

MLGW Agenda Committee Discussion



MLGW Committee

March 24, 2026

Fiscal Consent Totals:

- 1. Total Fiscal Consent Approved Amount Year-to-Date – \$ 89,410,485.86**
Items approved by Council through 03/03/2026.
- 2. Total Regular/Fiscal Consent Requested Amount – \$7,031,075.08**
Items requested for 03/24/2026 meeting.
- 3. Total Regular/Fiscal Consent Year-to-Date Amount – \$96,441,560.94**
Total of approvals and requests through 03/24/2026 meetings.

Items for Mar. 24th Agenda

Items approved by BOC on March 4th

1. Resolution awarding a twenty-four-month purchase order for fluorosilicic acid to Univar Solutions USA, LLC in the amount of \$810,000.00.
2. Resolution awarding a thirty-six-month purchase order for sodium hypochlorite to Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$4,592,000.00.
3. Resolution approving the ratification, increase, and renewal (Change No. 5) to Contract No. 12288, Gas Matrix Utility Landscaping with Enlightenment, Inc. dba APS Facility Maintenance, to ratify, increase, and renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$814,113.48.
4. Resolution awarding a purchase order for mini-digger derricks with trailers to Altec Industries Incorporated in the amount of \$580,192.00.
5. Request for approval of annual salary in the amount of \$234,769.60 for the position of Vice President and Chief Human Resource Officer.

Fluorosilicic Acid

- Requested Funding: \$810,000.00
- Award Duration: Twenty-Four-Months
- Type of Bid: Sealed Bid
- Awarded to: Univar Solutions USA, LLC
- Plain Language Description: Fluorosilicic acid is a chemical additive utilized to fluoridate the drinking water provided by MLGW. The acid aids in maintaining ideal fluoride levels, as regulated by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.
 - 1,800 Tons – Fluorosilicic acid for water treatment
- Impact: The acid is used in the water treatment process at MLGW's pumping stations.



Sodium Hypochlorite

- Requested Funding: \$4,592,000.00
- Award Duration: Thirty-Six-Months
- Type of Bid: Sealed Bid
- Awarded to: Hawkins, Inc.
- Plain Language Description: Sodium hypochlorite is added to the water to eliminate harmful bacteria and pathogens. This process is mandated and regulated by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation to ensure compliance with state water quality standards.
 - 800,000 Gallons Annually - Bleach 10.5%-12.5%
- Impact: The inclusion of sodium hypochlorite guarantees that the water is safe for Memphis residents to drink.



Gas Matrix Utility Landscaping

- Requested Funding: \$814,113.48
- Award Duration: Ratification, Increase, and fourth and final renewal (February 14, 2026 through February 13, 2027)
- Type of Bid: Sealed Bid
- Awarded to: Enlightenment, Inc. dba APS Facility Maintenance
- Plain Language Description: This contract is to supply supplemental landscaping services to MLGW's Gas Construction and Maintenance crews as required to restore areas disturbed by underground gas utility construction.
- Impact: This contract provides professional landscaping services that cannot be achieved using MLGW construction crews. An absence of this contract leads to customer frustration, customer complaints and property restoration claims against MLGW.

Mini-Digger Derricks with Trailers

- Requested Funding: \$580,192.00
- Award Duration: One-Time Purchase
- Type of Bid: Utilizing Sourcewell Contract Number 110421-ALT
- Awarded to: Altec Industries Incorporated

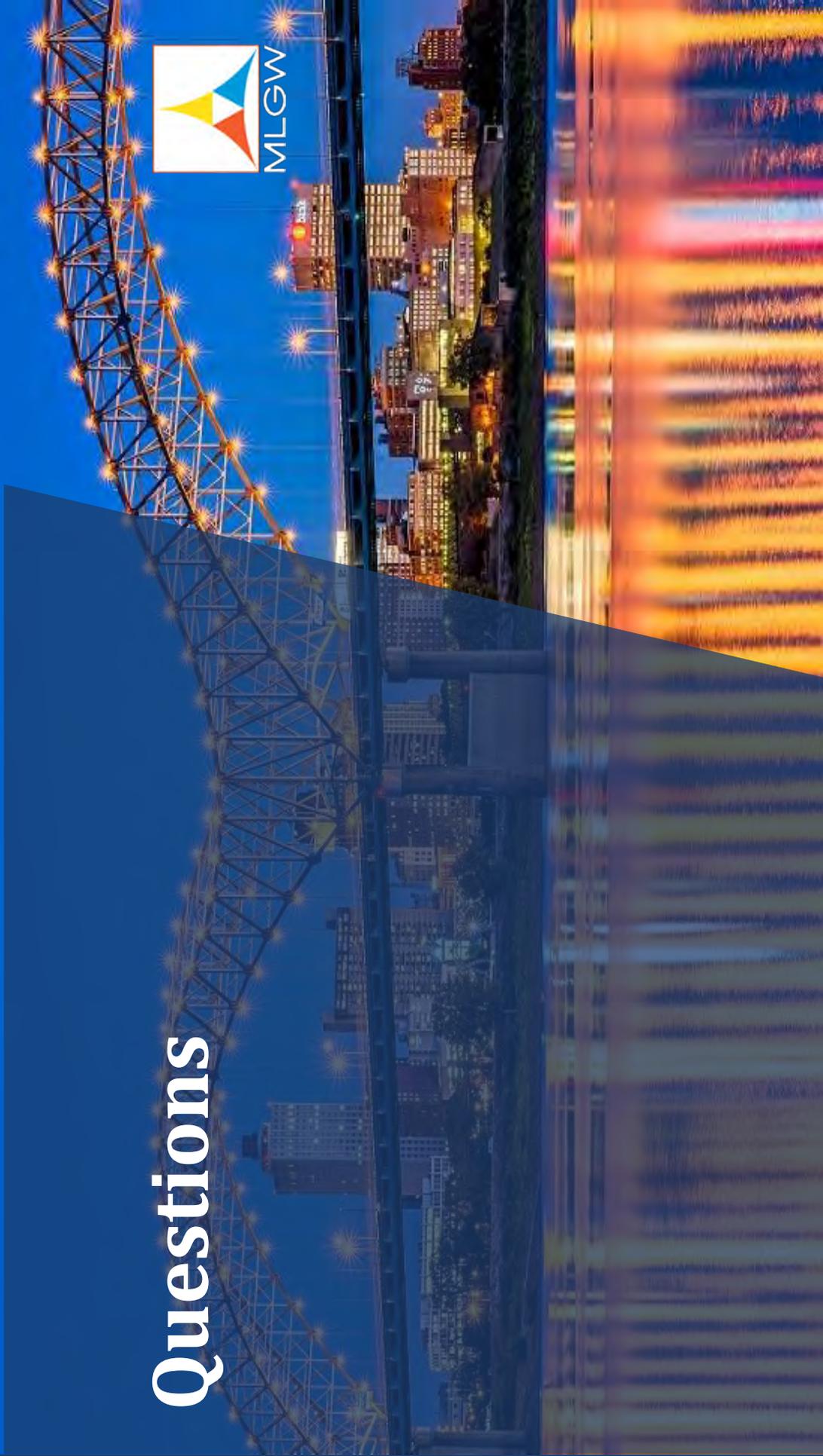


- Plain Language Description: Division crews will use mini-digger derricks equipped with trailers to lift and position utility poles and transformers in hard-to-access areas, such as residential backyards.
 - 2 – Latest model self-propelled mini-derrick with hydraulic auger and a maximum lift capacity of at least 6,000 pounds
- Impact: The mini-digger derricks with trailers will replace older equipment based on factors such as age, operational usage, and repair costs.

Request for salary approval for the position of Vice President and Chief Human Resource Officer.

- Requested Funding: \$234,769.60
- Award Duration: N/A
- Type of Bid: N/A
- Awarded to: N/A
- Plain Language Description: The President & CEO and the Interim Chief People Officer have recommended to the Board of Light, Gas, and Water Commissioners that they approve an annual salary of \$234,769.60 for a position: Vice President and Chief Human Resource Officer, subject to the consent and approval of the City Council of the City of Memphis.

Questions



Midsouth Construction Careers Pre Apprenticeship Program

*Equipping the Midsouth with the tools needed to
secure jobs in the construction industry*

Matt Brown, Director

March 24, 2026

Current Landscape

- The midsouth is experiencing a construction boom
- Historically, certain populations have been left out of the construction/trade industries
- The average age of a union construction worker is 44 years old, they will be retiring in the next 15-20 years, leaving a need for trained workers
- Previous large construction projects (i.e. Blue Oval) contractors had to recruit out of state qualified candidates to fill in employment gaps

Midsouth Construction Careers

Mission

- Our mission is to equip individuals with the tools they need to secure middle-class jobs in construction and thrive in this industry.
- We are preparing the next generation of building trade professionals. Our program equips unemployed and underemployed Shelby County residents with the skills needed to secure stable, high-wage jobs and address workforce shortages.
- We breakdown silos between unions, private businesses, and community organizations to create economic opportunity for all.
- Our pre apprenticeship program prepares students for full apprenticeship opportunities in 12 distinct building trades.
- Our program serves women, people of color, veterans, justice impacted individuals.



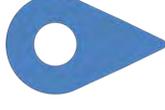
Program Overview



Midsouth Construction
Careers (MCC) started the
first class in January 2025
4 cohorts per year



Our instructors come from
12 different Joint
Apprenticeship Trading
Centers (JATCs)



Classes take place
throughout the city at the
various JATCs and the
Memphis Urban League

Key Activities



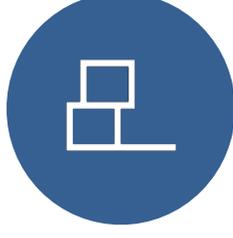
CLASSROOM
LEARNING



HANDS ON
EXPERIENCE



CERTIFICATIONS



WRAPAROUND
SERVICES

How the Program Works

Students attend 4 weeks of class, 8 hours per day

- classroom learning: US Department of Labor recognized curriculum
- hands on experience in each of the 12 construction trades
- soft skills

Students receive a stipend for hours they attend

- \$15/hour
- other wraparound support as needed

Students earn CPR and OSHA 10 certifications

- OSHA 10 is often required to work on many construction sites

Graduates self select area of interest and receive a recommendation for full apprenticeship programs

- additional tutoring is offered post graduation
- monthly check ins from staff post graduation

Impact & Outcomes

- 54 graduates
- 25 applied for apprentice programs
 - 12 have been accepted
 - 7 are awaiting interviews
- Students reported feeling 100% confident about their future career

“Thank y’all for helping me find my new life”

“I love the MC3 program best thing anyone has thought to do in the city for the city”

“I am grateful for and opportunity to be able to provide for my children”

“Great program cannot wait to see where it takes me”

“This program rock[s]”

“Y’all did a big one with this program”

Partnerships
that make our
program WORK

- Electricians (IBEW)
- Plumbers/UA
- Carpenters
- Millwrights
- Iron Workers
- Sheet Metal Workers
- Laborers (LIUNA)
- Sprinkler Fitters
- Insulators
- Operating Engineers
- Elevator Operators
- Teamsters
- TN Workforce Development
- Memphis Urban League
- Workers Interfaith Network

Future Goals

Program expansion

- Forklift certification
- Nutrition
- Habitat for Humanity builds
- Industrial Readiness Program

Contact Us!

Midsouthconstructioncareers.org

Matt Brown, Director

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CITY OF MEMPHIS SIGN ORDINANCE

Illegal Signs in the Public Right-of-Way



Oct 13, 2025 at 7:44:07 PM
1686-1698 Appling Rd
Cordova TN 38016
United States



Oct 1, 2025 at 4:24:34 AM
590 N Germantown Pkwy
Memphis TN 38018
United States



Oct 13, 2025 at 8:21:52 PM
584 N Germantown Pkwy
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Oct 13, 2025 at 8:21:44 PM
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City of Memphis Sign Ordinance 10-12-9

Sec. 10-12-9. - Public property and works—Injuring or defacing, and regulating advertising and/or campaign materials.

- A. No person shall injure or deface any public building, public work or public property, provided, however, painting of numerals of the street address on the curb immediately in front of a structure shall not be an act prohibited in this section when conforming to provisions set forth in [section 12-4-7](#).
- B. No person shall post, stick, stamp, paint or otherwise fix, or cause the same to be done by any person, any notice, placard, bill, card, poster, advertisement or other paper or device calculated to attract the attention of the public, to or upon any public property, including but not limited to, any street, sidewalk, crosswalk, curb, or any other portion or part of any public way or public place or building, or any telephone pole, light standard, stop sign, railway structure, tree, bush or shrub, or upon any railings, gates, or other parts of any public bridge, viaduct, subway or overpass, or upon any other public property, right-of-way or easement granted to the city. No person shall remove, deface or otherwise tamper with any lawfully posted signs.
- C. Any notice, placard, bill, card, poster, advertisement or other paper or device as referred to in subsection B of this section, which contains a message attributable to a person or entity named thereon or an advertisement or telephone number notification for the benefit of a person or entity, or any properly authenticated photograph or videotape of same, shall be prima facie evidence that the notice, placard, bill, card, poster, advertisement or other paper or device was placed on public property in violation of this section by the person or entity whose name appears thereon or whose telephone number appears thereon, or by their employee or agent while acting in the scope of their employment or agency and on behalf of the person or entity whose name or telephone number appears thereon.
- D. Each notice, placard, bill, card, poster, advertisement or other paper or device as referred to in subsection B of this section, found posted on public property in violation of this section shall be deemed to be a separate violation of this section. Each separate violation shall be punishable by a fine of \$50.00. In addition, in order to remediate the harm caused the city by violations of this section, the city shall be entitled to recover a penalty in an amount equal to the cost incurred in locating, removing and disposing of such material, provided however that such penalty shall not exceed \$200.00.
- E. The division of public works is authorized to issue citations for violation of this section, and to act as the city's official representative in all prosecutions of such citations in all appropriate courts.

(Code 1967, § 22-43; Code 1985, § 20-26; Ord. No. 1432, § 1, 9-26-1972; Ord. No. 3156, § 1, 9-29-1981; Ord. No. 4999, 5-20-2003; Ord. No. 5073, § 1, 2004)



Campaign Sign Courtesy Letter / Campaign Closing letter

Dear Political Candidates:

Subject: Campaign Signs

This is a courtesy notice for all political candidates and their campaign teams. As you campaign in the upcoming election, please be mindful of City of Memphis Ordinance Sections 10-12-9, 15-4.4.7, and 15-4.9.9 through 15-4.9.16 with regard to (1) where campaign signs can and cannot be legally placed, and (2) potential penalties associated with violations of the ordinance sections. Copies of these ordinance sections are enclosed with this notice and can also be accessed via the following website:

https://library.municode.com/tn/memphis/codes/code_of_ordinances.

