bill Russell, one of professional basketball's greatest players and the sport's most crowned champion, has died at the age of 88.

Russell, who won 11 NBA titles as a player and two as a player-coach, died "peacefully" with his wife, Jeannine, at his side, a statement on social media said.

Jeannine said funeral arrangements are pending.

"But for all the winning, Bill's understanding of the struggle is what illuminated his life. From boycotting a 1961 exhibition game to unmask too-long-tolerated discrimination, to leading Mississippi's first integrated basketball camp in the combustible wake of Medgar Evers' assassination, to decades of activism ultimately recognized by his receipt of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, Bill called out injustice with an unforgiving candor that he intended would disrupt the status quo, and with a powerful example that, though never his humble intention, will forever inspire teamwork, selflessness and thoughtful change," the statement read.

It continued: "Bill's wife, Jeannine, and his many friends and family thank you for keeping Bill in your prayers. Perhaps you'll relive one or two of the golden moments he gave us or recall his trademark laugh as he delighted in explaining the real story behind how those moments unfolded.

"And we hope each of us can find a new way to act or speak up with Bill's uncompromising, dignified, and always constructive com-



mitment to principle. That would be one last and lasting win for our beloved #6."

President Barack Obama presented the Medal of Freedom in 2011, and Russell won five NBA Most Valuable Player awards.

He made the All-Star team in 12 of the 13 years he played in the league. The prolific big man finished his career in 1969 with 21,620 career rebounds, an average of 22.5 per game, and led the league in rebounding four times.

He grabbed 51 rebounds in one game, 49 in two others, and a dozen consecutive seasons of 1,000 or more rebounds. Many viewed Russell as the greatest player in history until Michael Jordan arrived in the 1980s and 1990s and LeBron James in the 2000s.

Born in Monroe, Louisiana, in 1934, Russell's family moved to the San Francisco area, where he attended McClymonds High School in Oakland. He earned a schol-

arship to play at the University of San Francisco and helped lead the basketball school to an astounding 56 straight wins and back-to-back NCAA titles.

As noted by ESPN, Russell was most visible as a color commentator on televised basketball games for CBS with Rick Barry. Russell later explained in a newspaper article that he never found a comfort zone behind the microphone.

"The most successful television is done in eight-second thoughts, and the things I know about basketball, motivation, and people go deeper than that," Russell told the *Sacramento Bee*.

In 1974, Russell earned election to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. In 1980, he was voted Greatest Player in the History of the NBA by the Professional Basketball Writers Association of America. He was part of the 75th Anniversary Team announced by the NBA in October 2021.

Can you really get back to normal after cancer?

By Vince Faust
Tips to Be Fit

Have you ever heard of cancer rehab? Until recently there was no such rehab for cancer survivors. There was no rehab to help patients cope with the grueling and sometimes lasting physical and psychological effects of chemotherapy, radiation, surgery or other treatments. Most patients are just happy to be alive. Most have dealt with cancer on their own. Patients that have suffered a heart attack or a stroke almost always receive after care.

There is work underway to develop more aftercare for cancer patients. There are over 20 million cancer survivors in the U.S. Millions after treatment continue to suffer physical effects of their treatment, such as fatigue and chronic pain. Millions also live with mental health problems, such as depression and mild cognitive impairment known as “chemo brain.”

Cancer rehab is available in some hospitals now. There is mounting evidence that shows how this type of care can help accelerate a patient’s recovery, improve a patient’s quality of life and even reduce risk for cancer recurrence.

The American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer now requires cancer centers in the U.S. to offer rehab services to obtain accreditation.

Cancer rehab was first conceived as a resource for patients immediately after their acute phase of treatment. This rehab can help long after treatment has taken place. All of the side effects of patient’s cancer and their cancer treatment may not affect the patient for sometime.

Physical and psychological



effects can come up anytime. They can also have different affects than the initial problems immediately after treatment. Studies show that problems from cancer treatment can come up years afterward.

Cancer rehab could also help during the window after a patient is diagnosed with cancer and before treatment begins to help boost physical

and emotional readiness for cancer treatment. Even exercise can be part of Cancer rehab to increase strength before surgery. Interval training is a great way to increase strength in a short period of time.

A nutrition program can be used to improve a patient’s nutritional levels before treatment. Treatment can sap a patient’s appetite or lead to

anemia. Working with a psychologist can help identify and deal with anxiety and stress before treatment starts. We could call this therapy “cancer prehab.”

Most insurance companies cover the cost of rehab and prehab. This should include consultations with physiatrists (a doctor that specialize in rehabilitation medicine),

physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech pathologists and others.

One problem with cancer rehab and prehab is they tend to be short term. Most have you come in two to three times a week for a period of only a few weeks. Most insurance companies limit your number of visits. Check with your insurance company to find out what your company covers and what copays are required. Find out if your limit can be extended. This may require your doctor writing a letter to justify your extended needed therapies.

Every cancer patient’s needs are different and their rehab and prehab should work for them personally.

I have talked to a number of cancer patients both male and female. They have mentioned few of the issues that affected them in their journey to fight cancer.

- “Chemo Brain” – Some of my friends said they didn’t think as well, had more anxiety and didn’t feel they were all there.
- Poor Sleep – Most had problems falling asleep and staying asleep.
- Anemia – Their nutrition took a hit during treatment.
- Fatigue – Most were tired all day.

These 4 issues and others can be addressed in a number of ways. A good team of therapist can handle each of these issues.

Nutrition is very important if you want to prevent anemia. For some people, a total change in diet may be necessary to get in most of the nutrients they need to be healthy. With others, it’s a matter of adding a few foods to the diet.

Depending on how motivated and disciplined a person

is these changes may have to take place over a long period of time rather than all at once to insure they become lasting habits. This habit of eating nutritious food should be your goal.

- Everyday you need:
- 2 servings of protein
 - 4 to 6 servings of vegetables
 - 3 to 6 servings of fruit
 - 2 to 4 servings of grain
 - 2 servings of dairy products

Exercise can improve a few of the issues listed. Get creative with your exercise. Exercise should be a part of everyone’s lifestyle male or female. Fitting an exercise routine into your lifestyle is not the easiest task in the world even harder if you have cancer. There are plenty of excuses to keep you from working out. Interval training is the greatest form of training for cancer patients.

Fatigue is normal. Everybody gets tired. Fatigue can be the result of physical or emotional problems. Physical fatigue usually happens at the end of the day and usually goes away with a good night’s sleep. Emotional fatigue often peaks in the morning and goes away during your daily activity. Most treatments for fatigue focuses on the relief of your symptoms. Each person has different symptoms and will require different types of treatment to manage the disorder and relieve their symptoms.

Whatever issues you have with your cancer treatment make them known to your doctor. Write them down. Get them corrected. There is help you just have to make it known.

Before starting your fitness program, consult your physician.

Bacteria that causes rare tropical disease found in U.S. soil

By Mike Stobbe
AP Medical Writer

A germ that causes a rare and sometimes deadly disease long thought to be confined to tropical climates has been found in soil and water in the continental United States, U.S. health officials said recently.

The bacteria was found on the property of a Mississippi man who had come down with the disease melioidosis. Officials don’t know how long it had been there, but they say it

likely is occurring in other areas along the Gulf Coast.

U.S. physicians should consider melioidosis even in patients who haven’t traveled to other countries, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said in a health alert.

“Once it’s in the soil, it can be a health threat for people in the area,” said the CDC’s Julia Petras, who oversaw the investigation.

The illness can start with a wide range of symptoms like

fever, joint pain and headaches. It’s treatable with the right antibiotics if it’s caught early, but it can lead to pneumonia, blood infections and even death if not properly treated.

About 12 cases are reported annually in the U.S. The vast majority have been in people who traveled to places where the bacteria is endemic, including certain regions of Australia, Thailand and Central and South America.

People can get the illness through direct contact with contaminated soil and water, especially if they have a cut on their hand or foot. It is also possible to inhale the bacteria.

The bacteria may not bother healthy people. But it can be dangerous to those with diabetes, chronic kidney or lung disease and weakened immune systems.

Last year, four people came down with the disease even though none had traveled in-

ternationally. Officials blamed their illnesses on a contaminated aromatherapy spray imported from India.

The new findings explain two Mississippi cases in men who hadn’t traveled internationally, officials said. One got melioidosis in 2020 and the other, who lives about 10 miles away, got it this year. Both have recovered.

Health officials didn’t say exactly where in Mississippi the men live, but investiga-

tors took 109 soil and water samples from the area. The bacteria was found in three spots – two in soil and one in a puddle – on the property of the man who was sickened two years ago.

Finding the bacteria in U.S. soil is significant, but not surprising. Investigators have long believed that local soil contamination was behind infections in Texas’s Atascosa County in 2004 and 2018, CDC officials said.

Through the valley

By Deborah M. Jackson, MDiv
Founder, Heart to Soul Ministries, Inc.



