

JACKSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

July 7, 2026 – 9:00 A.M

GEORGE A. SMITH MEETING ROOM

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND ROLL CALL (00:00 - 01:47)

The City Council of the City of Jackson met in a regular session on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Scott Conger called the meeting to order. Councilmember Lowrance led us in the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. The mayor then called the roll. Councilmembers were Candice Busby, Johnny Dodd, Richard Donnell, Julie Holt, Larry Lowrance, Russ McKelvey, Frank McMeen, JP Stovall, and Marda Wallace participated via Zoom. Also present was Recorder Secretary Markeisha Johnson. For complete details of the meeting, please refer to the July 7, 2026, video available on the City of Jackson website: [jacksontn.gov/Government/Mayor & Council/Council Meeting Archives](https://jacksontn.gov/Government/Mayor%20&%20Council/Council%20Meeting%20Archives).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (01:48 - 02:01)

The minutes for June 2, 2026, regular meeting and the June 25, 2026, and June 30, 2026, special called meetings were approved as presented and signed by the mayor.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS (02:02 – 09:17)

Parks and Recreation Proclamation

INVITATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT (09:19 - 20:13)

Second Reading Item No.1

Mark Thompson, Joel McAlexander, and Alex Holman

FIRST READING

- 1. Consideration of a Plan of Service, proposed annexation and zoning for an area referred to as “The Crossings at Exum Place Annexation Area”, comprising 87.66 acres, more or less, located at the north side of Ashport Road between Highway 45 Bypass and Highway 45 North. The proposed zoning is SC-1 (Planned Unit Commercial Development) District, R1 (Single Family Residential) District and B-5 (Highway Business) District.**

(20:19 - 21:46)

Councilmember Holt made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at the northeast quadrant of Highway 45 Bypass and Ashport Road from R1 (Single Family Residential) District to SC-1 (Planned Unit Commercial Development) District, comprising of 13.13 acres, more or less (21:49 - 22:33)**

Councilmember Stovall made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McKelvey, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

- 3. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at 45 Highway Bypass (Across from UT Agricultural Complex) from A-O (Agriculture/Open) District to I-O (Wholesale/Warehouse) District, comprising of 8.6 acres, more or less (22:35 - 23:40)**

Councilmember Holt made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

4. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at 279 Walker Road from O-C (Office Center) District to R3/PRD (High Density/Planned Residential Development) District, comprising of 1.4 acres, more or less (23:42 - 24:33)

Councilmember McMeen made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Holt, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Proposed Ordinance to amend Title 10 of the Code of Ordinances to add Sections 401-410 concerning an Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (24:38 - 24:54)

Councilmember McMeen made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Holt, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

SECOND READING

1. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at 219 Pleasant Plains Road from RS-1 (Single Family Residential) District to O (Office) District, comprising of 1.14 acres, more or less (24:57 – 25:35)

Councilmember McKelvey made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Holt, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, the motion failed by a

vote of four (4) in favor, four (4) opposed (Councilmembers Busby, Dodd, McMeen, and Wallace) and one (1) abstention (Councilmember Lowrance).

**2. Consideration of an Ordinance to rezone property located at 405 Airways Boulevard from B-4 (General Business) District to I-O (Wholesale Warehouse) District, comprising of 1.807 acres, more or less
(25:38 – 25:59)**

Councilmember McMeen made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Holt, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

3. Consideration of an Ordinance to close and abandon an alley between 235 and 241 Hatton Street (26:00 – 26:15)

Councilmember McMeen made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Election of Vice Mayor (26:18 – 26:55)

Councilmember Wallace made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, the motion passed by a vote of eight (8) in favor and one (1) abstention (Councilmember Donnell).

**2. Consideration of a TDOT contract CMA2741- Roadway Maintenance
(26:56 – 27:46)**

Councilmember McKelvey made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Holt, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

3. Consideration of TDOT contract CMA242- Mowing and Litter

(27:49 – 28:02)

Councilmember Holt made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

4. Consideration of a contract with Four Seasons for City wide Uniforms

(28:05 – 28:18)

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Busby, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Consideration of a contract with Alliant Construction for the award of the Malesus Park sports courts project (28:21 – 28:33)

Councilmember Stovall made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McMeen, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Consideration of Committee and Board Appointment:

- a. Jackson-Madison County Education Foundation: Appointment of Stephanie Graham (28:35 – 28:46)**

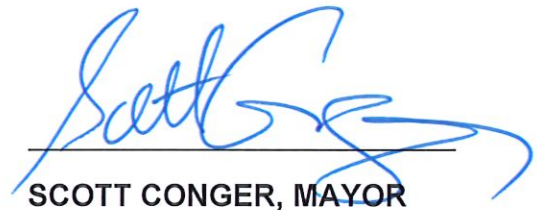
Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McMeen, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Budget Amendments less than \$10,000 (28:48

8. Consideration of Invoices over \$10,000 - 29:00)

Councilmember Dodd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Busby, to approve the agenda item as submitted. Upon a call for a vote, all voted aye; the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. (29:04)



SCOTT CONGER, MAYOR