Ordinance Section 10-12-9 states that signs placed on public property are subject to removal, citation, and possible fines of \$50.00 per sign plus court costs. Public property is generally considered to include, but is not limited to, rights-of-way or easements (for example, the grassy area between the sidewalk and the curb), medians, public buildings, utility poles, traffic signs, overpasses, bridges, parks, trees, and the "clear sight triangles" at intersections (including driveways).

Ordinance Section 15-4.4.7 (Section 4.4.7 of the Memphis and Shelby County Unified Development Code) identifies the "clear sight triangle" areas at the various types of intersections within which signs not meeting the specified height restrictions (usually 3 feet measured relative to the centerline of the adjacent roadway lane) cannot be legally placed. The dimensions of the "clear sight triangle" area vary with intersection type, traffic control type (traffic light, stop sign, or none), and posted speed limit. As a general rule, campaign signs at intersections will not be in violation of this ordinance if they are located at the following distances from the tip of the corner and both curbs: 14 feet for intersecting through streets controlled by traffic lights or stop signs; 24 feet for intersecting through streets controlled by yield signs or with no traffic control present; and 10 feet for all other types of intersections (including driveways).

Ordinance Section 15-4.9.9 (Section 4.9.9 of the Memphis and Shelby County Unified Development Code) identifies the size, number, and location of temporary signs that are allowed on a property. As a general rule, signs will not be in violation of this ordinance if they are no more than 8 feet in height, 16 square feet in area if on a property less than 2 acres in area (32 square feet if on a property greater than 2 acres), and set back at least 10 feet (residential/mixed use districts) or 15 feet (industrial districts) from the right-of-way and 15 feet from any other lot line. A total of 4 temporary detached signs are allowed on a residential district property, whereas only 1 temporary detached sign is allowed on a mixed use or industrial district property.

When identifying illegal signs, Division of Public Works enforcement personnel make no distinctions based on the type of sign or subject matter. During the course of daily operations, all signs found on public property and, if appropriate, otherwise in violation of the above-referenced ordinances will be removed and logged regarding date, location, subject, and – if listed – telephone number.

We have found that one illegally placed sign often attracts other illegal signs to the same location. Consequently, if you or members of your campaign team see signs on public property or at other locations in violation of the above-referenced ordinances, please do not also place your signs at the location. Furthermore, given that most candidates are not directly involved in the placement of all of their signs, we respectfully request that you distribute and/or post copies of this notice in the placement of all campaign signs for all members of your sign committee to read. Finally, please be aware that all campaign signs must be removed within 2 weeks after election day. Questions regarding this notice and the enclosures can be directed to [Environmental Enforcement at 901-636-4770](mailto:EnvironmentalEnforcement@901-636-4770) or escomplaints@memphistn.gov.

Thank you for your assistance in this important community matter.

Dear Political Candidates:

Subject: Campaign Sign Removal

This is a **NOTICE** for all political candidates and their campaign teams. As your election campaign comes to an end, please be mindful of City of Memphis Ordinance Sections 10-12-9, 15-4.4.7, and 15-4.9.9 through 15-4.9.16 regarding (1) where campaign signs can and cannot be legally placed, and (2) potential penalties associated with violations of the ordinance sections. Copies of these ordinance sections can be accessed via the following website:

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Furthermore, given that most candidates are not directly involved in the placement of all their signs, we respectfully request that you distribute and/or post copies of this notice for all members of your campaign and sign committee to read.

Finally, please be aware that all campaign signs must be removed within 48 hours after election day.

Questions regarding this notice can be directed to Environmental Enforcement at 901-636-4770 or escomplaints@memphistn.gov.

Thank you for your assistance in this important community matter.

City of Memphis
Division Of Community Enhancement

Number of Signs Collected by Council District

MONTH	2023 SIGNS							MONTHLY TOTALS
	DISTRICT-1	DISTRICT-2	DISTRICT-3	DISTRICT-4	DISTRICT-5	DISTRICT-6	DISTRICT-7	
JANUARY	0	0	0	0	82	87	448	617
FEBRUARY	0	178	0	40	0	12	270	500
MARCH	0	152	52	292	58	270	106	930
APRIL	43	140	456	94	122	92	180	1127
MAY	59	200	254	310	72	722	314	1931
JUNE	88	42	48	77	100	285	460	1500
JULY	132	450	1078	734	20	332	158	2904
AUGUST	117	60	104	64	147	95	157	744
SEPTEMBER	62	66	206	140	50	134	54	712
OCTOBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NOVEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DECEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
YEARLY TOTALS	501	1288	2598	1751	651	2029	2147	10965

MONTH	2024 SIGNS							MONTHLY TOTALS
	DISTRICT-1	DISTRICT-2	DISTRICT-3	DISTRICT-4	DISTRICT-5	DISTRICT-6	DISTRICT-7	
JANUARY	75	20	26	77	4	11	43	256
FEBRUARY	5	0	12	177	13	0	15	222
MARCH	0	0	0	40	0	19	0	59
APRIL	0	0	31	0	0	67	6	104
MAY	3	0	0	9	5	10	26	53
JUNE	75	0	0	34	152	0	71	332
JULY	3	84	124	34	28	0	39	312
AUGUST	0	17	0	12	0	76	31	136
SEPTEMBER	0	0	0	0	3	137	23	163
OCTOBER	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
NOVEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DECEMBER	0	0	0	67	0	0	0	67
YEARLY TOTALS	161	121	193	450	177	351	254	1707

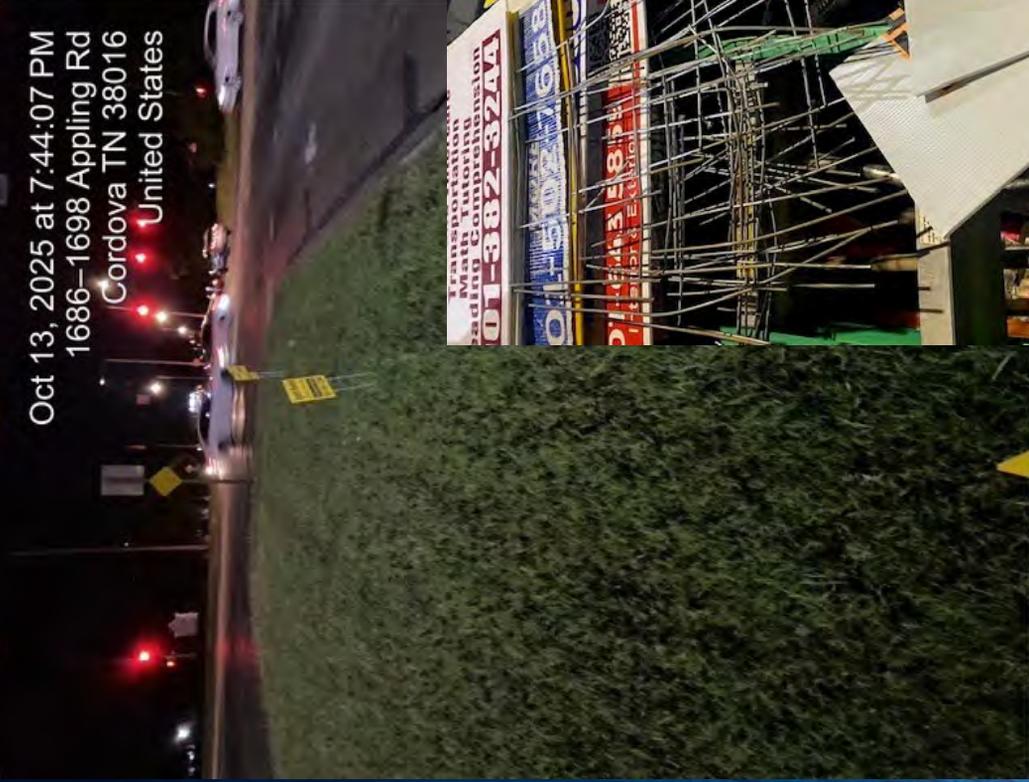
MONTH	2025 SIGNS							MONTHLY TOTALS
	DISTRICT-1	DISTRICT-2	DISTRICT-3	DISTRICT-4	DISTRICT-5	DISTRICT-6	DISTRICT-7	
JANUARY	229	0	0	0	0	0	165	394
FEBRUARY	0	47	243	171	261	0	22	744
MARCH	0	0	261	34	0	0	72	367
APRIL	0	0	229	264	0	0	0	493
MAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JUNE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JULY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUGUST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEPTEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OCTOBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NOVEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DECEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
YEARLY TOTALS	229	47	733	469	261	0	259	1998

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2023 SIGNS	
MONTH	MONTHLY TOTALS
JANUARY	617
FEBRUARY	500
MARCH	930
APRIL	1127
MAY	1931
JUNE	1500
JULY	2904
AUGUST	744
SEPTEMBER	712
OCTOBER	0
NOVEMBER	0
DECEMBER	0
YEARLY TOTALS	10965

2024 SIGNS	
MONTH	MONTHLY TOTALS
JANUARY	256
FEBRUARY	222
MARCH	59
APRIL	104
MAY	53
JUNE	332
JULY	312
AUGUST	136
SEPTEMBER	163
OCTOBER	3
NOVEMBER	0
DECEMBER	67
YEARLY TOTALS	1707

2025 SIGNS	
MONTH	MONTHLY TOTALS
JANUARY	394
FEBRUARY	744
MARCH	367
APRIL	493
MAY	0
JUNE	0
JULY	0
AUGUST	0
SEPTEMBER	0
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ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MEMPHIS CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 10 ARTICLE XII BY ADDING A NEW SECTION § 10-12-9.1 RELATIVE TO A TEMPORARY SIGNAGE REGISTRY FOR THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council has adopted regulations prohibiting the placement of signs, placards, and advertisements on public property, including streets, sidewalks, and rights-of-way, except as otherwise authorized; and

WHEREAS, unauthorized signage within the public right-of-way contributes to visual blight, traffic safety hazards, and increased enforcement and removal costs for the City; and

WHEREAS, data from the Division of Public Works and Community Enhancement demonstrates that thousands of unauthorized signs are removed annually, placing a burden on City resources; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that limited, temporary signage may be appropriate under certain circumstances when subject to registration, accountability, and timely removal requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to establish a Temporary Signage Registry to ensure that any authorized signage placed within the public right-of-way is properly monitored, identified, and removed in a timely manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL: SECTION 1. That Chapter 10, Article XII, Section 10-12-9 of the Memphis Code of Ordinances is hereby supplemented by adding a new Section 10-12-9.1 to read as follows:

SEC. 10-12-9.1 — Temporary Signage Registry for Public Right-of-Way

This Section shall apply to any temporary signage placed within any public right-of-way where such signage is otherwise permitted or authorized by law.

(A) General Prohibition

No person shall place, post, or maintain any temporary sign within the public right-of-way unless:

1. Such signage is expressly authorized by the City, and
2. The signage has been registered in accordance with this Section.

(B) Establishment of Registry

There is hereby established a Temporary Signage Registry, to be administered by the Division of Community Enhancement or such other division as designated by the Mayor.

(C) Registration Requirements

Prior to placement, any person or entity seeking to place authorized temporary signage shall register with the City and provide:

1. Name of the responsible individual, business, organization, or campaign;
2. Physical address and contact information, including telephone number and email;
3. Purpose of the signage (including event, campaign, or notice);
4. Specific location(s) of proposed placement;
5. Number and description of signs;
6. Date of placement and duration of display;
7. Name and contact information of the individual responsible for removal of the signage;
and
8. A certification agreeing to timely removal in accordance with this Section.

(D) Duration and Removal

1. All registered signage shall be removed no later than the expiration date specified in the registration;
2. Failure to remove signage shall constitute a \$50 fine for each sign, for each occurrence, and for each day the sign remains in violation.

(E) Enforcement

1. Any signage placed without registration shall be deemed unauthorized and subject to immediate removal;
2. Each sign shall constitute a separate violation punishable by a fine not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00);
3. The City shall be entitled to recover all costs associated with the removal, storage, and disposal of such signage;
4. The presence of a name, telephone number, or identifying information on a sign shall constitute prima facie evidence of responsibility.

(F) Revocation and Denial

The City may deny, suspend, or revoke registration privileges for any person or entity that:

1. Fails to remove signage as required;
2. Repeatedly violates this Section; or
3. Provides false or misleading registration information.

(G) Administrative Authority

The division of Community Enhancement is authorized to promulgate rules, forms, and procedures necessary to implement and enforce this Section.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby severable. If any of these sections, provisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or parts is held unconstitutional or void, the remainder of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. CODIFICATION.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this ordinance amends Chapter 2 of the Official City Code. The City has authorized the Municipal Code Corporation to provide a republication of the City's Ordinances in the Official City Code, as amended from time to time, for the convenience of the public. The Official City Code and the official version of all new, amending, repealing and clarifying ordinances adopted by the City Council are maintained by the City's Comptroller in the Office of Council Records.