The Lord never leaves persons on their grief journey whether it's 2 months or 10 years. It's hard for me to believe that in a few days it will be 10 months since my mom's death. For person's grieving the loss of someone dear, time moves forward but our hearts are standing still. It's a feeling of being stuck in time while the movie is still playing around us. A common experience is to move throughout the journey saying, "I cannot believe my mom is really gone, or my husband really is not coming back."

It takes time for the heart and mind to catch up with one another — showing yourself gentleness, kindness, patience and emotional care is how to show up for yourself.

Navigating the grief journey is an ongoing process; it's not only adjusting to your person's physical absence but adjusting to a brand-new reality and hope for the future. There is no

time I am not painfully aware of my mother's absence in this world. Although my father's been gone for twenty-nine years, I still feel the void of his presence too.

No matter how we perceive grief's grip, we fall in two categories: those who have not yet met her, and those who have. Our interaction with grief and loss is unavoidable, and God can offer no buffer for how the vacancy will feel.

Having seen loss from two different perspectives, I have concluded while circumstances may vary, grief remains hard and heavy. I spoke to a person recently, who lost their dad suddenly to COVID-19; it has altered their world forever. I spoke to another person who lost their mom after a twenty-year slow downward spiral with Alzheimer's; it has altered their world forever. Bottom line, the loss of a loved one will change you.

Honor the fact that you may never see life the same. God will meet you in your new place. No matter how many times I prayed in anguish over the idea of my mother's death,

no matter how often I tried to logically prepare for what was ahead, until she died it was just that — an idea and a perception. God always knew there was no way to prepare me for what it would feel like when my mom closed her eyes that final time. Even as people of faith, we may grieve with the hope of knowing this is not the end; yet we still grieve the void of our person/s. (I Thessalonians 4:13-14)

God sees the beginning, middle and end of every situation, and He promises to remain with us through each intersection. The loss of a loved one changes your axis. The world looks different, feels different and redefines how you anchor yourself.

I find myself grateful for the small things and the time God chose to give us. That may be your situation too. Maybe amidst your losses no matter when it was, you can still tap into gifts in your grief. It may take some time, but as you become able, the Lord will comfort you in those sacred spaces.

Over time the vacancy left

from that person's presence does not get better but rather the pitch becomes softer. Suddenly, a moment will arise where your person's absence pierces your heart as if it were yesterday. Grief pangs are tangible physiological/emotional pains reminding us of the void. While the Lord cannot fix the void, He will fill you with His comfort through it.

Even though you may feel forgotten and left alone in your grief, you are not. It may feel that relationships and safe places are shifting; this is part of that adjustment process to your new reality. Finding your new community and safe place may feel uncomfortable, yet normal still the same.

People share with me how often they have found such belonging with different grief communities. There are committed and equipped ministries, community grief groups, and well-respected grief counseling services that spend considerable time developing solid grief support.

Through all our sufferings God is not distant — He's still piloting us through them.

P R E S E R V E D

Do your part: Water

By Shewanda Riley
Columnist



"Stressed." That's what my lawn fertilizer company technician said when he looked at the yellow-brownish grass in my front yard a few weeks ago. Concerned and worried that my once green yard was ruined for the rest of the year, I asked him what, if anything, could be done to get it back to green. His suggestions were to increase how many times a week I watered it and to water it in the evenings. He added that my lawn was just like so many they'd seen over the last few weeks. That last part made me feel a little better that I wasn't alone in my battle to save my lawn.

In addition, his words made me think about what I saw a few weeks ago when I was flying home from a trip. I looked out of the airplane window, as I like to do, as we got closer to the Dallas Fort Worth Airport. Instead of seeing the normal bright green fields, what I saw most was brown fields and lawns. This summer has been brutal with excessive heat since May. It's 85 degrees at 7 a.m., 100 degrees by noon and feeling like 110 degrees by 5 p.m. It's not good for pets, humans and for our grass.

Another friend suggested that I water my grass more than twice a week and for longer periods of time. He said that if I do that, I should see a return to my green grass in a couple of weeks. So, between his advice and the fertilizing tech, one thing stood out to me: It's not just about how often I water but for how long. He explained that the water has to go deeper to nourish trees and grass when it's hotter outside. Because of the heat, it quickly evaporates

I've been doing what they suggested and seen some encouraging results. I see a few specks of green in the midst of the yellow-brown patches. And in some spots, the green patches are maintaining their color and expanding. Yay for my grass but it probably won't be good for my water bill!

Now that it looks like my plan to re-green my grass is working somewhat, I'm thinking about those many scriptures that talk about the importance of watering. One of my favorites is I Corinthians 1:6-7 "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So, neither he who plants, nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth."

Now I see that scripture completely differently. Talking to people isn't enough. We have to be willing to be empathetic and connect with others beyond the surface level. Just like watering on a surface level isn't enough, we have to be patient and wait for growth.

It's hard being patient but there is a blessing that comes from seeing something grow. It is especially rewarding when we see something that looks like it is dying come back to life stronger and more vibrant than it was before. As I continue to water it intentionally and deeply, I'm looking forward to seeing my lawn transform back to green. Likewise, when we choose to pour into others, we have the awesome opportunity to see true transformation when we get out of the way and allow God to do His perfecting work.

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Until further notice, all hand delivery proposals delivered between 9:00 a.m. until 9:59 a.m. (local prevailing time) the date the bid is scheduled to open, must be delivered to JPSD Board Room, 621 South State Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

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NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY
CITY OF JACKSON

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Jackson, Mississippi before 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9th, 2022, for the purchase of certain City-owned property: parcel 121-6, located at 275 Holland Ave in Jackson, Mississippi. Bidding for the property will start at \$500.00. The City will retain all mineral rights it owns, together with the right of ingress and egress to remove same from said property. For additional information or for a "bid form", contact Vic Sexton at (601) 960 1055 or e-mail vsexton@city.jackson.ms.us.

BID INSTRUCTIONS: All bids must be placed in a sealed envelope and delivered to the City Clerk of the City of Jackson (located in City Hall at 219 S. President St. Jackson, Mississippi 39201). The outside of the envelope must be plainly marked to identify the parcel number being bid on along with the bidder's name. Enclose one (1) original and one (1) copy of the bid. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, August 9th, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 219 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

Preferential preference will be granted to all equivalent high bidders that submitted an application to the Surplus Property Committee. If multiple equivalent high bidders submitted applications, a re-bid process utilizing the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) between those bidders will be granted to determine a winner. If multiple equivalent high bidders persist after BAFO, the re-bid process will be repeated, if necessary, until a sole high bidder is certified.

If multiple equivalent high bidders did not submit applications to the Surplus Property Committee, a re-bid process utilizing the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) between those bidders will be granted to determine a winner. If multiple equivalent high bidders persist after BAFO, the re-bid process will be repeated, if necessary, until a sole high bidder is certified.

If multiple equivalent high bidders consist of, one equivalent high bidder that submitted an application to the Surplus Property Committee and the other equivalent high bidder(s) that did not submit an application to the Surplus Property Committee, preferential preference will be granted to the bidder that submitted an application to the Surplus Property Committee.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
PHASE I, FARISH STREET DEVELOPMENT
OF LIMITED COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES
LOCATED WITHIN THE 200 BLOCK.

The Jackson Redevelopment Authority (JRA) is seeking proposals from interested parties for the development of Limited Commercial Property(ies) owned by JRA, located within the 200 Block of the Historic Farish Street District, Downtown Jackson, MS. The Request for Proposals (RFP) will be available to the public beginning August 1, 2022, at www.jrams.org. Copies of the full RFP will be available for online review and download. All proposal responses must be received by JRA no later than Friday, September 30, 2022, at 4:00pm CDT. JRA reserves the right to cancel all solicitations and to accept or reject, in whole or in part, all proposals for any reason or to redevelop the project by other means at JRA's sole discretion.

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE:
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022, AT 4PM

A virtual pre-proposal informational meeting will be held via zoom:
Monday, August 29, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND
The registration link will be available online 7 days prior to the meeting at www.jrams.org.

For additional information about this solicitation, contact JRA via email at info@jrams.org or develop@jrams.org or by phone at 601.960.1815. Emails are preferred and strongly encouraged.

7/28/2022, 8/4/2022, 8/11/2022, 8/18/2022, 8/25/2022

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ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE TEXT OF THE OFFICIAL LANDSCAPE AND ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI AND RESPECTIVELY ADOPTED ON AUGUST 14, 1990 AND MAY 29, 1974 WITH SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR AND ESTABLISH MORE EFFECTIVE LANDSCAPING AND ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MS:

That Section 13.02. 2 of the Landscape Ordinance of the City of Jackson for screening requirements is hereby amended to read as follows:

All refuse areas with receptacles (dumpsters) shall be completely screened from adjacent properties by an enclosure that is at least 6 inches above the maximum height of the dumpster. and is completely enclosed on four (4) sides with one of the sides being a gate. Those receptacle enclosures located in front of buildings shall be required to be landscaped. A Building Permit must be obtained prior to the construction and/or installation of the enclosure and subject to the regulations in this Section.