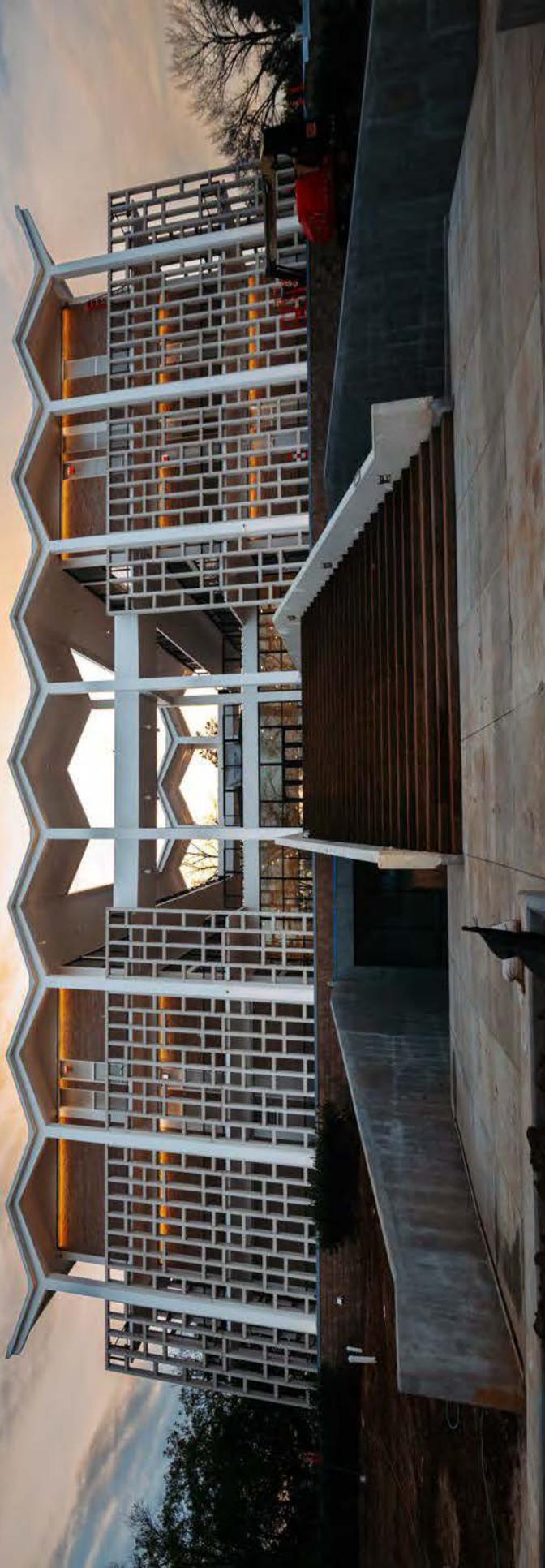
SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall take effect after having been passed by City Council, signed by the Chair of Council, certified and delivered to the office of the Mayor in writing by the comptroller, and becomes effective as otherwise provided by law and shall remain effective and operative unless and until the City Council alters, amends clarifies or repeals it by a superseding, amending, clarifying or codifying ordinance.

Sponsor:

Jana Swearingen-Washington

The Metal Museum at Overton Park







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DEMO AREA
FINE METALS
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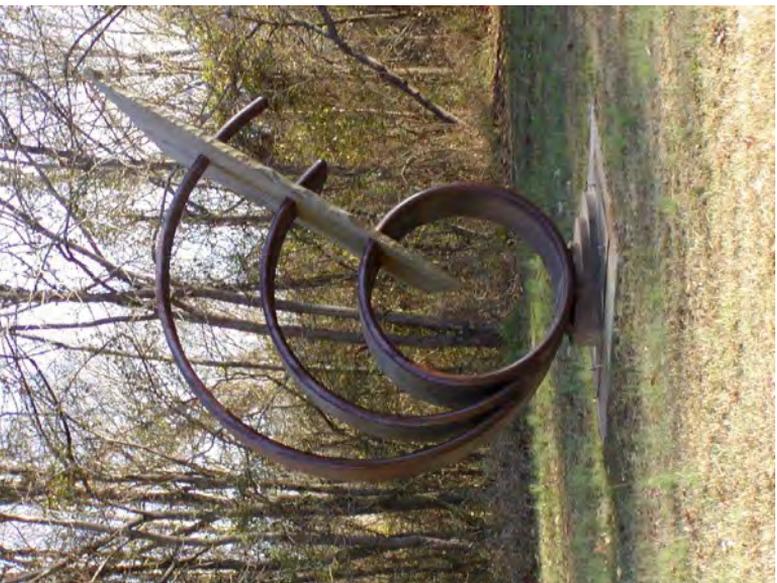














MEET

MR. ROBERT R. CHURCH, SR.

1839 - 1912



PRESENTED BY

MEMPHIS CHAPTER OF THE

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, INC

ROBERT REED CHURCH SR. (JUNE 18, 1839 – AUGUST 29, 1912) WAS AN AMERICAN ENTREPRENEUR, BUSINESSMAN AND LANDOWNER IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, WHO BEGAN HIS RISE DURING THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR. HE WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN "MILLIONAIRE" IN THE SOUTH.[1] CHURCH BUILT A REPUTATION FOR GREAT WEALTH AND INFLUENCE IN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. HE FOUNDED SOLVENT SAVINGS BANK, THE FIRST BLACK-OWNED BANK IN THE CITY, WHICH EXTENDED CREDIT TO BLACKS SO THEY COULD BUY HOMES AND DEVELOP BUSINESSES. AS A PHILANTHROPIST, CHURCH USED HIS WEALTH TO DEVELOP A PARK, PLAYGROUND, AUDITORIUM AND OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE BLACK COMMUNITY, WHO WERE EXCLUDED BY STATE-ENACTED RACIAL SEGREGATION FROM MOST SUCH AMENITIES IN THE CITY.

THE SON OF A BLACK MOTHER AND WHITE FATHER, CHURCH BEGAN WORKING AS A STEWARD, WITH HIS FATHER, A STEAMBOAT OWNER. YOUNG CHURCH WAS TAKEN ALONG WITH HIS FATHER ON HIS ROUTE BETWEEN MEMPHIS AND NEW ORLEANS. ROBERT CHURCH BOUGHT HIS FIRST PROPERTY IN MEMPHIS IN 1862. HE WAS WELL ESTABLISHED BY 1878-79, THE YEARS OF DEVASTATING YELLOW FEVER EPIDEMICS WHICH RESULTED IN DRAMATIC DEPOPULATION IN THE CITY. WITH PROPERTY DEVALUED, CHURCH BOUGHT NUMEROUS BUSINESSES AS WELL AS UNDEVELOPED LAND, WITH THE LONG-TERM VIEW OF THEIR APPRECIATION AS THE CITY RECOVERED. HE BUILT HIS GREAT WEALTH ON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS. HE PURCHASED THE FIRST \$1,000 MUNICIPAL BOND TO HELP THE CITY RECOVER FROM BANKRUPTCY AFTER IT WAS REDUCED TO A TAXING DISTRICT.[2]

1. JESSIE CARNEY SMITH, ED., "ROBERT REED CHURCH SR.," IN NOTABLE BLACK AMERICAN MEN, 1 (DETROIT: GALE RESEARCH, 1999), 202.

2. JESSIE CARNEY SMITH, ED., "ROBERT REED CHURCH SR.," IN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AFRICAN AMERICAN BUSINESS, VOLUME 1 (WESTPORT: GREENWOOD, 2006), 165.

CHURCH PARK (1899--)

In 1899, the city of Memphis did not provide recreational facilities such as parks and playgrounds for its black citizens, nor were there any suitable places where black theatrical troupes could perform. It was to meet these needs that Robert R. Church bought a tract of land and built on it an auditorium with funds he had accumulated since the Civil War. The park was called "Church's Park and Auditorium" and was located on a site of over six acres on Beale Street near Fourth and Turley. The grounds were handsomely and generously landscaped, and the auditorium, equipped with the best and most modern accommodations of the time, could seat 2,200 people.

Church's Park and Auditorium was built by Church, owned by Church, and managed by Church. It was heralded as the only business venture of its kind in America and represented an unusual business feat for anyone at any time in history. An article in the September 15, 1906 Planter Journal noted that the auditorium cost \$50,000 and that it was well equipped and had one of the largest stages in the South, completely furnished with all modern equipment, including a fire-proof curtain. The Planter's Journal also pointed out that the park and auditorium were without a doubt the most beautiful of its kind in the entire country.

Beneath the stage in the auditorium was a large banquet hall and bar, and a soda fountain was located near the entrance to provide refreshments for visitors. The fire-proof drop curtain on the stage of the auditorium was a copy of an oil painting of the burning steamer, Bulletin No. 2, which hung in the parlor of the Church residence. In addition to the auditorium, there was a large bandstand where evening band concerts were performed for the public during the summer months. Bands of fraternal organizations and other groups played for picnics and various events held in the park. Also contained in the park was a playground with recreational facilities, including slides and swings, for the entertainment and pleasure of children.

Among the popular theatrical troupes that toured the country prior to 1920 and performed at the Church Park Auditorium were the Black Patti Troubadours, with John Rucker (known as "The Alabama Blossom"), Madame Sissieretta Jones (the famous "Black Patti"), the Smart Set with S. H. Dudley (advertised as "The Greatest Colored Show On Earth"), and the Fisk Jubilee Singers.

President Theodore Roosevelt was a guest at a reception given by the black citizens of Memphis and addressed an estimated audience of over 10,000 citizens there on November 19, 1902. Booker T. Washington and party, who were touring Tennessee, also were guests there for breakfast in the banquet hall of the auditorium on November 24, 1909. James Shilliday, Herbert J. Seligmann, James Weldon Johnson, and Walter White, all officials of the national office of the NAACP, visited the location.

The Lincoln Republican League, founded and organized by Robert R. Church, Jr., held its meetings in the auditorium, as did the first Memphis Branch of the NAACP. The Church of God In Christ, founded by Bishop C. H. Mason, held its convocations in the Church Park Auditorium before Mason Temple was built. William C. Handy, the world famous "blues" composer and musician, was employed to play for dances in Church's Park and Auditorium. The Cotton Makers' Jubilee, the black arm of the spring Cotton Carnival festival, was held on the site. World-acclaimed musicians Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong, and Cab Calloway all played jazz there. Numerous school activities, including LeMoyné Owen College athletic games, dances, and other events were held there.

Much of Memphis' early black history took place on Beale Street in Church's Park and Auditorium. During the 1940s, a hostile City of Memphis administration changed the name of the park and auditorium to "Beale Avenue Auditorium." Some years later, structures on the site were demolished under the government's urban renewal program. The site was empty and barren until 1987, when the park was refurbished and landscaped into a tree-shaded grassy area.

In 1993, the park was listed in the National Register of Historic Places and was made a part of the Beale Street Historic District. In 1994, Roberta Church, the granddaughter of the founder, gave the park and city a large 22,000-pound white granite and bronze memorial monument, erected in memory of and dedicated to her father, Robert Church, Jr. The monument features a bronze bust of Robert R. Church, Sr., and is inscribed with historical information.

HISTORICAL USE

- 2,000-seat auditorium
 - Banquet Hall
- Commencement exercises for local high schools
 - Civic meetings
 - Guest lecturers
- Concerts/Dances
 - Office Space
 - Green Space

POTENTIAL USE

- Senior Citizen Services
- African American Museum
 - Child Care
- Community Recital and Outlet
 - Event Center
 - Office Space
- Concerts/Civic Meetings
 - Green Space
- Basketball Courts
 - Tennis Courts
 - Walking Trails

TIME LINE

The Time Line for The Church Park and Auditorium -391 Beale St.

- In 1899, Robert R. Church Sr., the first black millionaire in The South, built Church's Park and Auditorium on six acres of land, exclusively for African Americans. He built the park when the city of Memphis refused to build parks and recreational outlets for African Americans. Special features of the auditorium and park included walks, flower beds, and free roaming peacocks punctuating the landscape. The auditorium could seat 2,000 in its theater and there was a large banquet hall beneath the stage.
- In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt spoke at the auditorium to an overflow crowd of 10,000 that spilled out into the park.
- In 1909, Booker T. Washington appeared at the auditorium as guest speaker.
- In 1917, the first branch of the NAACP in Tennessee was organized in the church auditorium by Bob Church, Jr.
- In 1921, the Church family sold the park and the auditorium to the city of Memphis for \$85,000. The original auditorium was razed and a new one built. Mayor Walter Chandler renamed the Church Park and Auditorium to The Beale Street Park and Auditorium.
- In 1953, The City of Memphis burned the church home to the ground.
- 1956 The public outcry forced the city to restore the original name, Church Park and Auditorium.
- 1970's The wrecking ball demolished all buildings on site and left an open space. Mayor Henry Loeb made a public pledge to rebuild the auditorium park in 1970 during the 150th Anniversary of Memphis, Tennessee.

**KEY CONCEPT ENDORSEMENTS
(PARTIAL LIST)**

Memphis Chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Dr. L. LaSimba M. Gray, Jr. - President

Heritage Tours

Elaine Turner, CEO

Rainbow Push (Memphis)

Rev. Dr. Joseph Kyles

April Fourth Foundation

Dr. Johnson Saulsberry, President

Memphis Baptist Ministers Association

Rev. Dr. James Glover

First Baptist Beale Church

Rev. Cory Helton, Pastor

Neshoba Community Resource Center

Dr. Darell Harrington, President, CEO

PROJECTED COST TO REBUILD

TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS.

CONSULTING ARCHITECTS:

JIMMY TUCKER

JOHN JACKSON

IMPACT OF THIS PROPOSED PROJECT:

**IMMEDIATE INFUSION OF ECONOMIC GROWTH FOR THE EAST END
OF BEALE STREET**



Memphis City Council Summary Sheet

(Revised January 28, 2026)

1. Description of the Item (Resolution, Ordinance, etc.)

A RESOLUTION to allocate, appropriate and transfer remaining funds from five (5) completed Memphis Park's Accelerate Memphis projects to various Memphis Park's Accelerate Memphis projects.

2. Initiating Party (e.g. Public Works, at request of City Council, etc.)

Memphis Parks

3. State whether this is a change to an existing ordinance or resolution, if applicable.

N/A

4. State whether this will impact specific council districts or super districts.

Districts 2,4, and 6 & Super District 8 and 9

5. State whether this requires a new contract, or amends an existing contract, if applicable.

Memphis Parks will amend existing contracts on ongoing projects as needed

6. State whether this requires an expenditure of funds/requires a budget amendment.

This resolution does require an amendment of the FY26 CIP Budget. Spending is required to execute the various Accelerate Memphis Projects.

7. If same night minutes are requested, state the reason for the urgency.

Yes, attempting to close out project by June 30 Accelerate Memphis deadline.