That Section 13.02.4 of the Landscape Ordinance of the City of Jackson for construction requirements is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. Enclosures shall be constructed of an opaque fire-resistant type material including masonry, concrete, corrugated steel of not less than 18 gauge, trex, black vinyl coated chain link with slats maximum spacing of 1/2 inch, or any combination of these elements. Any combination of screening by landscaping, berms, or existing structures is also acceptable where it provides opaque screening from street. The enclosure shall be constructed in such a manner that all structural members, including braces, posts, poles and other projections, shall be on the interior side. The enclosures shall be of a material and color the same or similar to the existing principal structure.

2. The enclosure shall fully enclose the receptacle (dumpster) and shall be at least 6 inches above the maximum height of the dumpster.

3. All enclosures shall have pedestrian and service access gates and their construction shall be of sturdy metal frame and hinges with an opaque facing material. The gates shall be constructed with commercial grade hinges, poles and hasps.

(a) Enclosures shall have double gates or ADA compliant gates with an approved latch.
(b) Enclosures with gates that swing out from the dumpster shall be set back from the property line at least a distance equal to the width of the gate.
(c) Gates cannot open into a drive lane or across the sidewalk.

4. All new developments shall have bollards placed around the area of the dumpster to protect the enclosure from being hit during the emptying process, preserve the life and aesthetics of the enclosure and to prevent gates from swinging open into traffic.

That Section 18 of the Landscape Ordinance of the City of Jackson for enforcement requirements is hereby amended to read as follows:

Violation by any person of the provisions of this article or failure to comply with any of its requirements, after written notification by the Zoning Administrator, or designee, of the City of the type, nature, and extent of the violation of this Ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof, constitute a misdemeanor. Any person who violates the provisions of this Ordinance or fails to comply with any of its requirements within after having been duly notified in writing, by certified mail, by the Zoning Administrator, or designee, of the City, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). Each day such violation continues shall be considered a new and separate offense. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the City from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

That Article II, Section 202 of the Zoning Ordinance of Jackson, Mississippi for interpretations and definitions, is hereby amended to read as follows:

202.47 Dwelling, Manufactured Home: A dwelling unit, designed and built in a factory, which bears a seal certifying that it was built in compliance with the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act. The structure will be designed for occupancy as a principal single family unit.

202.47 (a) Dwelling, Mobile Home: A movable residential dwelling designed for year-round occupancy with no foundation other than wheels, jacks, or skirting and capable of being moved, towed, or transported by another vehicle. These units were built prior to June 15,1976 and are not constructed in accordance with the National Manufacturing Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974.

202.47(b) Dwelling, Modular Home: A residential dwelling manufactured in whole or in part in an off-site manufacturing facility designed to be transported to a building site by a carrier which is not designed to be permanently attached to the dwelling or remain with it after the structure is placed on its permanent foundation. Modular homes are not constructed with an integral chassis, permanent hitch, wheels, axles, or other device allowing transportation. Modular homes must meet the International Building Code and be inspected and approved by the Building Official.

ThatArticle VI, Section 602.03.3 for uses permitted as Use Permits in the R-1 (Single-family Residential District is hereby amended to read as follows:

The following uses are permitted provided they are established in accordance with the procedures and provisions of this Ordinance:

Note: Items 1-10 will remain the same.
11. Manufactured Home when:
a. The unit is not located in a platted subdivision or in the R-1A & R-3 Residential Districts;
b. The unit is new or less than ten (10) years old;

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING AND A USE PERMIT
ZONING CASE NO. 4182

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Shawn Maxer has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1A (Single-Family) Residential District to C-1A (Restricted) Commercial District to allow for the construction of a barbershop for the property located on Parcel 220-91 on Ellis Ave and a Use Permit to allow for accessory parking on Parcel 220-92 on Ellis Ave. in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Parcel 220-91
LOT 4 BLK B CHESWOOD PARK SUB PT 2

Parcel 220-92
LOT 5 BLK B CHESWOOD PARK SUB PT 2

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

DUE TO COVID-19 AND THE CONCERN FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE, THE PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS AND THE APPLICANTS HAVE THE OPTION TO ATTEND THE MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO OR IN PERSON WITH REGARDS TO THE WEARING OF MASKS AND THE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO BY EMAILING EAINSWORTH@CITY.JACKSON.MS.US TO REGISTER PRIOR TO AUGUST 17, 2022.

WITNESS my signature this 27th day of July 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

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c. The units are similar to surrounding neighborhood features;
d. Landscaping is similar to surrounding neighborhood features;
e. The permanent hitch, wheels, axles, or other devices allowing transportation are removed;
f. The unit is erected on a conventional foundation and is permanently affixed to the property;
g. Permanent water and sewer facilities are available to the site; and
h. The unit has a HUD Certification Label (tag);

Prior to the placement of the unit on the site and the issuance of a building permit, Site Plan Review clearance and documented approval of the unit from the State of Mississippi Fire Marshall's Office must be obtained.

That Article VI, Section 602.03.1 for uses permitted as Use Permits in the R-1A (Single-family) Residential District is hereby amended to read as follows:
The following uses are permitted provided they are established in accordance with the procedures and provisions of this Ordinance:
Any and all Use Permits allowed in the R-1 (Single-family) Residential District except for manufactured homes which are listed separately in the relevant residential zoning districts

That Article VI, Section 602.04.2(a) for uses permitted as Use Permits in the R-1E (Single-family) Residential District is hereby amended to read as follows:

The following uses are permitted provided they are established in accordance with the procedures and provisions of this Ordinance:

Any and all Use Permits allowed in the R-1 (Single-family Estate) Residential District except for manufactured homes which are listed separately in the relevant residential zoning districts

That Article VI, Section 602.05.3 for uses permitted as Use Permits in the R-2 (Single-family & Two-family) Residential District is hereby amended to read as follows:

The following uses are permitted provided they are established in accordance with the procedures and provisions of this Ordinance:

1. Any and all Use Permits allowed in R-1A

2. Manufactured Home when:
a. The unit is new or less than ten (10) years old;
b. The units are similar to surrounding neighborhood features;
c. Landscaping is similar to surrounding neighborhood features;
d. The permanent hitch, wheels, axles, or other devices allowing transportation are removed;
e. The unit is erected on a conventional foundation and is permanently affixed to the property;
f. Permanent water and sewer facilities are available to the site; and
g. The unit has a HUD Certification Label (tag);

Prior to the placement of the unit on the site and the issuance of a building permit, Site Plan Review clearance and documented approval of the unit from the State of Mississippi Fire Marshall's Office must be obtained.

That Article VI, Section 602.13.3.3 for uses permitted as Use Permits in the SR (Suburban Rural) Residential District is hereby amended to read as follows:

The following uses are permitted provided they are established in accordance with the procedures and provisions of this Ordinance:

Note: Items 1-4 will remain the same.

5. Manufactured Home when:
a. The unit is new or less than ten (10) years old;
b. The units are similar to surrounding neighborhood features;
c. Landscaping is similar to surrounding neighborhood features;
d. The permanent hitch, wheels, axles, or other devices allowing transportation are removed;
e. The unit is erected on a conventional foundation and is permanently affixed to the property;
f. Permanent water and sewer facilities are available to the site; and
g. The unit has a HUD Certification Label (tag);

Prior to the placement of the unit on the site and the issuance of a building permit, Site Plan Review clearance and documented approval from the State of Mississippi Fire Marshall's office.

That this Ordinance shall be in force and effect thirty (30) days after passage and after publication of the same by the petitioner.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Hartley seconded.

Yeas- Banks, Foote, Hartley and Lee.
Nays- None.
Absent- Grizzell, Lindsay and Stokes.

ATTEST:

Angela Harris
Municipal Clerk

I, Angela Harris, the duly appointed qualified Municipal Clerk and lawful custodian of records and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Regular Zoning Council Meeting June 20, 2022 and recorded in Minute Book "6V, Pgs. 217-220".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 29th day of July, 2022.

SEAL Angela Harris, Municipal Clerk

8/4/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT
ZONING CASE NO. 4184

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Reuben Jones has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit in a R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to allow for the placement of a manufactured house on the property located at 195 Elton Rd. (Parcel 872-159), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Lot 9 & 10, Marshall Subdivision, a subdivision according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi in plat book 4 at page 114, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description,

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 27th day of July 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

8/4/2022, 8/18/2022

8/4/2022, 8/18/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4180

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Sara & Jaquan Jackson have filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit in a C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for the operation of a tattooing and piercing parlor in Suite F of the property located at 350 North Mart Plaza (Parcel 430-16-4), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Tract I.
A parcel of land being situated in Lots 2 and 3 of Block “L” of the North View Addition, Part 2, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is made in aid hereof, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the intersection of the East right-of-way line of North State Street and the North right-of-way line of North Mart Plaza, (street dedicated by Deed Book 1082, Page 245, dated May 15, 1958), marked by a found ½” iron pin, and being 225 feet Northeasterly of and 30.9 feet Westerly of the Southwest corner of said Lot 3, Block “L” of North View Addition as indicated in previously recorded deeds;

Thence run Easterly along said North right-of-way line of North Mart Plaza for a distance of 471.65 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin, and being The Point of Beginning of said Tract I;

Thence continue Easterly along said North right-of-way for a distance of 50.0 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin;

Thence turn to the left through an angle of 82 degrees 13 minutes and run Northeasterly for a distance of 184.1 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin;

Thence turn to the left through an angle of 96 degrees 44 minutes and run Westerly for a distance of 50.0 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin;

Thence turn to the left through an angle of 83 degrees 18 minutes and run Southwesterly for a distance of 185.0 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 9,157 square feet, more or less.