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A RESOLUTION to allocate, appropriate and transfer remaining funds from five (5) completed Memphis Park's Accelerate Memphis projects to various Memphis Park's Accelerate Memphis projects

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Memphis did allocate and appropriate funds for various Accelerate Memphis projects in past fiscal years and as part of previous CIP budgets; and

WHEREAS, multiple Accelerate Memphis CIP projects have been completed under budget, resulting in a total available balance of one hundred ninety-two thousand three hundred ninety-one dollars and eight cents (\$192,391.08); and

WHEREAS, several Accelerate Memphis projects including PK07134 Sea Isle Fitness, PKA1203 Chandler Playground, and PKA1301 Aquatic Facilities have received or are anticipated to receive bids exceeding prior cost estimates, requiring additional funding to ensure timely and successful completion; and

WHEREAS, the Administration desires to reallocate, re-appropriate, and transfer funds from completed Accelerate Memphis projects to address this vital community improvement as follows;

FROM: Project Title: Park Misc. Improvements

Project Number: PK24103

Amount: \$149,685.48

Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Court Square Fountain

Project Number: GAA4101

Amount: \$14,710.00

Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Parks Demolition- Reimbursement

Project Number: GAA4201

Amount: \$27994.62

Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Hollywood/ O. Mound Splash Pads

Project Number: PKA1207

Amount: \$0.34

Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Audubon Renovations

Project Number: PKA2101

Amount: \$0.64

Type: Contract Construction

TO: Project Title: Aquatic Facilities

Project Number: PKA1301

Amount: 25,391.08

Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Sea Isle Fitness

Project Number: PK07134

Amount: 80,000.00

Type: Contract Construction

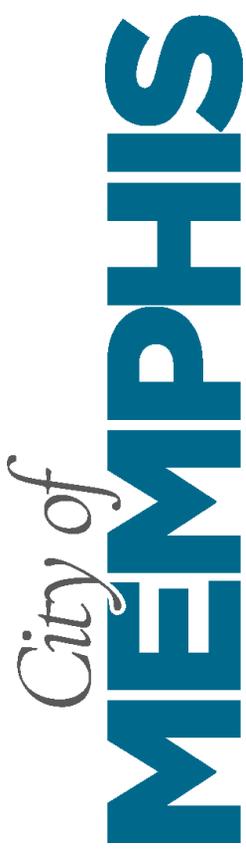
Project Title: Chandler Park

Project Number: PKA1203

Amount: 87,000.00

Type: Contract Construction

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis that it hereby approves the allocation, appropriation and transfer a sum total of one hundred ninety-two thousand three hundred ninety-one dollars and eight cents (192,391.08) from 5 Memphis Parks completed Accelerate Memphis projects to PKA1301, PK07134, PKA1211, and PKA1203 to the project and in the amounts detailed above, and to revise the FY2026 CIP Budget accordingly.



\$192,391.08 Transfer to Various Memphis Parks' Accelerate Memphis Projects

Parks & Environment Committee

March 24, 2026

Chandler Park New Pavilion & Playground

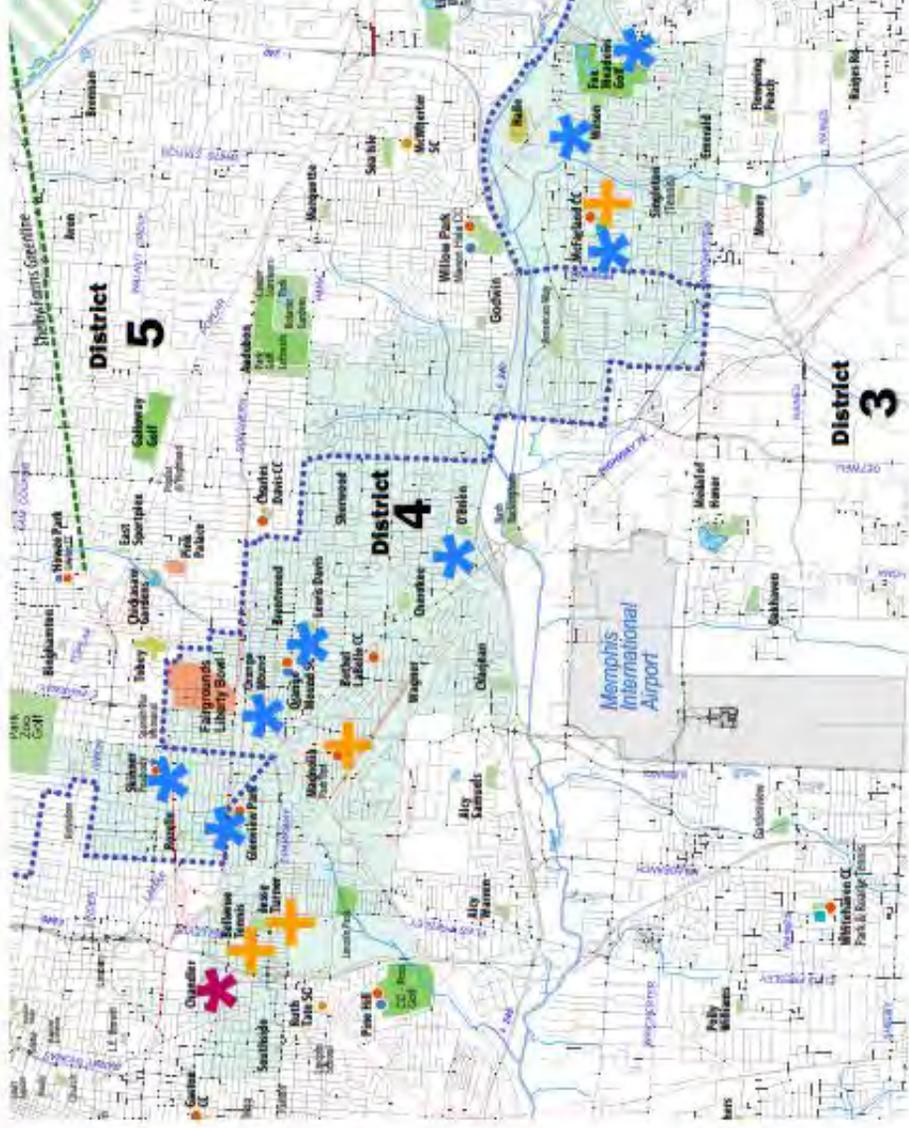
Chandler Park New Pavilion & Playground

District 4, Super District 8

Installation of new pavilion, playground surfacing, playground equipment, grading and drainage improvements, benches, grills, and ADA tables. ADA improvements, addition of new concrete accessible paths, drinking fountain, and trash receptacles.

Estimated Cost	Dedicated Funds	Funds Needed
\$637,000*	\$550,000*	\$87,000

*Includes \$116,160.40 previously used to procure furniture, fixtures, and equipment.



City of Memphis
Paul Young, Mayor

Memphis Parks CIP & Accelerate Projects Status District 4

Active CIP

- Bellevue Tennis Improvements
- McFarland CC Door Replacement
- Magnolia Annex Door Replacement
- Jesse Turner Sports Lighting

Active Accelerate

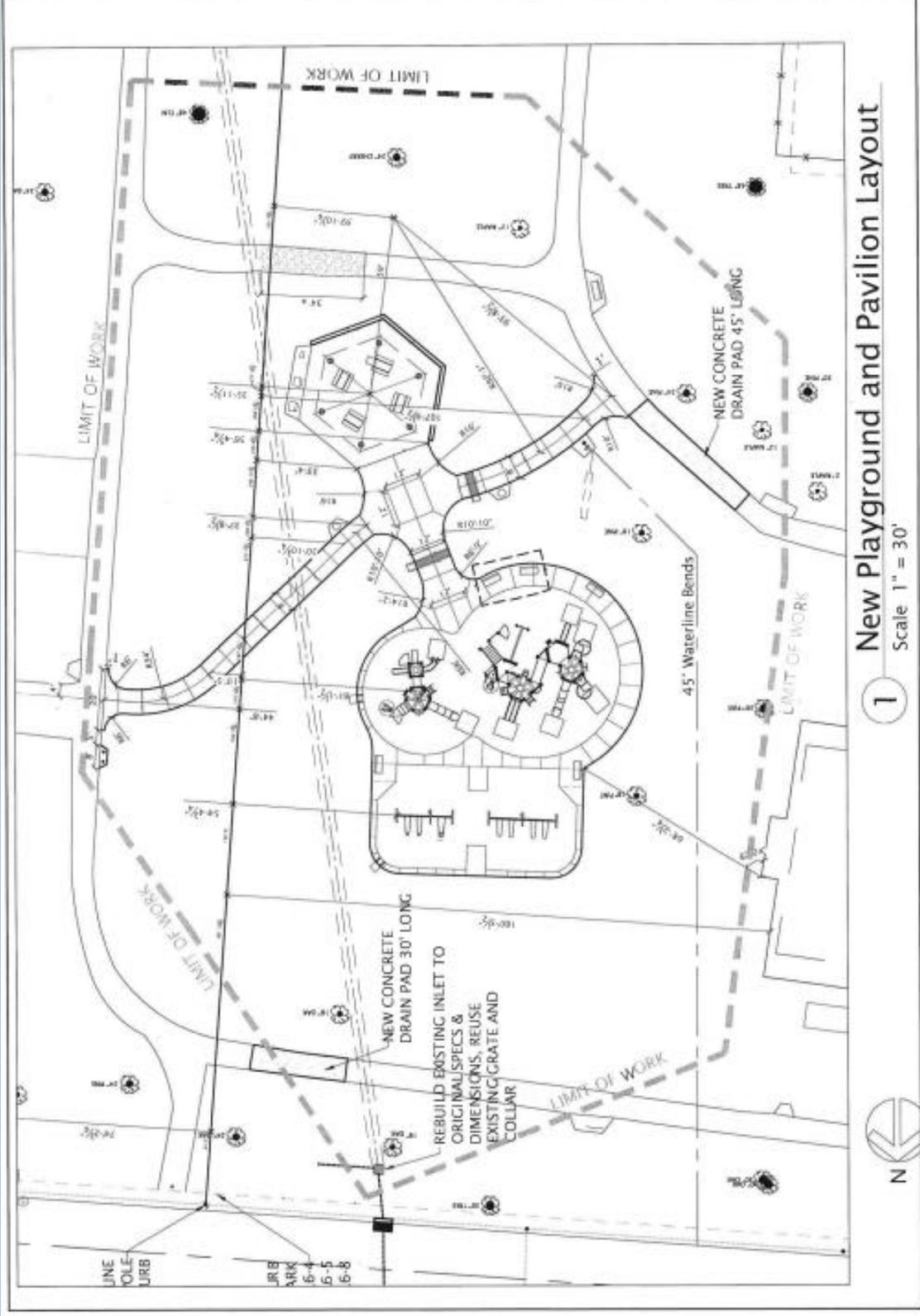
- Chandler Park Improvements

Completed Accelerate

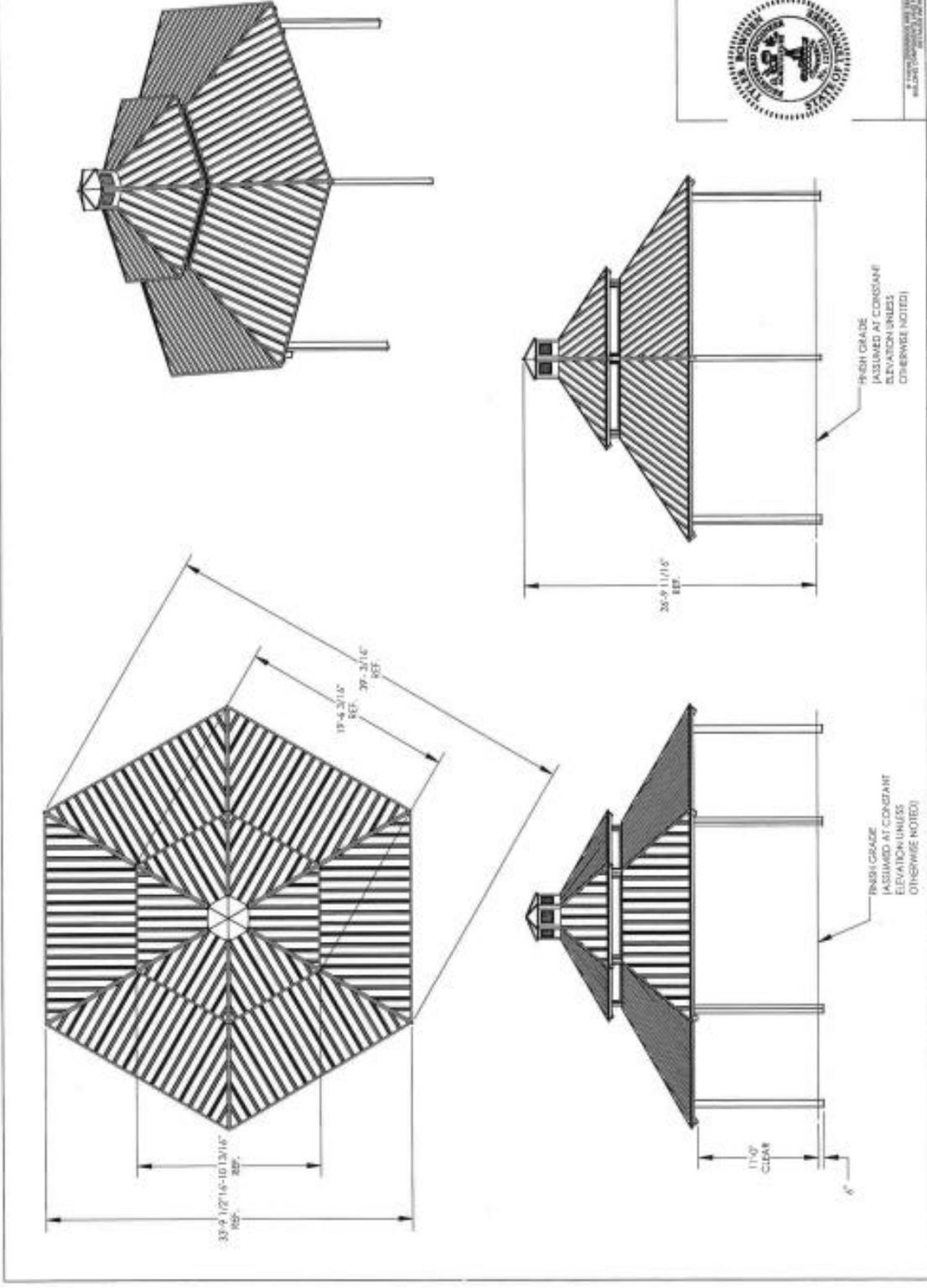
- McFarland CC Splashpad
- Orange Mound CC Improvements
- Fox Meadow Golf Clubhouse Landscaping
- Wilson Park Playground Resurfacing
- Peabody Park Playground Resurfacing
- O'Brien Park Playground Resurfacing
- Glenview CC Improvements
- Orange Mound Park Splashpad