Being the same property as described in Deed Book 1086, at Page 324.

Tract II.
A parcel of land being situated in Lots 2 and 3 of Block “L” of the North View Addition, Part 2, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is made in aid hereof, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the intersection of the East right-of-way line of North State Street and the North right-of-way line of North Mart Plaza, (street dedicated by Deed Book 1082, Page 245, dated May 15, 1958), marked by a found 1/2” iron pin, and being 225 feet Northeasterly of and 30.9 feet Westerly of the Southwest corner of said Lot 3, Block “L” of North View Addition as indicated in previously recorded deeds;

Thence run Easterly along said North right-of-way line of North Mart Plaza for a distance of 521.65 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin, and being the Point of Beginning of said Tract II;

Thence continue Easterly along said North right-of-way for a distance of 70.0 feet to a found 1/2” iron pin;

Thence turn to the left through an angle of 82 degrees 10 minutes and run Northeasterly for a distance of 182.9 feet to a found 1/2” iron pin;

Thence turn to the left through an angle of 96 degrees 47 minutes and run Westerly for a distance of 70.0 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin;

Thence turn to the left through an angle of 83 degrees 16 minutes and run Southwesterly for a distance of 184.1 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 12,743 square feet, more or less.

Being the same property as described in Deed Book 1086, at Page 320.

Tract III.
A parcel of land being situated in Lots 2 and 3 of Block “L” of the North View Addition, Part 2, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to which is made in aid hereof, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northwest corner of “Parcel Number 6” as shown on Plat dated March 22, 1957, (revised April 8, 1960) prepared by W.A. Akin, Civil Engineer, recorded in Deed Book 1266 at Page 415 of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk, also being the Northwest corner of Tract I, Deed Book 1086 at Page 324, marked by a set 5/8” iron pin, and being the Point of Beginning.

Thence run Northeasterly along an extension of the West line of said Parcel Number 6/Tract I, for a distance of 10.0 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin;

Thence Easterly and parallel to the North line of said Parcel Number 6/Tract I for a distance of 60.0 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin;

Thence Southwesterly and parallel the West line of said Parcel Number 6/Tract II for a distance of 10.0 feet to a set 5/8” iron pin on the North line of Parcel Number 7 as shown on aforesaid Plat/Tract II, Deed Book 1086, at Page 320;

Thence Westerly along the North line of said Parcels Number 6 and 7/Tracts I and II for a distance of 60.0 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 596 square feet, more or less.

Being the same property as described in Deed 1266 at Page 415.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 27th day of July 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

8/4/2022, 8/18/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4181

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that River Ridge, LLC has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to C-3 (General) Commercial to be consistent with the zoning of the adjacent properties to increase the development opportunities for the property located at 2095 Dunbarton Dr. (Parcels: 590-57, 590-57-2, 590-57-4, 590-57-5 & 590-57-3), in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Parcels 590-57-2 & 590-57-4

Being situated in Lot 5, Section 30, T6N-R2E, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi and being more particularly described as follows;

Commence at the intersection of the West boundary of said Lot 5 of Section 30, T6N-R2E, with the Southern R.O.W. line of Mississippi Highway 25, and run thence Easterly, along the Southern R.O.W. line of Mississippi Highway 25, 1,261.02 feet; turn thence to the right through a deflection angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Southerly, 450.00 feet to the Southern R.O.W. line of a 50 foot wide street; turn thence to the left through a deflection angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Easterly, along the Southern R.O.W. line of said street, 70.00 feet to an iron bar marking the POINT OF BEGINNING for the property herein described: continue Easterly, along the Southern R.O.W. line of said street, 281.50 feet to an iron bar; turn thence through an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Southerly, 270.00 feet to an iron bar; turn thence through an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Westerly, 359.50 feet to an iron bar; turn thence through an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Northerly, 145.00 feet to an iron bar; turn thence through an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Easterly, 78.00 feet to an iron bar; turn thence through an interior angle of 270 degrees 00 minutes and run Northerly, 125.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING containing 87,315 square feet or 2.004 acres, more or less.

Parcel 590-57-5

Commencing at the point of intersection of the West line of Lot 5, Section 30, T6N, R2E Hinds County, Mississippi, and Southerly R.O.W. of Mississippi Highway 25, said point being 175 feet from the center of said R.O.W.: run thence Easterly along said R.O.W. 1261.02 feet to a point; thence turn right through a deflection angle of 90 degrees and run Southerly 720 feet to the Point of Beginning of the property herein described; thence turn left 90 degrees and run Easterly 356.5 feet; thence turn right 90 degrees and run Southerly 30 feet; thence turn right 90 degrees and run Westerly 356.5 feet; thence turn right and run Northerly 30 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Parcel 590-57

Being situated in Lot 5, Section 30, T6N-R2E, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the intersection of the West Boundary of said Lot 5 of Section 30, T6N-R2E, with the Southern R.O.W. line of Mississippi Highway 25, and run thence Easterly along the Southern R.O.W. line of Mississippi Highway 25, 1261.02 feet; turn thence to the right through a deflection angle of 90000’ and run Southerly, 450.00 feet to the Southern R.O.W. line of a 50’ wide street; turn thence to the left through a deflection angle of 90000’ and run Easterly, along the Southern R.O.W line of said street, 510.42 feet; run thence Southeasterly, along the arc of a curve in the said Southern R.O.W. line, 39.65 feet to an iron bar to the Point of Beginning for the herein described easement; said curve having a radius of 50.00 feet and a delta angle of 450 39’ 37”; thence backsighting along the chord of said curve, turn thence through an interior angle of 149042’ and run Southerly, 116.50 feet; turn thence right through a deflection angle of 210 04’ 30” and run Southwesterly, 91.45 feet; turn thence right through a deflection angle of 25 0 41’ and run Southwesterly, 35.48 feet; turn thence to the right through a deflection angle of 32 0 14’ 30” and run Southwesterly, 54.27 feet, turn thence to the right through a deflection angle of 110 00’ and run Westerly, 426.00 feet to the proposed East R.O.W. line of River Ridge Drive; run thence through an interior angle of 900 00’ and run Southerly, 20.0 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 900 00’ and run Easterly, 427.91 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 169 0 00’ and run Northeasterly, 61.98 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 147 0 45’ 30” and run Northeasterly, 45.83 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 1540 19’ and run Northeasterly, 99.72 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 1580 55’ 30” and run Northerly, 111.23 feet to the Southern R.O.W. line of aforesaid 50’ wide street; run thence Northwesterly, along the arc of a curve in the Southern R.O.W. line of said street, 22.11 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Parcel 590-57-3

A tract of land lying and being in the first Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being situated in Lot 5, Section 30, Township 6 North, Range 2 East, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the intersection of the West boundary of said Lot 5 of Section 30, Township 6 North, Range 2 East, with the Southern R.O.W. line of Mississippi Highway 25, and run thence Easterly, along the Southern R.O.W. line of Mississippi Highway 25, 1261.02 feet; turn thence to the right through a deflection angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Southerly, 450.00 feet to the Southern R.O.W. line of a 50 foot wide street; turn thence to the left through a deflection angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Easterly, along the Southern R.O.W. line of said street , 351.50 feet to the Northeast corner of and the Point of Beginning for the property herein described; continue thence Easterly, along the South R.O.W. line of said street 158.92 feet; run thence Southeasterly, along the arc of a curve in the said Southern R.O.W. line, 39.85 feet to an iron bar, said curve having a radius of 50 feet and a delta angle of 45 degrees 39 minutes 37 seconds; thence backsighting along the chord of said curve, turn thence through an interior angle of 149 degrees 42 minutes and run Southerly, 116.50 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 158 degrees 55 minutes 30 seconds and run Southwesterly, 91.45 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 154 degrees 19 minutes and run Southwesterly, 35.48 feet to an iron bar; turn thence through an interior angle of 147 degrees 45 minutes 30 seconds and run Westerly, 54.27 feet to an iron bar; turn thence through an interior angle of 169 degrees 00 minutes and run Westerly, 66.50 feet; turn thence through an interior angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes and run Northerly, 270 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.018 acres, more or less.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 27th day of July 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

8/4/2022, 8/18/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE

ZONING CASE NO. 4167

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that East Ridge, LLC has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Variance from the required lot width of 60’ for R-1A zoned properties to allow for six (6) 52” wide lots for the property located at 0 Douglass Dr. (Parcel 540-344-1) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

79,525.5 Square Feet or 1.8256 Acres consisting of part of the property in Lot 36 of the E.D. Fonden Estate, a subdivision in Section 24, T6N/R2E, the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County, Mississippi the Record Plat of which is filed in Plat Book 7 at Page 30 of the Hinds County Land Records for the said First Judicial District, said property being more fully described as follows:

Begin at the NW corner of Lot 1 of Hazlevem Heights, a subdivision in Section 24, T6N/R1E, the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County Mississippi the Record Plat of which is filed in Plat Book 10 at Page 20 of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District, said point being on the South line of the right-of-way for Douglas Drive and proceed thence:

S11° 14’ 44”E along the West line of Lots 1 and 4 of Hazlevem Heights for 572.30 feet to a point on the North line of the property conveyed to Dorothy D. Johnson by the Warranty Deed filed in Deed Book 2554 at page 320 and Deed Book 2552 at page 693 of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District; thence, S 80° 16’ 17”W along the North line of the above cited Dorothy D. Johnson property for 200.0 feet to a point on the East line of Lot 26 of Eastwood Place, Part 2, a subdivision in Section 24, T6N/R1E, the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County Mississippi the Record Plat of which is filed in Plat Book 21 at Page 6 of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District; thence,

N 11° 19’ 00”W along the East line of Lots 26, 25, and 24 of Eastwood Place, Part 2 for 315.81 feet; thence,

N 78° 41’ E for 140.33 feet; thence,

N 11°14’ 44”W for 274.64 feet to a point on the South line of the right-of-way for Douglas Drive; thence,

S 79° 40’ E along the South line of the right-of-way for Douglas Drive for 65.51 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

DUE TO COVID-19 AND THE CONCERN FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE, THE PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS AND THE APPLICANTS HAVE THE OPTION TO ATTEND THE MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO OR IN PERSON WITH REGARDS TO THE WEARING OF MASKS AND THE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO BY EMAILING EAINSWORTH@CITY.JACKSON.MS.US TO REGISTER PRIOR TO August 17, 2022.

WITNESS my signature this 27th day of July 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

8/4/2022, 8/18/2022

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ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI DESIGNATING THE 19TH DAY OF JUNE OF EACH YEAR AS A HOLIDAY WITHIN THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, Public Law 117-17 known as the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act was approved by the 117th Congress on or about June 17, 2021 and established a legal public holiday; and

WHEREAS, the Juneteenth holiday is the first holiday to be approved since Martin Luther King Jr.'s holiday in the year 1983; and

WHEREAS, the Juneteenth holiday commemorates June 19, 1965 when slaves in certain states received news that Abraham Lincoln had issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi legislature has not passed a similar law recognizing Juneteenth as a state holiday; and

WHEREAS, the legal holidays declared by the State of Mississippi are codified at Section 3—3—7(1) of the Mississippi Code and are as follows: (1) first day of January (New Year's Day); (2) the third Monday of January (Robert E. Lee's birthday and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday); (3) the third Monday of February (Washington's birthday); (4) the last Monday of April (Confederate Memorial Day); (5) the last Monday of May (National Memorial Day and Jefferson Davis' birthday); (6) the fourth day of July (Independence Day); (7) the first Monday of September (Labor Day); (8) the eleventh day of November (Armistice or Veterans' Day); (9) the day fixed by proclamation by the Governor as a day of Thanksgiving which shall be fixed to correspond to the date proclaimed by the President of the United States (Thanksgiving Day) and (10) the twenty-fifth day of December (Christmas Day); and

WHEREAS, Section 3-3-7(1) of the Mississippi Code also states that if a holiday falls on a Sunday, then the next following day shall be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-3-7(2) of the Mississippi Code states that in lieu of any one (1) legal holiday provided for in subsection (1) with the exception of the third Monday in January and the eleventh day of November (Armistice or Veteran's Day), the governing authorities of any municipality may declare by order spread upon its minutes any one (1) other day of the year to be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson have not declared Confederate Memorial Day to be a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson does recognize and observe the fourth day of July known as Independence Day; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson believe that it is befitting, reasonable, and logical to also recognize and observe the second holiday commemorating independence known as Juneteenth National Independence Day or Juneteenth; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities for the City of Jackson have determined that the Juneteenth National Independence Day holiday should be observed in lieu of Confederate Memorial Day pursuant to Section 3-3-7(2) of the Mississippi Code.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI that the June 19th of each year shall be observed as legal holiday in the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON MISSISSIPPI if June 19th falls on a Saturday, then the holiday shall be observed on the previous Friday. If June 19th falls on a Sunday, then the holiday shall be observed on the following Monday.

The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of Section 21-13-11 of the Mississippi Code.

Vice President Lee moved adoption; Council Member Banks seconded.
Yeas – Banks, Foote, Grizzell, Hartley, Lee, Lindsay and Stokes.
Nays – None.
Absent – None.

ATTEST:
Angela Harris
Municipal Clerk

I, Angela Harris, the duly appointed qualified Municipal Clerk and lawful custodian of records and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Regular Council Meeting June 7, 2022 and recorded in Minute Book “6v, Pgs. 172-175”.

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 2nd day of August, 2022.