Chandler Park New Pavilion & Playground



Chandler Park New Pavilion & Playground



Sea Isle Fitness

Sea Isle Fitness

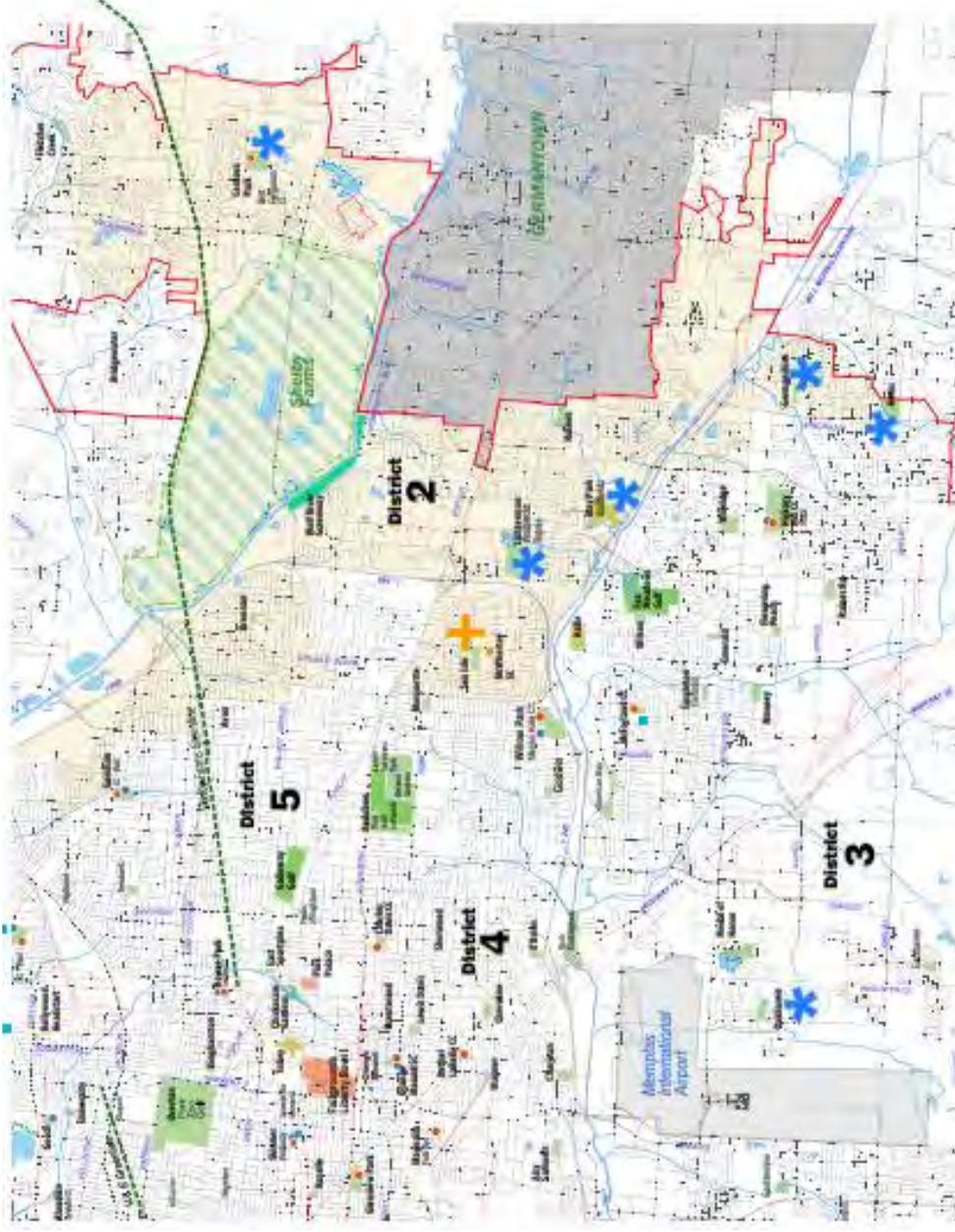
Phase 1

District 2

Renovation of existing outdoor fitness area at Sea Isle Park, with new equipment. ADA improvements, addition of new concrete accessible paths, and planting of new trees.

Estimated Cost	Dedicated Funds	Funds Needed
\$355,000*	\$275,000*	\$80,000

*Includes \$150,000 of grant funds previously used to procure new equipment.



Memphis Parks CIP & Accelerate Projects Status District 2

- +** **Active CIP**
Sea Isle Fitness Zone Improvements
- *** **Active Accelerate**
None
- *** **Completed Accelerate**
Lichterman Nature Center Adventure Playground
May Park Soccer Field Renovations
Germanshire Park Playground Resurfacing
Hero's Park Playground Resurfacing
Bert Ferguson CC Improvements



City of Memphis
Paul Young, Mayor

Aquatics Facilities

Aquatics Facilities District 6

Funds
Needed
\$25,391.08

Parks will work alongside General Services in utilizing these funds to replace aging fixtures and complete aesthetic improvements in bathhouses at District 6 pools including: Pine Hill, Riverview, and Westwood.



Memphis Parks CIP & Accelerate Projects Status District 6

Active CIP

- Mitchell CC Playground
- Mitchell CC Door Replacement
- Charles Powell CC Door Replacement
- Pine Hill CC Door Replacement
- Westwood Pool Repairs

Active Accelerate

- MLK Pavilion Repairs
- Alicy - Warren Park Pavilion Replacement
- Pine Hill Playground Replacement

Completed Accelerate

- Ruth Tate 5C Improvements
- Charles Powell CC Improvements
- Mitchell CC Improvements
- Pine Hill CC Improvements
- Riverview Pool Improvements
- Texas Courts Park Playground Resurfacing
- Trigg West Park Playground Resurfacing
- MLK East Park Playground Resurfacing
- MLK West Park Playground Resurfacing
- Alonzo Weaver Park Playground Resurfacing
- Alicy - Warren Park Playground Resurfacing

City of
Memphis
Paul Young, Mayor



RESOLUTION TO ALLOCATE \$2,000 IN FY26 COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council Community Grant Program aims to award funding to eligible nonprofits that provide programming to address Poverty, Youth Development, Crime and Drug Prevention, and Economic Development in the City of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, for FY26, the Council Community Grant Program will award \$2.6 million in grants, with each Councilmember having the opportunity to allocate \$200,000 in funding; and

WHEREAS, to allow all funds to be allocated and disbursed in advance of the end-of-year reporting deadline, each Councilmember is asked to allocate their grant funds to organizations that are eligible to receive funds during the FY26 grant cycle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Councilman JB Smiley, Jr. wishes to allocate \$2,000 of his remaining FY26 grant funding to the following organizations:

ORGANIZATION NAME	AMOUNT
Inspiration 4 the Generation	\$1,000
The Black Pearl Nail Academy	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$2,000

Sponsor:
JB Smiley, Jr.



A RESOLUTION to allocate, appropriate and transfer a sum total of Four Million Four Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$4,454,265.86) in Accelerate Memphis funds from various projects to the acquisition of the Engineering Sign Shop (project 30A1401) and the Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) and Program Management contract for Accelerate Memphis (30A1001).

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council previously approved the Two Hundred Million Dollar Accelerate Memphis Program which has an established deadline of June 30, 2026, by which all Accelerate Memphis funds must be expended to avoid financial penalties; and

WHEREAS, a sum total of Four Million Four Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$4,454,265.86) in Accelerate Memphis funds is currently available across seven (7) Accelerate individual projects which have been or will be completed or closed without using all appropriated funds; and

WHEREAS, there is a balance of \$316,330.14 in Contract Construction available in the Engr-Chelsea Greenline (GAA3101), which was included in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of \$2,500,000.00, but which project is still in the design phase and cannot be constructed by the expenditure deadline, and the above balance is available after the other Accelerate funds from the Engr-Chelsea Greenline project are transferred by separate resolution to ten (10) Memphis Parks projects which can be completed by the expenditure deadline; and

WHEREAS, there is \$3,633,000.00 in Contract Construction available in the Broadband Internet Infrastruct (30A4000), which was included in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of \$7,500,000.00, the majority of which has been or will be spent on eligible project costs, but it has been determined that \$3,633,000.00 in Accelerate funds will be leftover; and

WHEREAS, there is \$180,650.00 in Contract Construction available in Oakhaven Sidewalks (30A2902), which was included in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of \$605,650.00 but which project has been completed by Engineering using a separate funding source; and

WHEREAS, there is \$37,233.91 in Architecture & Engineering and \$16,137.09 in Contract Construction available in McLemore Streetscapes (PKA6201), which was included in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of \$1,319,350.74, the majority of which has been or will be spent on eligible project costs, but it has been determined that \$53,371.00 in Accelerate funds will be left over; and

WHEREAS, there is \$25,621.91 in Contract Construction available in Group A (30A2801), which was included for Memphis 3.0 projects in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of \$11,325,149.26, the majority of which has been or will be spent on eligible project costs, but it has been determined that \$25,621.91 in Accelerate funds will be left over; and

WHEREAS, there is \$22,292.81 available in Contract Construction in Public Art (30A1002), which was included in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of \$537,906.00, the majority of which has been or will be spent on eligible project costs, but it has been determined that \$22,292.81 in Accelerate funds will be leftover; and

WHEREAS, there is \$223,000.00 in Contract Construction available in Southeast Memphis Improve (GAA4301), which was included in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of \$223,000.00, and which project will not be pursued; and

WHEREAS, there is now a need to redistribute this sum total of Four Million Four Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$4,454,265.86) in Accelerate Memphis funds to two (2) identified Engineering projects which can be completed by the expenditure deadline; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for \$4,100,000.00 in Land Acquisition under Sign Shop Relocations (30A4101), to exercise a contract option to purchase the current location of the Engineering Sign Shop, at 1555 Three Place in Whitehaven, the facility having been custom built for the City, before the acquisition option expires on January 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for \$354,265.86 in Architecture & Engineering under Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) and Program Management contract (30A1001), which funds the City's contract with Malasri Engineering to provide Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) services, in addition to program management, for roadway projects under the Accelerate Memphis program, which may include repaving, sidewalk repair, and traffic signal improvements as needed, including at the following general locations which are being actively pursued: National Street in Highland Heights; Mississippi Blvd; South Parkway from Lamar Ave to S Bellevue; and Wesley Dr, Faronia Rd and Finley Rd in Whitehaven; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to amend the FY2026 Budget and to allocate, appropriate and transfer \$316,330.14 in Contract Construction from the Engr-Chelsea Greenline (GAA3101), and \$37,935.72 from the Broadband Internet Infrastruct (30A4000), resulting in the transfer of a sum total of \$354,265.86 in Architecture & Engineering to the Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) and Program Management Contract (30A1001), to ensure the continued provision of said services, and therefore the timely completion by the Accelerate expenditure deadline, for multiple ongoing roadway projects under the Accelerate Memphis program; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to amend the FY2026 Budget and to allocate, appropriate and transfer: (a) \$3,595,064.28 from Broadband Internet Infrastruct, project # 30A4000, (b) \$180,650.00 in Contract Construction in Oakhaven Sidewalks, project # 30A2902; (c) \$37,233.91 in Architecture & Engineering and \$16,137.09 in Contract Construction in McLemore Streetscapes, project # PKA6201; (d) \$25,621.91 in Contract Construction in Group A, project # 30A2801; (e) \$22,292.81 in Contract Construction in Public Art, project # 30A1002; and (f) \$223,000.00 in Contract Construction in Southeast Memphis Improve, project # GAA4301; resulting in a sum total of \$4,100,000.00 to be moved from Contract Construction to Land Acquisition and transferred to Sign Shop Relocations, project # 30A4101, to acquire the current location of the Engineering Sign Shop before the lease option to do so expires on January 31, 2026; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis that the FY26 Budget is amended and that \$354,265.86 in Architecture & Engineering is hereby allocated, appropriated and transferred to the Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) and Program Management Contract, project # 30A1001, from the Engr-Chelsea Greerline, project # GAA3101, in the amount of \$316,330.14 in Contract Construction, and from Broadband Internet Infrastruct, project # 30A4000, in the amount of \$37,935.72 in FFE; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis that \$4,100,000.00 in Land Acquisition is hereby allocated, appropriated and transferred to Sign Shop Relocations, project # 30A4101, from project # 30A4000 Broadband Internet Infrastruct, project # 30A2902 Oakhaven Sidewalks, project # PKA6201 McLemore Streetscapes, project # 30A2801 Group A, project # 30A1002 Public Art, project # GAA4301 Southeast Memphis Improve in the amounts listed herein, and further that the FY2026 Budget be amended accordingly for all transfers detailed herein.

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Project Name:	Engr-Chelsea Greenline	Program Management Contract
Project Number:	GAA3101	30A1001
Amount:	\$316,330.14	\$316,330.14
Type:	Contract Construction	Architecture & Engineering
Project Name:	Broadband Internet Infrastruct	Program Management Contract
Project Number:	30A4000	30A1001
Amount:	\$37,935.72	\$37,935.72
Type:	Furniture Fixture & Equipment	Architecture & Engineering

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Project Name:	Broadband Internet Infrastruct	Sign Shop Relocations
Project Number:	30A4000	30A4101
Amount:	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00
Type:	Architecture & Engineering	Land Acquisition
Amount:	\$1,518,000.00	\$1,518,000.00
Type:	Contract Construction	Land Acquisition
Amount:	\$337,064.28	\$337,064.28
Type:	Furniture Fixture & Equipment	Land Acquisition
Amount:	\$240,000.00	\$240,000.00
Type:	Other Cost	Land Acquisition
Project Name:	Oakhaven Sidewalks	Sign Shop Relocations
Project Number:	30A2902	30A4101
Amount:	\$180,650.00	\$180,650.00
Type:	Contract Construction	Land Acquisition
Project Name:	McLemore Streetscape	Sign Shop Relocations
Project Number:	PKA6201	30A4101
Amount:	\$37,233.91	\$37,233.91
Type:	Architecture & Engineering	Land Acquisition
Amount:	\$16,137.09	\$16,137.09
Type:	Contract Construction	Land Acquisition
Project Name:	Group A	Sign Shop Relocations
Project Number:	30A2801	30A4101
Amount:	\$25,621.91	\$25,621.91
Type:	Contract Construction	Land Acquisition
Project Name:	Public Art	Sign Shop Relocations
Project Number:	30A1002	30A4101
Amount:	\$22,292.81	\$22,292.81
Type:	Contract Construction	Land Acquisition
Project Name:	Southeast Memphis Improv	Sign Shop Relocations
Project Number:	GAA4301	30A4101
Amount:	\$223,000.00	\$223,000.00
Type:	Contract Construction	Land Acquisition

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy
and document was adopted, approved by the
Council of the City of Memphis in regular
session on

Date JAN 13 2026

Valerie C. Sripes
Deputy Comptroller-Council Records



A RESOLUTION to allocate, appropriate and transfer a sum total of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) to Chelsea Avenue Greenline (project # PW01255) with \$944,424.00 from Memphis Parks Capital Reserve (PK25104) and \$1,555,576.00 from Southeastern Industrial Rd Imp (PW01279) to replace Accelerate Memphis funds removed due to the expenditure deadline.