SEAL Angela Harris, Municipal Clerk

8/4/2022

AUGUST 06, 2022 • AUCTION OF CITY OF JACKSON • IMPOUNDED VEHICLES

	INVENTORY NO	CASE NO	YEAR/MAKE/MODEL/COLOR	VEH IDENTIFICATION NO	LOT LOCATION		INVENTORY NO	CASE NO	YEAR/MAKE/MODEL/COLOR	VEH IDENTIFICATION NO	LOT LOCATION
1	15302	10-026862	2010 CHEVROLET CAMARO (SILVER)	2G1FB1EVA9121399	L2	188	40656	20-143586	1992 CHEVROLET S TRUCK (GRAY)	1GCCS19R3N8215251	
2	16231	10-152209	1994 TOYOTA CAMRY (RED)	JT2K312E2R0223907	3E	189	40657	20-143642	2002 DODGE INTREPID (GOLD)	2B3HD46R2H188315	L3
3	21603	10-042600	2003 CHEVROLET CAVALIER (TAN)	1G1JC52F937217027	L2	190	40660	20-143911	2003 CHEVROLET IMPALA (TAN)	2G1WF52E439113662	3H
4	21610	14-04820	2009 MITSUBISHI GALANT (SILVER)	4A3AB36F89E033014	3A	191	40667	20-142691	2005 TOYOTA CAMRY (GRAY)	4T1BF30K45U616757	
5	22881	14-237796	2001 CHEVY PRIZM (SILVER)	1Y1YSK28012410048	L2	192	40683	20-148318	2014 FORD FUSION (GRAY)	1FA6P0H79E5406348	3F
6	22883	14-235083	1999 TOYOTA CAMRY (BLACK)	JT2B022K9W0118497	193	40693	20-150864	2006 PONTIAC GRAND PRIZ (GRAY)	2G2WP552661164741		
7	23130	15-030058	YAHAMA MANNING STAR ATV (BLK)	UNKNOWN	194	40700	20-151414	1997 CHEVROLET CAPRICE (TAN)	1G1BHS52WXR0200247	L3	
8	23221	14-100730	1976 CHEVROLET PICKUP (GRAY)	CCL146S189238	195	40701	20-151445	2002 CHEVROLET TAHOE (GRAY)	1HGDAC13232R242444	L3	
9	23297	15-054651	2006 ARTIC CAT 4WHEELER (GREEN)	UNKNOWN	196	40708	20-108451	2019 AUDI A8 (WHITE)	WAU8DFAF78KN010618	3S	
10	23326	15-061010	2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA (TAN)	2G1WH552K759163894	197	40737	20-156656	2005 HONDA ACCORD (GRAY)	1HGCM56825A100230		
11	23428	15-075477	2001 FORD F150 (BLACK)	1FTRX17L61N837926	198	40738	20-156696	2014 JEEP CHEROKEE (BLACK)	1CARJEBG2EC252169	L3	
12	23455	15-079225	1998 FORD CROWN VICTORIA (WHITE)	2FAFP73W5WX158761	199	40775	20-138348	2001 KIA SORENTO (WHITE)	KNAFB121X15092879		
13	23601	15-100344	2008 KAWASAKI ZX6 (BLUE)	JKAZX6P4168A041063	200	40798	20-126114	1997 MERCEDES 5320 (GREEN)	WDBGA33G5A353291		
14	23740	15-117489	HAMMERHEAD GO CART (RED)	8020250	201	40800	20-163631	2004 FORD F-150 (WHITE)	1FTPX12544NA69002	3S	
15	24149	15-178804	1992 SATURN SL2 (RED)	1G8ZK5474N2191666	202	40802	20-163869	2007 HONDA ACCORD (RED)	1HGCM55307A107346	3C	
16	24393	15-216086	1999 TOYOTA COROLLA (SILVER)	1NXBR12E5XZ201761	203	40803	21-164081	2005 NISSAN ALTIMA (GRAY)	1N4AL11D85C324554	3C	
17	24419	15-217308	1998 CHEVROLET TAHOE (GREEN)	1GNEK13R3WR108799	204	40805	20-164627	2001 DODGE RAM (BLUE)	1B7HC16X315248785	3M	
18	24431	15-220174	SUZUKI ATV (GREEN)	38F1003G1	205	40806	20-164469	2004 HONDA ACCORD (BLACK)	3HGCN56374G7003792	3C	
19	24602	16-008611	1995 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN (GREEN)	1GNEC16K45J316792	206	40816	20-165479	2000 TOYOTA LAND CRUISER (BROWN)	JT3HT05J8Y0117711	3E	
20	24615	16-009801	1997 LINCOLN TOWNCAR (GREEN)	1JNLN82W8VY707269	207	40818	20-165548	2008 FORD EXPEDITION (SILVER)	1FMPU16575L809049	L3	
21	24640	16-006577	1995 GMC SIERRA (GREEN)	1GTEC14H852553089	208	40824	20-166328	2006 KIA RIO (RED)	KNAD2123966175043		
22	24647	16-014941	1984 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS (BLUE)	1G3AR69Y6EM3015198	209	40838	20-168187	1995 CHEVROLET 1500 (BLUE)	2GCEC19K551156193	3W	
23	24679	26-015071	2007 DODGE CHARGER (BLACK)	2B3KA43G37H785160	210	40844	20-168561	2001 PONTIAC GRAND PRIZ (RED)	1G2WP52K9F157305		
24	24779	16-030275	1999 ACURA 35R (BLACK)	JH4KA9657XC004745	211	40852	20-169544	2000 DODGE INTREPID (GREEN)	2B3HD46R5YH441569	3G	
25	24831	16-037517	2000 FORD TAURUS (GREEN)	1FAFP5558YA226361	212	40857	20-170471	2013 FORD FOCUS (RED)	1FADP3F2XDL236625		
26	24862	16-041752	2003 PONTIAC VIBE (WHITE)	5Y2SL68232474764	213	40864	20-171407	2008 FORD FUSION (TAN)	3FAHP07J28R1659599	3S	
27	24896	16-046727	2010 KIA RIO (WHITE)	KNADP4A31A6646363	214	40865	20-171485	1996 TOYOTA CAMRY (GRAY)	4T1BG12KXU687280	L3	
28	24979	16-056110	2015 NISSAN ALTIMA (BLACK)	1N4AL3AP7FN376611	L2	215	40866	20-171672	2004 GMC YUKON (TAN)	1GKFK66U6J116650	L3
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30	25058	14-093499	2007 HONDA CBR (RED/BLACK)	JH25C57037M304145	217	40876	20-172419	2003 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER (BLUE)	1GND5135632168952	3B	
31	25103	16-071880	GO CART (GREEN)	UNKNOWN	218	40880	20-172809	2007 PONTIAC G6 (BLUE)	1G2Z58N674160293	3S	
32	25387	16-113150	2014 CHEVROLET CRUZE (RED)	1G1PC55B5E7120403	219	40882	20-173490	2008 DODGE AVENGER (SILVER)	1B3LC46K88N106181		
33	25427	16-118924	2005 MERCURY MARQUIS (WHITE)	2MEFM7J4W95X671440	3N	220	40890	20-174473	1995 LEXUS LS400 (GRAY)	JT8UF22E350005993	L3
34	25435	16-120042	2001 KAWASAKI ZX-11000 (RED)	JKAZXB01018513198	221	40891	20-174870	2002 CADILLAC CTS (GREEN)	1G6DM57N303105124	3S	
35	25480	16-125889	1995 HONDA ACCORD (WHITE)	1HGCD7257SA014396	222	40895	20-175201	2007 NISSAN TITAN (GRAY)	1N6BA07A37N213748		
36	25538	16-133720	2008 HONDA ACCORD (GRAY)	1HGPCP368XB067137	223	40900	20-175558	2003 DODGE RAM (WHITE)	1D7HA1B8N13560977	L3	
37	25553	16-135488	2005 PONTIAC GRAND AM (GRAY)	1G2NE52E65M179520	224	40915	20-176282	2014 MERCEDES C250 (BLACK)	WDDGF4H82EA933433		
38	25592	16-140917	2004 CHEVY 1500 (GRAY)	2GCEC19V041175067	225	40916	20-176459	2018 MERCEDES GLC 300 (WHITE)	WDC0G4J81JV080152	3A	
39	25691	16-156165	2004 LINCOLN NAVIGATOR (BEIGE)	5LMFU27R34LJ38806	226	40921	20-177157	2009 CHEVROLET IMPALA (BLACK)	2G1WTS7K991205638	L3	
40	25775	16-165998	YAHAMA 4WHEELER (GRAY)	144AM86Y1GA105971	227	40948	20-181965	2007 NISSAN ALTIMA (GRAY)	1N4AL21EX7C203414		
41	25857	16-182382	1992 YAHAMA FRZ600 (PURPLE)	JYA3H1E058NA039838	1E	228	40954	20-182620	2004 CHEVY TRAILBLAZER (MAROON)	1GNDS135X42378599	L3
42	25878	16-187725	1998 GMC SIERRA (GREEN)	1GTFC24K0J2509284	229	40959	20-183332	2003 TOYOTA ARUNNER (BLACK)	JTETZ117R230004575	3F	
43	25891	16-010290	1986 CHEVROLET CAPRICE (MAROON)	1G1B69H4GY110463	230	40960	20-183480	2004 NISSAN MAXIMA (BLUE)	1N4BA41E14C847398	3F	
44	25958	16-199538	2002 SATURN L10	1G8J554F72Y504333	231	40985	20-186283	2008 FORD TAURUS (GREEN)	1FAFP53U25A131505	1E	
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46	26189	17-008912	2007 NISSAN ALTIMA (GRAY)	1N4AL21E07C202496	233	40991	20-187108	2002 HONDA ACCORD	1HGCG16552A011463		
47	26427	17-045170	1994 MITSUBISHI MIRAGE	JA3EA26A8RU054777	234	40999	20-187472	2003 TOYOTA CAMRY (WHITE)	4T1BF32K6J9104267	L2	
48	26712	17-092631	2001 FORD TAURUS (WHITE)	1FAFP53U31G200791	235	41000	20-187540	2004 NAJO TRAILBOSS TRAILER (WHITE)	1N9BV15164P159183	3F	
49	26736	17-095242	1999 NISSAN ALTIMA	1N4DL01D7XC101027	236	41008	20-188224	2001 FORD E250 (WHITE)	1FTNE24221HB869079		
50	26755	17-099441	2003 CHEVROLET TAHOE (GREEN)	1GNEK13Z73J288282	3D	237	41022	21-000978	2009 HONDA CIVIC (GREEN)	JHMEJ6670Y5005594	3E
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52	26902	17-124021	2007 FORD ESCAPE	1FMYU02217KA15216	239	41056	21-005801	1998 MERCURY MARQUIS (MAROON)	2MEFM75W1N1613757	1B	
53	27006	17-142487	2005 CHEVROLET TAHOE (WHITE)	1GNEC13TX5J194781	240	41063	21-006291	2002 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN (WHITE)	1GNEC16243J137991	L3	
54	27022	17-105094	2005 CHEVROLET MONTE CARLO	2G1WW1E2659287275	241	41064	21-006414	2003 JEEP CHEROKEE (BLUE)	1J4CX48N83C537827	1S	
55	27138	17-160565	2013 CHRYSLER 200	1J3CCB8C6DN737001	242	41070	21-006319	2004 FORD EDGE (GRAY)	2FMDK49C978A62162		
56	27194	17-166640	2015 HYUNDAI SANTE FE (WHITE)	5XVY213LB0FGD727094	243	41072	21-007366	2004 CHEVROLET CAVALIER (BROWN)	1G1J652F547124989	3W	
57	27195	17-172735	2000 FORD CROWN VICTORIA	2FAFP71W4YX112661	244	41073	21-007531	2001 NISSAN TITAN (WHITE)	1N6AA07A84N534790	1E	
58	27207	17-170209	1986 CHEVROLET C30 (BLUE)	1GBHC34M7F5188607	245	41074	21-007536	2004 TOYOTA SIENNA (TAN)	5TDZA22C645D31456	3E	
59	27211	17-173675	2015 TOYOTA COROLLA	5YFBURHE9FP265080	246	41080	21-007844	2002 BUICK CENTURY (TAN)	2G4W552J921217198		
60	27321	17-191499	1996 FORD EXPLORER	1FMCU22X6TUC95377	247	41083	21-008006	2002 HONDA CR-V (WHITE)	JHLRD78802C043255	L3	
61	27333	17-193480	2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA	2G1WTS3K369406449	248	41100	21-009540	2004 PONTIAC SUNFIRE (SILVER)	1G2JB12F147255019	L3	
62	27361	17-198540	1999 FORD EXPLORER	1FMZU32PXXUC03712	249	41103	21-009837	2008 MERCURY MILAN (BLACK)	3MEHH08Z48R610956		
63	27387	17-201774	2007 TOYOTA CAMRY	4T1BE46K87U186475	250	41110	21-009759	2012 CADILLAC SRX (WHITE)	3GVFNDE39CS625364	1E	
64	27510	18-010290	2006 CHEVY TRAILBLAZER (WHITE)	1GNDT135562144627	251	41113	21-009302	2005 TOYOTA CAMRY (SILVER)	4T1BE46K2J0516255	3K	
65	27541	17-131567	2014 FORD TRANSIT VAN (WHITE)	NM0LE6E78E1142005	252	41117	21-005728	1999 DODGE DURANGO (SILVER)	1B4HR23YX0F702359		
66	27616	18-024159	2007 FORD CROWN VICTORIA (BLUE)	2FAFP71W87X114718	253	41118	21-011314	2009 FORD EXPLORER (WHITE)	1FMEU63E9U6A42999		
67	27622	18-025205	2003 FORD MUSTANG (GRAY)	1FAFP40473F346666	254	41123	21-011582	2008 TOYOTA YARIS (RED)	JTDBT923884014325		
68	27639	18-028495	2006 CHEVROLET IMPALA (WHITE)	2G1WBS5K369113931	255	41124	21-011741	2003 NISSAN ALTIMA (SILVER)	1N4AL11D03K181919		
69	27711	18-038433	2005 FORD FOCUS (BLUE)	1FAFP34N75W148217	256	41133	21-012136	2020 MITSUBISHI MIRAGE (BLACK)	ML32ASHJ1LH004759	3A	
70	27769	18-045729	2003 BMW 325i (GRAY)	WBAEY33483KL85174	257	41136	21-009896	2019 DODGE CHALLENGER (WHITE)	2C3C02ZFJ6KH607075	1W	
71	27979	18-078441	2001 FORD E250 VAN (WHITE)	1WBAE24201HA29547	258	41144	21-013623	2002 JEEP LIBERTY (SILVER)	1J4K48X0C2W126575		
72	27998	18-082481	2005 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN (GRAY)	1GNEC16Z85J170611	259	41146	21-011952	2012 MITSUBISHI OUTLANDER (SILVER)	JA4AS3AW8CU028042	1W	
73	28049	18-094209	200 ATV 4WHEELER (GREEN)	JGLXC169VLA	260	41149	21-014818	2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA (WHITE)	2FAFP71W33K121974		
74	28088	18-?????	2017 INFINITI QX70 (BLACK)	JNBXS15MUJHM141101	261	41154	21-015072	2004 DODGE NEON (WHITE)	1B3ES26C64D588113		
75	28105	18-099410	1993 FORD F150 (RED)	1FTFX15H9PKCA87570	262	41157	21-015777	1992 BUICK ROADMASTER (SILVER)	1G4BT5376NR453897	L3	
76	28135	18-104173	1998 CHEVROLET 1500 (BLACK)	2GCEC19R0W1227366	263	41159	21-009262	2011 TOYOTA COROLLA (SILVER)	2T1BU4FE9AC467420		
77	28206	18-114270	1999 FORD F150 (BLK/WHIT)	1FTZT7126XNA85135	264	41173	21-014456	2008 MERCURY MARQUIS (BLUE)	2MEFM74W35X659526		
78	28235	18-119460	2012 CHEVROLET IMPALA (WHITE)	2G1WV9534C1285186	265	41177	21-017583	2004 LEXUS GS (TAN)	JT8BD945340192183		
79	28269	18-124868	2009 CHRYSLER SEBRING (GRAY)	3C3EL45H3XT202738	266	41184	21-011019	2002 BMW 530i (BLACK)	WBAD764312CH87231	L3	
80	28286	18-126606	1994 GMC SUBURBAN (WHITE)	1GKEC16K5RJ735080	267	41189	21-019727	1999 CHEVROLET PRIZM (BLACK)	JHMCN36456C003489	L3	
81	28316	18-133482	2007 TOYOTA CAMRY (GOLD)	4T1BE46K57UJ060414	268	41213	21-022514	2002 MAZDA 626 (SILVER)	1Y1YG5284XZ412118	L3	
82	28317	18-133619	2000 NISSAN ALTIMA (GRAY)	1N4DL01A0YC137617	269	41214	21-022532	2002 CHEVROLET CRUZE (SILVER)	1Y1VGF22C725285876		
83	28333	18-137221	2012 KIA FORTE (SILVER)								