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council did approve the transfer of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) in Accelerate Memphis funds from Engr-Chelsea Greenline (GAA3101) due to the inability to complete construction of the greenline by the Accelerate Memphis spending deadline of June 30, 2026, by which all Accelerate Memphis funds must be expended to avoid financial penalties; and

WHEREAS, there is still a desire to pursue the construction of the Chelsea Greenline which is currently in the design phase with construction projected to start during the summer of 2026, and the Administration wishes to replace the removed Accelerate Memphis funds with other available funds; and

WHEREAS, most of the Accelerate Memphis funds transferred out of Engr-Chelsea Greenline (GAA3101), were transferred to Parks projects which Memphis Parks had originally planned to pursue using funds from Memphis Parks Capital Reserve (PK25104), and there is over \$944,424.00 in CIP funds in this capital reserve available for transfer to the Chelsea Greenline project; and

WHEREAS, the Chelsea Avenue Greenline will now be a Public Works project, re-named from Engr-Chelsea Greenline (GAA3101) to Chelsea Avenue Greenline (PW01255) and there is \$1,555,576.00 in CIP funds available in the Southeastern Industrial Rd Improvement project (PW01279), which funds are no longer necessary for the successful completion of said project; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to amend the FY2026 CIP Budget and to allocate, appropriate and transfer a sum total of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) in Contract Construction chargeable to GO Bonds to Chelsea Avenue Greenline (PW01255) from Memphis Parks Capital Reserve (PK25104) in the amount of \$944,424.00 and from Southeastern Industrial Rd Imp (PW01279) in the amount of \$1,555,576.00 for the purpose of constructing the Chelsea Greenline as designed, including grading, paving, painting, landscaping, and installing traffic control and other safety measures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis to amend the FY2026 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Budget by hereby allocating, appropriating, and

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transferring Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) in Contract Construction, chargeable to GO Bonds, to Chelsea Avenue Greenline (PW01255) from Memphis Parks Capital Reserve (PK25104) in the amount of \$944,424.00 and from Southeastern Industrial Rd Imp (PW01279) in the amount of \$1,555,576.00.

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Project Name:	Memphis Parks Capital Reserve	Chelsea Avenue Greenline
Project Number:	PK25104	PW01255
Amount:	\$944,424.00	\$944,424.00
Type:	Contract Construction	Contract Construction
Project Name:	Southeastern Industrial Rd Imp	Chelsea Avenue Greenline
Project Number:	30A4000	PW01255
Amount:	\$1,555,576.00	\$1,555,576.00
Type:	Contract Construction	Contract Construction

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A RESOLUTION to allocate, appropriate and transfer Two Million One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$2,183,689.86) in Accelerate Memphis funds from Engr-Chelsea Greenline, project # GAA3101, to ten (10) Memphis Parks projects which can be completed by the Accelerate Memphis expenditure deadline of June 30, 2026.

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council previously approved the Two Hundred Million Dollar Accelerate Memphis Program which has an established deadline of June 30, 2026, by which all Accelerate Memphis funds must be expended to avoid financial penalties; and

WHEREAS, the Engr-Chelsea Greenline, project # GAA3101, was included in the Accelerate Memphis Program with an appropriated budget of Two and Half Million Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) in Architecture & Engineering, but this project is still in the design phase and construction cannot be completed by the aforementioned expenditure deadline; and

WHEREAS, there is now a need to redistribute the Two and a Half Million Dollars previously appropriated to the Engr-Chelsea Greenline, project # GAA3101, to various projects which can be completed by the expenditure deadline, while the Engr-Chelsea Greenline project will be reconstituted as a Public Works project; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to transfer and appropriate a sum total of \$2,183,669.86 from the Engr-Chelsea Greenline, project # GAA3101, to ten (10) Memphis Parks projects that can be completed by the Accelerate Memphis expenditure deadline, namely: Mitchell Community Center FY23, project # CC23101; Glenview Community Center FY23, project # CC23102; Gooch Park FY23, project # CC23103; Frayser Raleigh SC Remediation, project # TBD; CC Door Replacements, project # TBD; Galloway GC Repairs, project # TBD; Tobey Park Paving, project # TBD; the Sea Isle Fitness installation, project # TBD; Field Sports Lighting , project # PKTBD; and the Westwood Pool Repairs, project #PK04020; and

WHEREAS, the projects to install three (3) new pavilions have already begun with Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) funding and the pavilions themselves have been procured and delivered, but \$250,000.00 in additional funds are needed to install the pavilion in Gooch Park, \$381,108.00 in additional funds are needed to install the pavilion and construct an adjacent parking area in Glenview Park, and \$175,000.00 in additional funds are needed to install the pavilion and previously procured playground equipment at Mitchell Community Center; and

WHEREAS, to ensure healthy and safe environments at our community centers, \$207,093.30 is needed for environmental remediation and associated cosmetic improvements

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at Frayser Raleigh Senior Center, project # TBD, and \$150,000.00 is needed to replace the front doors at various community centers, CC Door Replacements, project # TBD; and

WHEREAS, to ensure good repair of park assets so they may be optimally used and maintained, \$186,190.00 is needed for Tobey Park Paving, project # TBD, to rebuild the partially collapsed roadbed of the primary access road in Tobey Park and to repave said road and the parking lot of the Memphis Parks office \$279,278.56 is needed for Galloway GC Repairs, project # TBD, to repair the irrigation system and remove old, diseased, or dying trees throughout the Galloway Gold Course, at a total estimated project cost of \$600,000.00; and

WHEREAS, \$150,000.00 is needed for Sea Isle Fitness, project # TBD, in conjunction with a grant provided by Shelby County, Tennessee, to install outdoor fitness equipment in Sea Isle Park; and

WHEREAS, \$105,000.00 is needed for Field Sports Lighting, project # PKTBD, to install sports lighting at seven (7) mini pitches – two (2) in Gaisman Park, two (2) in Bert Ferguson Park, one (1) in Willow Park, one (1) in Cunningham Park, and one (1) in Audubon Park; and

WHEREAS, the onset of repairs at Westwood Pool revealed the need to replace the entire gutter system that runs around the edge of the pool which will require \$300,000.00 in additional funds to be transferred to Westwood Pool Repairs, project # PK04020, to ensure the Westwood Pool is brought into optimum condition before the summer swim season; and

WHEREAS, it is now therefore necessary to allocate, appropriate and transfer Two Million One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$2,183,689.86) in Accelerate Memphis funds for Architecture & Engineering from the Engr-Chelsea Greenline, project # GAA3101, to: (a) Mitchell Community Center FY23, project # CC23101, in the amount of \$175,000.00 in Contract Construction for the installation of a pavilion and playground at Mitchell Community Center; (b) Glenview Community Center FY23, project # CC23102, in the amount of \$381,108.00 in Contract Construction to install the pavilion and construct a small adjacent parking area in Glenview Park; (c) Gooch Park FY23, project # CC23103, in the amount of \$250,000.00 in Contract Construction to install the pavilion in Gooch Park; (d) Frayser Raleigh SC Remediation, project # TBD, in the amount of \$207,093.30 in Contract Construction for environmental remediation and associated cosmetic improvements; (e) CC Door Replacements, project # TBD, in the amount of \$150,000.00 in Contract Construction to replace the front doors at multiple community centers to increase safety; (f) Galloway GC Repairs, project # TBD, in the amount of \$279,278.56 in Contract Construction to repair the irrigation system and remove trees at the Galloway Golf Course; (g) Tobey Park Paving, project # TBD, in the amount of \$186,190.00 in Contract Construction to rebuild the roadbed of

the primary access road and pave the City-owned parking areas within Tobey Park including the parking lot of the Memphis Parks office; (h) Sea Isle Fitness installation, project # TBD, in the amount of \$150,000.00 in Contract Construction to procure and install outdoor fitness equipment in Sea Isle Park; (i) Field Sports Lighting, project # PKTBD, in the amount of \$105,000.00 in Contract Construction to light seven mini-pitches in various parks; and (j) Westwood Pool Repairs, project #PK04020, in the amount of \$300,000.00 in Contract Construction to address the unanticipated need to replace the entire gutter system around the pool; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis that it hereby approves the allocation, appropriation and transfer of Two Million One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$2,183,689.86) in Accelerate Memphis funds from the Engr-Chelsea Greenline, project # GAA3101, to the projects and in the amounts detailed above, and to revise the FY2026 CIP Budget accordingly.

FROM

Project Title: Engr-Chelsea Greenline
Project Number: GAA3101
Amount: \$2,183,689.86
Type: Architecture & Engineering

TO

Project Title: Mitchell Community Center FY23
Project Number: CC23101
Amount: \$175,000.00
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Glenview Community Center FY23
Project Number: CC23102
Amount: \$381,108.00
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Gooch Park FY23
Project Number: CC23103
Amount: \$250,000.00
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Frayser Raleigh SC Remediation
Project Number: TBD
Amount: \$207,093.30
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: CC Door Replacements
Project Number: TBD
Amount: \$150,000.00
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Galloway GC Repairs
Project Number: TBD
Amount: \$279,278.56
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Tobey Park Paving
Project Number: TBD
Amount: \$186,190.00
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Sea Isle Fitness
Project Number: TBD
Amount: \$150,000.00
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Field Sports Lighting
Project Number: PKTBD
Amount: \$105,000.00
Type: Contract Construction

Project Title: Westwood Pool Repairs
Project Number: PK04020
Amount: \$300,000.00
Type: Contract Construction

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A RESOLUTION to allocate, appropriate and transfer a sum total of Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Dollars and Forty-Four Cents (\$730,100.44) from Memphis Parks Capital Reserve, project # PK25104, to four (4) Memphis Parks Projects.

WHEREAS, the Memphis Parks Capital Reserve fund, project # PK25104, is composed of Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) funds that were left over from various past Memphis Parks capital projects as they were completed, with the unused funds administratively transferred into Cap Reserve until specific needs could be identified; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for \$316,330.14 in Contract Construction to fully fund the repair of the irrigation system and installation of new trees at the Galloway Golf Course, project # TBD Galloway GC Repairs, which has an estimated total project cost of \$600,000.00, with the rest of the needed funding (\$279,278.56) to be transferred from Accelerate Memphis projects by separate resolution; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for an additional \$63,079.00 in Architecture & Engineering for the Audubon Splash Pad, project PK04021, because the project design costs came in higher than anticipated; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for an additional \$46,300.00 in Architecture & Engineering for the Raleigh Civic Center, project CC22101, because the project design costs came in higher than anticipated; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for \$300,000.00 in Contract Construction for Miracle League Ballfield, project # TBD, to fulfill the Administration's pledge to provide financial support to the Memphis Miracle League, a local 501(c)(3) nonprofit, which will provide all other funding to build the following in Tobey Park in the heart of the city: the area's first fully inclusive baseball field for children and adults with disabilities, which field will also be able to accommodate soccer, kickball and other sports; the area's largest inclusive playground where children with disabilities and special needs can play on equipment specially designed for them but accessible to all children; and an area with pavilions where families and friends can gather to celebrate the uniqueness of each individual; and

WHEREAS, it is now therefore necessary to allocate, appropriate and transfer a sum total of Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Dollars and Forty-Four Cents (\$730,100.44) from Memphis Parks Capital Reserve, project # PK25104, to: (a) Galloway GC Repairs, project # TBD, in the amount of \$316,330.14 in Contract Construction to fully fund the repair of the irrigation system throughout the golf course and the removal of diseased or dying trees; (b) Audubon Splash Pad, project PK04021, in the amount of \$63,079.00 in Architecture &

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Engineering, to fully fund the design work, which design costs came in higher than anticipated, for this splash pad which is already funded in the FY26 CIP Budget; (c) Raleigh Civic Center, project CC22101, in the amount of \$46,300.00 in Architecture & Engineering for the design work, which design costs came in higher than anticipated, for this signage project which is already funded in the FY26 CIP Budget; and (d) Miracle League Ballfield, project # TBD, in the amount of \$300,000.00 in Contract Construction, to support the construction of an inclusive ballfield and playground for children with disabilities, with all other funding for the project to be provided by a local nonprofit, the Memphis Miracle League; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis that it hereby approves the allocation, appropriation and transfer of a sum total of Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Dollars and Forty-Four Cents (\$730,100.44) from Memphis Parks Capital Reserve, project # PK25104, to the projects and in the amounts detailed above, and to revise the FY2026 CIP Budget accordingly.

FROM

Project Title:	Memphis Parks Cap Reserve
Project Number:	PK25104
Amount:	\$76,201.68
Type:	Architecture & Engineering
Amount:	\$653,898.76
Type:	Contract Construction

TO

Project Title:	Audubon Splash Pad
Project Number:	PK04021
Amount:	\$63,079.00
Type:	Architecture & Engineering
Project Title:	Raleigh Civic Center
Project Number:	CC22101
Amount:	\$46,300.00
Type:	Architecture & Engineering
Project Title:	Galloway GC Repairs
Project Number:	TBD
Amount:	\$320,721.44
Type:	Contract Construction
Project Title:	Miracle League Ballfield
Project Number:	TBD
Amount:	\$300,000.00
Type:	Contract Construction

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A RESOLUTION to allocate, appropriate and transfer a sum total of Three Million Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$3,920,000.00) from the Leftwich Tennis Ctr expansion, project # PK03005 Award 11516, to the Audubon Golf Clubhouse, project # PK24107, and to the design of Jesse Turner Park improvements, project # PK-TBD, which includes Bellevue Tennis Center Phase 2.

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council, on May 18, 2021, approved the use of \$10,000,000.00 in Commercial Paper proceeds for the Leftwich Tennis Ctr expansion (PK03005) to "bridge the difference in timing between revenue (donations), the City's potential funding gap, and to fund initial expenditures in order to facilitate onset of project construction (contractor)" under the stipulation that debt service for said Commercial Paper proceeds "be provided by repayments by the funds provided from donors contributed to the University of Memphis Foundation over a five year period ... to facilitate reimbursement of pre-funding provided by the City of Memphis;" and

WHEREAS, over \$5.1 million dollars have thus far been received by the City of Memphis from the University of Memphis Foundation from such fulfilled donor pledges, under Award 11516, and the receipt of such donations continues; and

WHEREAS, the Administration wishes to request a one-time exemption to the Memphis City Council's prior stipulation regarding use of the received donations for debt service and to allow the use a portion of the received donations to provide initial funding for the replacement of the Audubon Golf Clubhouse, a project supported by the University of Memphis and which will benefit the Leftwich Tennis Center by providing additional event space when it hosts tournaments and competitions, and for the design of Jesse Turner Park Improvements, which includes Phase 2 of improvements to the Bellevue Tennis Center; and

WHEREAS, allowing this exemption will eliminate the need for the City to issue new Commercial Paper and/or General Obligation Bonds to fund said projects; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for \$3,500,000.00 to fund the first part of the City's pledge of \$7,000,000.00 to the Audubon Golf Clubhouse project (PK-T24107) in which a new, larger clubhouse will be built in a new location on Cherry Road, in closer proximity to the Leftwich Tennis Center and as planned in the recent renovation of the golf course, with the design of the new clubhouse having already been funded; and

WHEREAS, the new clubhouse will include event space, a restaurant, the Memphis Golf Hall of Fame, and programming space for youth golf development as the Permanent Home for the First Tee Tennessee / Memphis, providing a significant increase and improvement in the space available for Memphis youth to master the sport of golf; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for \$420,000.00 to fund the design for improvements to Jesse Turner Park (PK-TBD), which will take a holistic approach to the 16.9-acre site that includes and focuses on the

broader athletics and community integration concept, envisioning a comprehensive home base for LeMoyne-Owen College athletics and a significant enhancement for public recreation through a reimagined Jesse Turner Park; and

WHEREAS, the current vision for Jesse Turner Park will be refined through the design process and continued input from the community and LeMoyne-Owen College, but it currently includes: NCAA-regulation baseball or softball fields with stands, dugouts, and supporting infrastructure, a revitalized playground, walking trail, and pavilion that preserve or relocate existing assets; and enhanced parking and site safety to support visitors, buses, and event operations; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to Jesse Turner Park will include Phase 2 of the Bellevue Tennis Center improvements, the first phase of which will be bid out for construction in January 2026, which is expected to include expansion of the Tennis Center with two new NCAA outdoor courts, two indoor courts, and an expansion to clubhouse with locker rooms, coach facilities, and enhanced amenities; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to amend the FY2026 Budget and to allocate, appropriate and transfer a sum total of Three Million Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$3,920,000.00) in Contract Construction from the Leftwich Tennis Ctr expansion, project # PK03005 Award 11516, to the Audubon Golf Clubhouse, project #24107, in the amount of \$3,500,000.00 in Contract Construction and to the Jesse Turner Park Improvements, project #PK-TBD, in the amount of \$420,000.00 in Architecture & Engineering for the purposes listed above; and

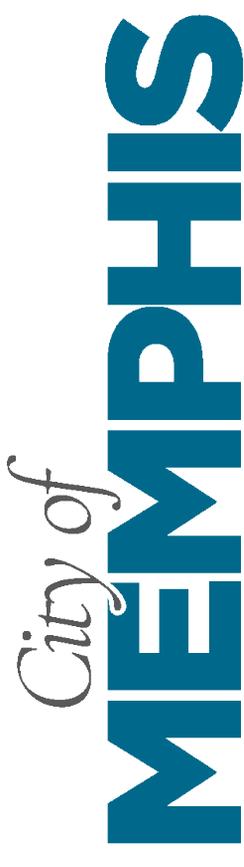
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis to amend the FY2026 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Budget by hereby allocating, appropriating, and transferring a sum total of Three Million Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$3,920,000.00) in Contract Construction from the Leftwich Tennis Ctr expansion, project # PK03005 Award 11516, to the Audubon Golf Clubhouse, project #24107, in the amount of \$3,500,000.00 in Contract Construction and to Jesse Turner Park Improvements, project #PK-TBD, in the amount of \$420,000.00 in Architecture & Engineering.

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Project Name:	Leftwich Tennis Ctr Expansion	Audubon Clubhouse Expansion
Project Number:	PK03005, Award 11516	PK-T24107
Amount:	\$3,500,000.00	\$3,500,000.00
Type:	Contract Construction	Contract Construction
Project Name:	Leftwich Tennis Ctr Expansion	Jesse Turner Park Improvements
Project Number:	30A4000	PK-TBD
Amount:	\$420,000.00	\$420,000.00
Type:	Contract Construction	Architecture & Engineering

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UPDATE on 5 Strategic Budget Resolutions to Advance Key Priorities

Budget Committee

March 24, 2026

Updated information is highlighted in yellow

#1 Using Accelerate Dollars for Sign Shop Acquisition & Program Management

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#1 OVERVIEW

- **Total Amount in Resolution:** \$4,454,265.86
- **Division:** Engineering, Director Manny Belen
- **Impacted Council Districts:** 3,4,5,6 and Super Districts 8 & 9
- **Source of Funds:** Accelerate Memphis – has spending deadline of June 30, 2026
- **Projects Contributing Funds:**
 1. Engr-Chelsea Greenline
 2. Broadband Internet Infrastructure
 3. Oakhaven Sidewalks
 4. McLemore Streetscape
 5. Group A
 6. Public Art
 7. Southeast Memphis Improvements
- **Did transfer create a deficit in funding source?** NO, the full scope of the various Accelerate Memphis projects has been or will be completed without needing the transferred funds
- **Expected Variance from Original Transfer:** None at this time
- **Associated Contracts:**
 - Malasri Engineering #39135 (with 4 amendments) provided
 - Sign Shop sale contract – waiting on executed copy
- **Anticipated Issues/Risks:** None at this time

#1 PROJECT LIST & UPDATES

Project Name	Project #	Amount from Resolution	Additional Funds & Their Source	Full Budget	Encumbered/Committed	Spent to Date	Unencumbered Balance
ENG Sign Shop	30A4101	\$4,100,000.00	\$89,750.20 Accelerate Memphis	\$4,189,750.20	\$137,578.87	\$4,052,171.33	\$0
CEI & PM Contract for Activating Memphis 3.0	30A1001	\$354,265.86	\$545,379.69 Accelerate Memphis	\$899,645.55	\$324,778.50	\$574,867.05	\$0
TOTALS		\$4,454,265.86	\$635,129.89	\$5,089,395.75	\$462,357.37	\$4,627,038.38	\$0

UPDATES FOR MARCH:

- **SIGN SHOP:** remaining funds have been encumbered onto FFE contract
- **CEI & PM CONTRACT:** additional invoices have been paid
 - Malasri is overseeing 3 Anchor projects still active & 1 new item:
 - Group D – contractors are completing final paperwork
 - Highland Heights project is receiving final punch work
 - Group A – 2 resurfacing projects being added – scheduled to be substantially complete by May 31
 - NEW – oversight of removal & reinstallation of traffic calming items on Riverside Drive for May events
 - Also performing final warranty inspections at multiple project locations

• **Total Monthly Spend: \$164,750.90**



#2 The Re-Funded Chelsea Greenline project

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#2 OVERVIEW

- **Total Amount in Resolution:** \$2,500,000.00
- **Division:** Engineering, Director Manny Belen
- **Impacted Council Districts:** 7 and Super Districts 8
- **Source of Funds:** CIP – no explicit expenditure deadline
- **Projects Contributing Funds:** Memphis Parks Capital Reserve and Southeastern Industrial Road Improvements (a Public Works project)
- **Did transfer create a deficit in funding source? NO.**
 - The Cap Reserve funds can be deployed as needed, and many projects that Parks had intended to fund from Cap Reserve were funded from Accelerate Memphis instead.
 - The full scope of the Southeastern Industrial Road Improvements project has been or will be completed without needing the transferred funds
- **Projects Receiving Funds:** Chelsea Greenline – for Contract Construction
- **Associated Contracts:** None at this time
- **Anticipated Issues/Risks:** None at this time
- **Expected Variance from Original Transfer:** Additional funds for construction to be included in FY27 CIP Budget

#2 PROJECT LIST & UPDATES

Project Name	Project #	Amount from Resolution	Additional Funds & Their Sources	Full Project Budget	Anticipated Start Date	Anticipated End Date
Chelsea Greenline	PW01255	\$2,500,000.00	\$1,023,000.00 – Grant \$ 761,780.00 - CIP	\$4,284,780.00	Bid in Q2 FY27	TBD

Project Name	Project Status	Procurement Status	Full Project Budget	Spent to Date	Encumbered/ Committed	Unencumbered Balance
Chelsea Greenline	In design	Bid in Q2 FY27	\$4,284,780.00	\$1,579,160.72	\$56,450.00	\$2,649,169.28

UPDATES FOR MARCH:

- None

**#3 Accelerate Memphis funds
from Chelsea Greenline to
10 Parks Projects**

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#3 OVERVIEW

- **Total Amount in Resolution:** \$2,183,689.86
- **Division:** Memphis Parks, Director Justice Bolden
- **Impacted Council Districts:** 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 & 7 and Super Districts 8 & 9
- **Source of Funds:** Accelerate Memphis – has spending deadline of June 30, 2026
- **Project Contributing Funds:** Engr-Chelsea Greenline
- **Did transfer create a deficit in funding source?** NO. CIP replacement funding was identified for Chelsea Greenline.
- **Expected Variance from Original Transfer:** To be determined
- **ON NEXT SLIDES:** Projects receiving funds, Purpose of expenditures, Anticipated issues/risks, Associated contracts

#3 PROJECT LIST

Project Name	Project #	Amount from Resolution	Additional Funds & Their Sources	Full Project Budget	Anticipated Start Date	Anticipated End Date
Glenview Park Pavilion	CC23102	\$381,108.00	\$71,791.00 CIP	\$452,899.00	March 1 st	June 1 st
Gooch Park Pavilion	CC23103	\$250,000.00	\$26,208.00 CIP	\$276,208.00	April 1 st	June 30 th
Mitchell Community Center Pavilion	CC23101	\$175,000.00	\$271,809.00 CIP	\$446,809.00	April 1 st	June 30 th
Frayser-Raleigh Senior Center	PK02007	\$207,093.30	None N/A	\$207,093.30	Complete	Complete
Replacement of Community Center Doors	PK01037	\$150,000.00	None N/A	\$150,000.00	April 14 th	June 30 th
Paving at Tobey Park	PK07133	\$186,190.00	None N/A	\$186,190.00	Complete	Complete
Sea Isle Fitness	PK07134	\$150,000.00	\$125,000.00 Grant	\$275,000.00	April 14 th	June 30 th
Sports Lighting for 7 Mini-Pitches	PK05008	\$105,000.00	\$35,000.00 Grant	\$140,000.00	April 14th	June 30 th
Westwood Pool Repairs	PK04020	\$300,000.00	\$984,019.80 CIP	\$1,284,019.80	Started	June 30 th
Galloway Golf Course Repairs (also under Resolution #4 – Cap Reserve)	PK06019	\$279,278.56	\$320,721.44 CIP	\$600,000.00	Started	June 30 th
TOTALS		\$2,183,669.86	\$1,834,549.24	\$4,018,219.10		

#3 PROJECT TRACKING

Project Name	Project Status	Procurement Status	Full Project Budget	Encumbered/Committed	Spent to Date	Unencumbered Balance
Glenview Park Pavilion	Construction	Contract Executed	\$452,899.00	\$452,899.00	\$0	\$0
Gooch Park Pavilion	Bidding	Bids due 4/1/26	\$276,208.00	\$0	\$0	\$276,208.00
Mitchell Community Center Pavilion	Bidding	Bids due 4/1/26	\$446,809.00	\$0	\$0	\$446,809.00
Frayser-Raleigh Senior Center	COMPLETED	Completed	\$207,093.30	\$0	\$207,093.30	\$0
Replacement of Community Center Doors	Design Phase	Bid Date TBD	\$150,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$150,000.00
Paving at Tobey Park	COMPLETED	WO on contract	\$186,190.00	\$0	\$186,190.00	\$0
Sea Isle Fitness	Design Phase	FFE executed; Construction bid early March	\$275,000.00	\$105,093.61	\$0	\$169,906.39
Sports Lighting for 7 Mini-Pitches	Pricing	WO on contract	\$140,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$140,000.00
Westwood Pool Repairs	Construction	Change order needed	\$1,284,019.80	\$576,414.00	\$24,210.00	\$683,395.80
Galloway Golf Course Repairs (also under Resolution #4 – Cap Reserve)	Construction	Completed; vendors have NTP	\$600,000.00	\$203,900.00	\$218,639.47	\$177,460.53
TOTALS			\$4,018,219.10	\$1,338,306.61	\$636,132.77	\$2,043,779.72



#3 UPDATES

UPDATES FOR MARCH:

- **Glenview Pavilion:** Construction has been executed and Notice to Proceed issued; all funds encumbered
- **Gooch & Mitchell Pavilions:** Bidding is currently open (packaged together) – DUE 4/1/26
- **Community Center Doors:** Negotiating pricing under open glass & door contract (Binswanger).
- **Tobey Park Paving:** Primary work is complete; all funds paid out
- **Sea Isle Fitness:** FFE scheduled to arrive 5/28/26. Bidding for installation scheduled to begin mid-April.
- **Sports Lighting for Mini Pitches:** Negotiating pricing under open electrical contract
- **Westwood Pool Repairs:** Received additional \$148,519.80 by resolution approved on Feb 24, 2026. Work is underway and on schedule.
- **Galloway:** Materials have been procured. Installation labor was delayed by weather; anticipated to take 3 weeks.
- **Total Monthly Spend:** \$404,829.47

#4 Using Parks Capital

Reserve funds for

4 Parks projects

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#4 OVERVIEW & PROJECT LIST

- **Total Amount in Resolution:** \$730,100.44
- **Division:** Memphis Parks, Director Justice Bolden
- **Impacted Council Districts:** 1 & 5 and Super District 9
- **Source of Funds:** CIP – no explicit expenditure deadline
- **Project Contributing Funds:** Memphis Parks Capital Reserves
- **Did transfer create a deficit in funding source?** NO, the Cap Reserve funds can be deployed as needed

Projects Receiving Funds	Project #	Amount from Resolution	Additional Funds & Their Sources	Full Budget	Anticipated Start Date	Anticipated End Date
Galloway Golf Course Repairs (also under Resolution #3-Accelerate)	PK06019	\$320,721.44	\$279,278.56 Accelerate Memphis	\$600,000.00	Started	June 30 th
Audubon Splash Pad - A&E only	PK04021	\$63,079.00	None	\$63,079.00	Started	March 30 th
Raleigh Civic Center - A&E only	CC22101	\$46,300.00	\$2,800 CIP	\$49,100.00	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
Miracle League accessible ballfield (City's contribution to larger non-profit project)	PK05007	\$300,000.00	<i>Nonprofit partner will provide additional funds, but they will not run through city budget</i>	\$300,000.00	TBD	TBD
TOTALS		\$730,100.44		\$1,012,179.00		

#4 UPDATES

Project Name	Project Status	Procurement Status	Full Budget	Encumbered/ Committed	Spent to Date	Unencumbered Balance
Galloway Golf Course Repairs (also under Resolution #1-Accelerate)	Construction	Complete; vendor has NTP	\$600,000.00	\$203,900.00	\$218,639.47	\$177,460.53
Audubon Splash Pad for A&E	Complete	Complete; design is finished	\$63,079.00	\$52,757.28	\$10,321.72	\$0
Raleigh Civic Center for A&E	Complete	Complete; design is finished	\$49,100.00	\$11,814.98	\$24,160.02	\$13,125.00
Miracle League accessible ballfield (only City's contribution to NP project)	Procurement	Negotiating MOU	\$300,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$300,000.00
TOTALS			\$1,012,179.00	\$268,472.26	\$253,121.21	\$490,585.53