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING AND A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4183

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Luxe Homes, LLC has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1A (Single-Family) Residential to R-2 (Single-Family & Two-Family) Residential District to allow for the construction of a 2-unit town house development for the property located on Parcel 507-2 (formerly 5016 Old Canton Rd) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Lot 1, Briarwood Addition, Part 1, a subdivision according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 17 at page 26, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

DUE TO COVID-19 AND THE CONCERN FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE, THE PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS AND THE APPLICANTS HAVE THE OPTION TO ATTEND THE MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO OR IN PERSON WITH REGARDS TO THE WEARING OF MASKS AND THE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO BY EMAILING EAINSWORTH@CITY.JACKSON.MS.US TO REGISTER PRIOR TO AUGUST 17, 2022.

WITNESS my signature this 27th day of July 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

8/4/2022, 8/18/2022

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Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of Jackson, Mississippi, at 219 S. President Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201 or at Post Office Box 17, Jackson, Mississippi 39205 until 3:30 PM, local time (CT), Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud for:

The demolition and cleaning of the following parcel:

1. 437-3 located at 807 E. Northside Dr.

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by:
LaTonya Miller, Manager
Community Improvement Division of Planning and Development

8/4/2022, 8/18/2022

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To all interested parties, known or unknown,

Pursuant to the MS State Code of 1972, Section 21-39-21, the City of Jackson, Mississippi, will sell at Public Auction, the impounded, abandoned, lost, stolen, or misplaced motor vehicles and equipment listed on the attached schedule. Unclaimed motor vehicles and equipment may be sold after the expiration of ninety (90) days from their receipt or recovery by the City of Jackson. The auction will be held at the City's Garage/Impound Lot facility

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A list and description of abandoned/unclaimed vehicles will be posted pursuant to statutory requirements in the following locations:

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Alcorn State named to Best Colleges in America 2022 by Money

Alcorn State University Newswire

Alcorn State University joins five Mississippi universities in a list of 623 ranked public and private institutions and is ranked among the top HBCUs in the nation in Money's "The Best Colleges in America, Ranked by Value."

In its listing released May 16, Money ranked more than 600 colleges and universities after looking at more than 2,400 institutions with above-average graduation rates.

Scoring included 24 measures within three broad categories: quality, affordability and outcomes. The quality measures focused on graduation rates; affordability looked at the net price of a degree, student and parent borrowing and loan repayment rates; and outcomes evaluated the median earnings, the share of alumni working and the share of alumni earning more than a high school graduate.

According to the release, the analysis also includes four "value-added" calculations, which compared a school's performance against its predicted performance after accounting for the standardized test scores and percentage of low-income students among its enrollees.



"This year's Best Colleges list is a new take on our long-standing commitment to helping families make a smart college choice," says Money Executive Editor Mike Ayers. "We changed things up so more students could use this list to make educated choices

about investing in their future."

Felecia M. Nave, president of Alcorn State University, believes the survey indicates Alcorn is a great choice.

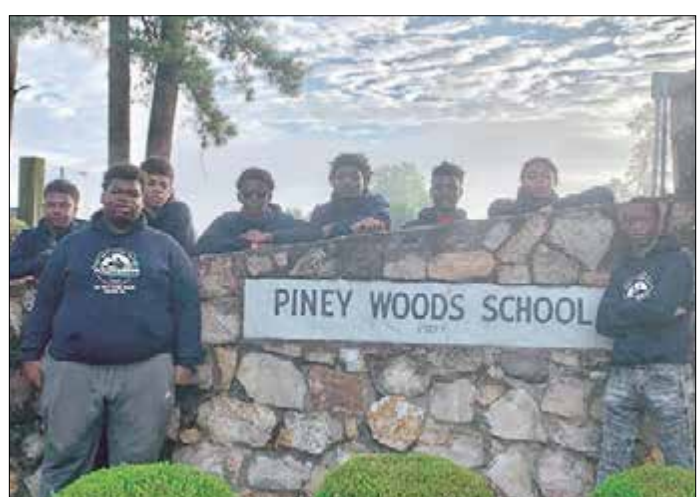
"Attending college is one of the biggest financial decisions that students and their families will make," Nave said. "Alcorn has long been known for its supportive learning environment and providing an affordable and exceptional educational experience that prepares graduates for a lifetime of success."

In a previous study, Money and Essence magazines ranked Alcorn at No. 9 in their "The Best HBCUs: Essence and Money Rank Top Colleges for Black Students" and No. 32 in "The 50 Best Colleges for African-Americans" which includes nationally-recognized schools such as Harvard, Duke and Georgia Tech. In addition to data compiled by Money for its annual Best College rankings, the study found these schools provide black students with the best combination of representation, affordability and postgrad earnings.

Alcorn State also made the top ten in a new study "HBCUs with the Highest Payoff for Black Students." The data-driven college rankings site OnlineU released their ranked list of the median salaries of HBCUs' alumni and compares them to other black graduates in the state.

According to the study, graduates of Alcorn State earned the highest economic return of HBCU alumni in Mississippi.

Eight JPS JROTC cadets attend the Fund II Foundation Restoration Retreat



Cadets attend Restoration Retreat at Piney Woods

Mississippi Link Newswire

JPS scholar JROTC Cadets Talan Pointer of Murrah, Jaleel Henderson of Callaway, Robert Harris of Jim Hill, Cedric Taylor of Provine, Jayden Henderson of Callaway, Kamron Peele of Forest Hill, Kenneth King of Provine, and Xaverion Wright of Callaway attended The Fund II Foundation's Restoration Retreat at Piney Woods School from June 26 to July 2, 2022.

During the retreat, the scholars were introduced to yoga and meditation and taught how to use breathing and relaxation techniques to help combat stress and anxiety, practice anger management and establish

conflict resolution.

The retreat also consisted of daily workshops in financial management, film and photography, culinary arts, STEM and African dance. They were also exposed to nature and wildlife recreational exercises such as fishing, horseback riding and bird watching.

Upon completion of the retreat, each scholar was offered a verbal invite to attend the same retreat next summer in Colorado.

Each was awarded an annual \$5,000 college scholarship.

Jayden and Jaleel Henderson received verbal offers for college internships next summer.

Graduation speaker: Hinds CC 'helped me to grow'

Mississippi Link Newswire

Brandon Taylor of Ridgeland believes Hinds Community College was the best first stop for him in his higher education career.

Taylor, who attended the Raymond Campus, was the student speaker for one of two graduation ceremonies held July 28. He plans to transfer to either Jackson State University or the University of Southern Mississippi to pursue a bachelor's degree in criminal justice.

"Hinds has helped me grow as a person and as a student. Transitioning from high school to college, I was not as prepared as I thought I would be. I ended up having bad grades, but all of that changed my 2nd semester. I learned to start setting goals for myself, learned how to maintain a job while being in school full time and improve to a 4.0 GPA," Taylor said.

"These past couple years at Hinds were not always easy. Trying to figure out how to maintain our work while going through a pandemic or trying to stay awake on zoom calls from home was challenging. But what we learned as graduates is resilience and how to overcome challenges," he said.

Hinds Community College awarded 653 degrees and certificates to 555 students. Of those graduating, 120 graduated cum laude with a grade point average of 3.2 to 3.59; 62 graduated magna cum laude with a grade point average of 3.6 to 3.99 and 84 graduated summa cum laude with a grade point average of 4.0.

Shalisa Cain of Jackson gave the invocation and benediction at the 3:30 p.m. ceremony. Last year she received an associate degree in culinary arts and returned for a year to the Jackson Campus to add the hotel and hospitality management degree. She was a member of Phi Theta Kappa honor society. She recently bought a food truck.

Hinds President Stephen Vacik challenged



Brandon Taylor of Ridgeland was a student speaker for the July 28 Hinds Community College graduation ceremony. BRAD SMITH/HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Cain of Jackson, left, gave the invocation and benediction at one of two graduation ceremonies on July 28 at Hinds Community College. Brandon Taylor of Ridgeland gave the student speech. They are with Hinds President Dr. Stephen Vacik, center. BRAD SMITH/HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

the new graduates to "pursue a path of service to others. Make a difference in the world. We need more change agents and fewer channel changers."

"Give each task in life your best effort and

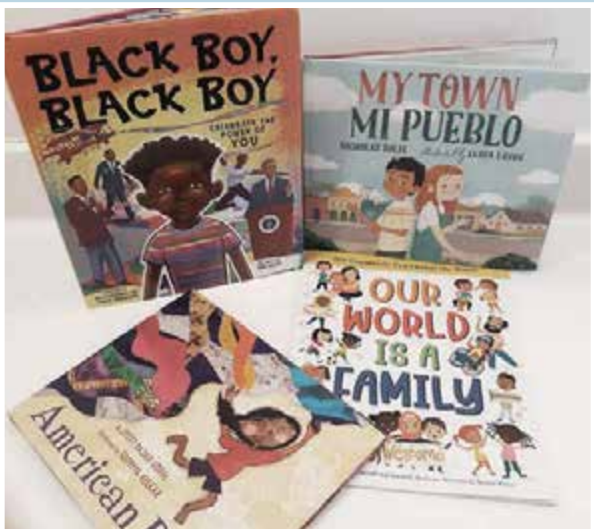
then give just a little more. Work hard, accomplish much and view each obstacle along the way as a stepping stone rather than a stumbling block," he said.



Cadets enjoying nature and technology



Cadets learning techniques to combat stress.



BOOK REVIEW: KIDS BOOKS ON TOLERANCE AND INCLUSION

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\$17.99 - \$18.99 VARIOUS PAGE COUNTS

By Terri Schlichenmeyer
Columnist

School will start soon, and you’re going to meet a lot of new kids. You’ll meet kids from other towns and maybe from other countries; some will have lighter hair and some will have darker skin. Maybe they will look like you, and maybe they won’t, so why not find out what’s different and interesting about those new kids by reading one (or all) of these great books....

Do you know where your new classmates will live? In “My

Town Mi Pueblo” by Nicholas Solis, illustrated by Luisi Uribe (Nancy Paulsen Books, \$17.99), two cousins live very near one another, and very apart. She lives in the U.S., he lives in Mexico, and they’re separated by a big river.

In this book, they tell you about their towns – her, in English; him, in Spanish – they explain why they like visiting one another in the town across the river, and what they do for fun.

This is a great book for kids who are bilingual, and for those

who may have playmates that are. Look for it August 16.

For the child who straddles two cultures or for the kid whose playmates do, “American Desi” by Jyoti Rajan Gopal, illustrated by Supriya Kelkar (Little, Brown Young Readers \$18.99), is the book to share. Here, a young girl has “one foot” in America and the other in India. So is she Indian or American... or both? Can she enjoy her Bindis and bangles and still like hip-hop music? How she reconciles her two lives and even brings

them together is a story of pure joy, illustrated in colorful pages that your child will want to look at again and again.

For future black men and their current playmates, “Black Boy, Black Boy” by Ali Kamanda and Jorge Redmond, pictures by Ken Daley (Sourcebooks, \$17.99), is a book that inspires and informs. Here, a father proudly walks his black son on a path through history to show the boy that inventors, activists, writers, musicians, politicians and others have gone before him and paved

the way. This pride-instilling book comes out August 9.

And finally, for every kid everywhere, no matter who he or she is, “Our World is a Family” by Miry Whitehill and Jennifer Jackson, pictures by Nomar Perez (Sourcebooks, \$17.99), is fun and helpful. The words inside this book show kids and their families from all over the world, including children that are disabled, kids who speak different languages, kids who eat unusual foods and kids who need friends. It explains immigration in words

that small children can understand, and it tells kids how to be welcoming to those who are different.

These books are great for kids ages 4-to-7, but if you’re looking for inclusive books for older children or for toddlers, reach out to your favorite librarian or bookseller. They’ll help you find exactly what you need for your child, no matter what their reading (or listening) level. Your librarian or bookseller will introduce you to all kinds of new books to meet.

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Archie's first annual family and friends picnic, fish fry and BBQ



Supervisor David Archie, District 2

By James Hampton, III
Contributing Writer

It was summertime fun this past Sunday evening at the Hinds County District 2 Barn at 10000 Frontage Road in Bolton, MS where David Archie, Hinds County Supervisor District 2, kicked off his first annual family and friends picnic, fish fry and BBQ.

The event was all that and more with a live deejay, space jumps, free food and refreshments. Local citizens ate and fellowshiped with local politicians, judges and political candidates.

Archie acknowledges that the event follows in the footsteps of the tradition set by Congressman Bennie Thomp-

son who he recalls hosted many fish fry events while serving as a Hinds County supervisor in the eighties and early nineties.

Archie wanted to give people a chance with this public event to "gather and just talk and kind of let their hair down..."

The sno-cones were cold and the sun was hot; but the people stayed cool with big industrial fans moving the air under the cover of the District 2 barn.

Election Commissioner Yvonne Robinson Horton was present as well as recently retired librarian, Alfenette Robinson. Circuit Court Judicial candidate, Trent Walker, was also present. The Friends of Fallen Riders motorcycle club

was also in attendance.

The turnout, which must have been in the hundreds, was satisfactory to the organizers. The attendees were a diverse group in terms of age with young and old enjoying the food, fun and sun together. There was open space for tents and lawn chairs. The music was loud and soulful.

The goal of the event was to bring together the large and historically relevant District 2 of Hinds County.

Speaking at the event Archie said, "We did it on a Sunday afternoon when people were leaving church and we're going to party til the sun goes down." And that is just what they did.

Hinds County School District Weekly Update ENGAGING-EMPOWERING-ENSURING-EXCELLENCE

Hinds County School District welcomed all new teachers with a New Teachers Orientation Seminar for three days. We are excited about our new teachers, and we look forward to making Hinds County School District the Best.



Hinds County School District gathered for an Administrator's Retreat. There is great excitement about this school year with great expectations and a commitment to be the best we can be in Hinds County.



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