UPDATES FOR MARCH:

- **Galloway:** Materials have been procured. Installation labor was delayed by weather; anticipated to take 3 weeks.
- **Audubon Splash Pad:** Design is complete. Invoice payments are being processed but are not yet reflected in Manager reports. Construction was not included under the resolution. (FYI, bids are due 4/8/26)
- **Raleigh Civic Center:** Design is complete. Invoice payments are being processed but are not yet reflected in Manager reports. Construction was not included under the resolution.
- **Total Monthly Spend:** \$253,121.21. Without duplicated Galloway spending, monthly total is \$34,481.74



**#5 Audubon Golf Clubhouse
and Jesse Turner Park &
Bellevue Tennis Center**

0% SPENT

#5 OVERVIEW & PROJECT LIST

- **Total Amount in Resolution:** \$3,920,000.00
- **Division:** Memphis Parks, Director Justice Bolden
- **Impacted Council Districts:** 4 & 5 and Super Districts 8 & 9
- **Source of Funds:** CIP – no explicit expenditure deadline
- **Project Contributing Funds:** Leftwich Tennis Center Expansion, specifically donations meant to reimburse City
- **Did transfer create a deficit in funding source?** NO, the full scope of the Leftwich project has been completed
- **Timeline:** Both projects are expected to complete in FY28
- **Projects Receiving Funds:**

Project Name	Project #	Amount from Resolution	Additional Funds & Their Sources	Full Project Budget	Timeline
Audubon Golf Clubhouse - CONSTRUCTION	PK24107	\$3,500,000.00	City has pledged another \$3.5 M in CIP in FY27 (plus nonprofit contribution)	\$7,000,000.00	Approximately 16-18 months for construction
Bellevue Tennis Center Phase 2 & Jesse Turner Park improvements	PK03007	\$420,000.00	Additional City funds will be needed for construction once design is complete	\$420,000.00	6 – 9 months for design; construction start late FY27
TOTALS				\$7,420,000.00	

#5 UPDATES

Project Name	Project Status	Procurement Status	Full Project Budget	Spent to Date	Encumbered/ Committed	Unencumbered Balance
Audubon Golf Clubhouse - CONSTRUCTION	Design Complete; Procurement Phase	Working on deal structure & authorizing resolution	\$7,000,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$7,000,000.00
Bellevue Tennis Center Phase 2 & Jesse Turner Park improvements - DESIGN	Design Kickoff	Amending design contract	\$420,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$420,000.00
TOTALS			\$7,420,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$7,420,000.00

UPDATES FOR MARCH:

- As we finish the Accelerate Memphis projects over the next few months, we'll be able to devote more energy to driving these projects forward.
- **Audubon Golf Clubhouse:** Finalizing deal terms with Tennessee Golf Foundation (TGF) to be followed by Council resolution to allow MOU
- **Bellevue / Jesse Turner:** design for Tennis Center Phase 2 and for Master Plan for Jesse Turner Park
 - Initial stakeholder meetings completed; Design has begun; Amendment sent to Daily Design Group for signature
 - Funding for construction has been requested for FY27

SUMMARY

**Accelerate Memphis total of
\$6,637,935.72 is**

74.25% SPENT

Compared to 68.2% last month

SUMMARY of Funds in Resolutions (not including additional project funds)

Label	Program	Spending Deadline	Resolution Amount	Encumbered/ Committed	Spent	Unencumbered Balance
Various AM → Sign Shop & CEI contract	*Accelerate	June 30	\$4,454,265.86	\$137,578.87	\$4,316,686.99	\$0
Re-fund Chelsea GL	CIP	N/A	\$2,500,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000.00
Chelsea → 10 Parks	*Accelerate	June 30	\$2,183,669.86	\$441,747.09	\$611,922.77	\$1,130,000.00
Parks Cap Reserve → 4 Parks	CIP	N/A	\$730,100.44	\$220,178.21	\$22,136.70	\$487,785.53
Audubon Clubhouse & J Turner Park / Bellevue Tennis Improvements	CIP (Leftwich donations / CIP reimbursement)	N/A	\$3,920,000.00	\$0	\$0	\$3,920,000.00
TOTALS			\$13,788,036.16	\$799,504.17	\$4,950,746.46	\$8,037,785.53

Collectively, the funds contemplated by these 5 resolutions is 35.9% Spent



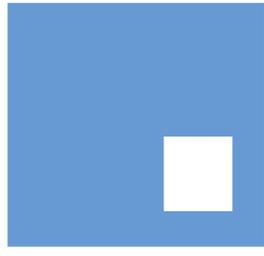
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PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE CRIME & TRAFFIC DATA

Chief Cerelyn "CJ" Davis

March 2026

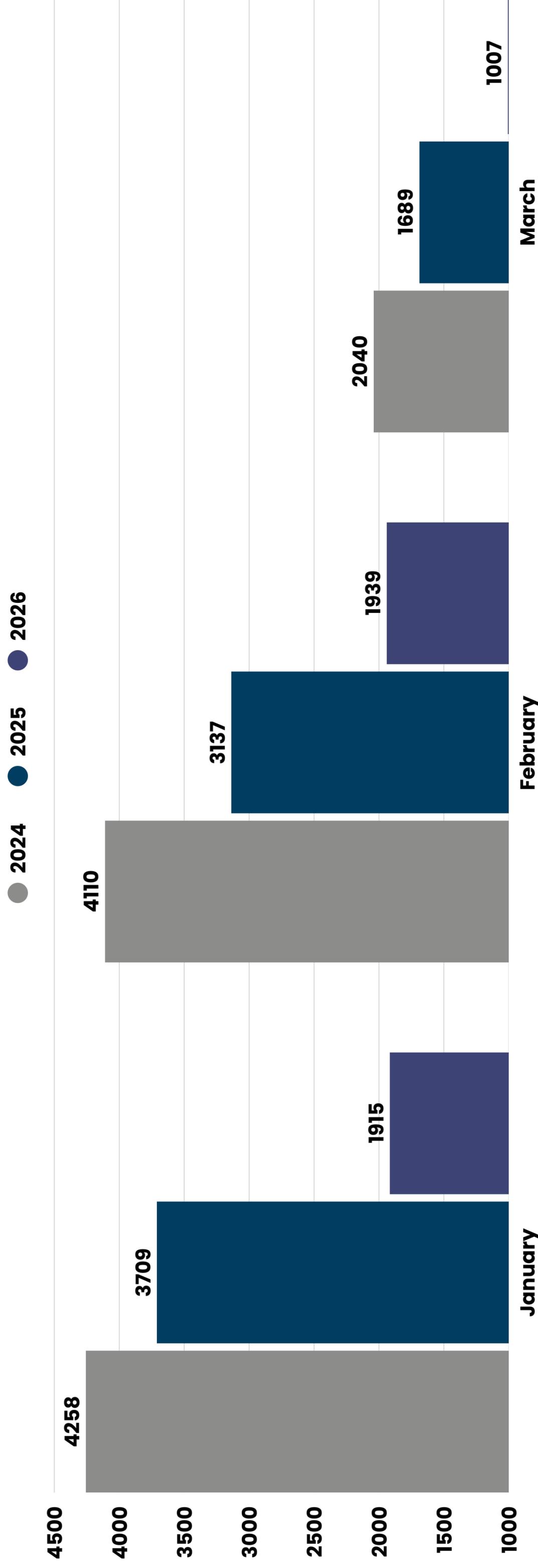




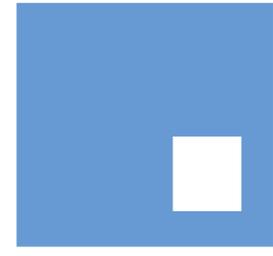
Part I Crime Overview

Year-over-Year Comparison (2024-2026)

Three years of Part I crime data show a consistent downward trend, driven by focused strategies, advanced technology, and strong collaboration—sustaining crime reduction into March.



Crime Data as of March 15, 2026

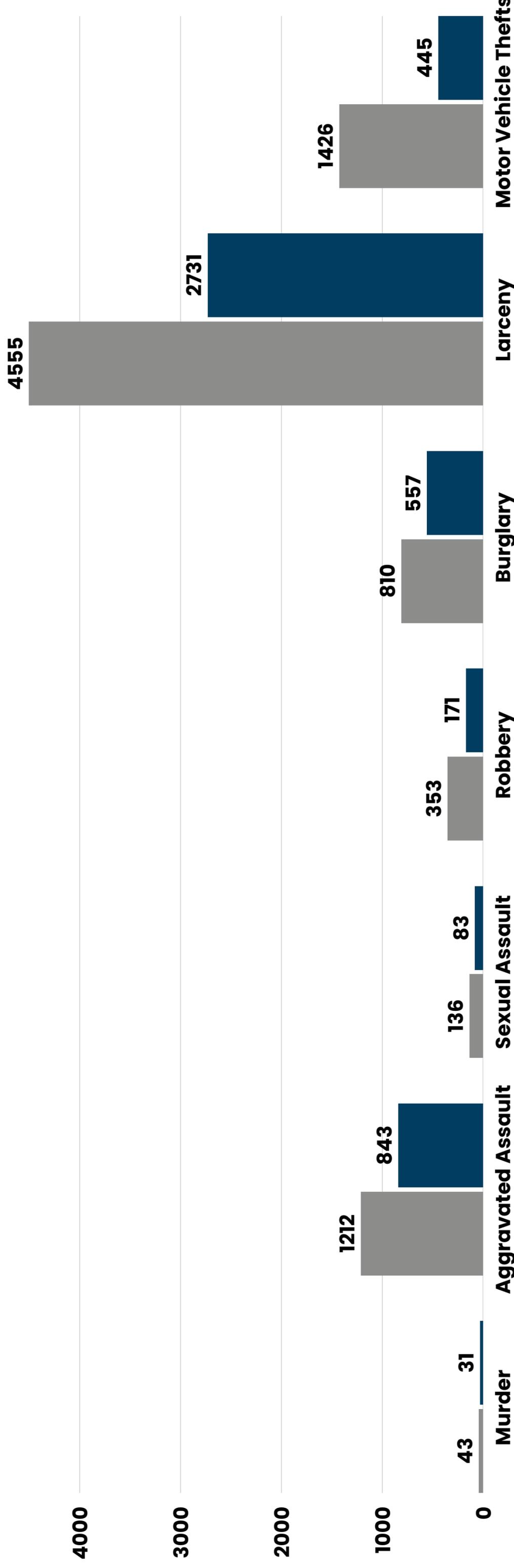


Crime Trends

Two-Year Comparison Through March 15, 2026 (2025-2026)

Across Memphis, every major crime category is down.

● 2025 ● 2026



Year-to-Date Part I Categories Crime Data as of March 15, 2026

Citywide Crime Declines by Precinct

2026 Year-to-Date Part I Crime Reduction



Austin Peay Station
Down **41.40%**



Raines Station
Down **36.20%**



Applying Farms Station
Down **50.44%**



Mt. Moriah Station
Down **47.10%**



Airways Station
Down **45.42%**



Crump Station
Down **37.44%**



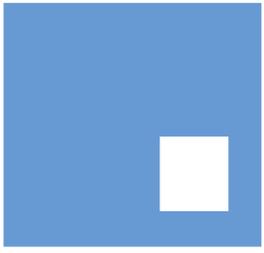
North Main Station
Down **40.44%**



Tillman Station
Down **41.90%**

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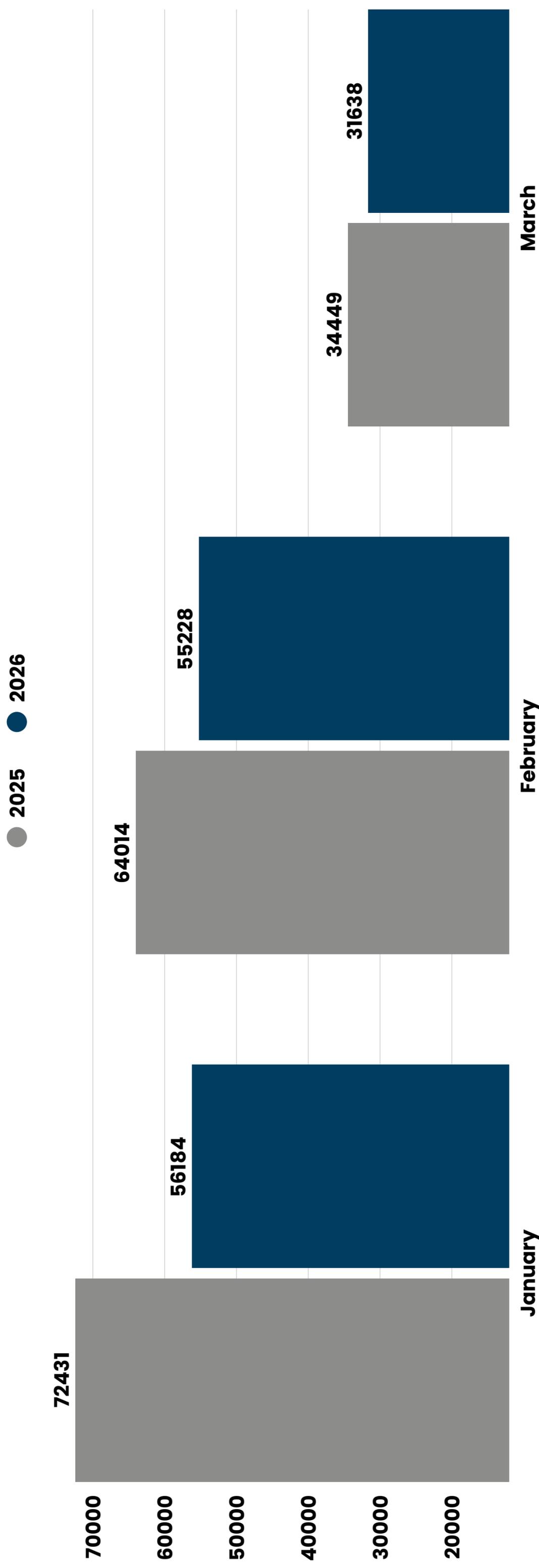
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Calls for Service

Year-End Comparison (2025-2026)

Year-to-date data from 2025 and 2026 shows that calls for service continue to trend downward.

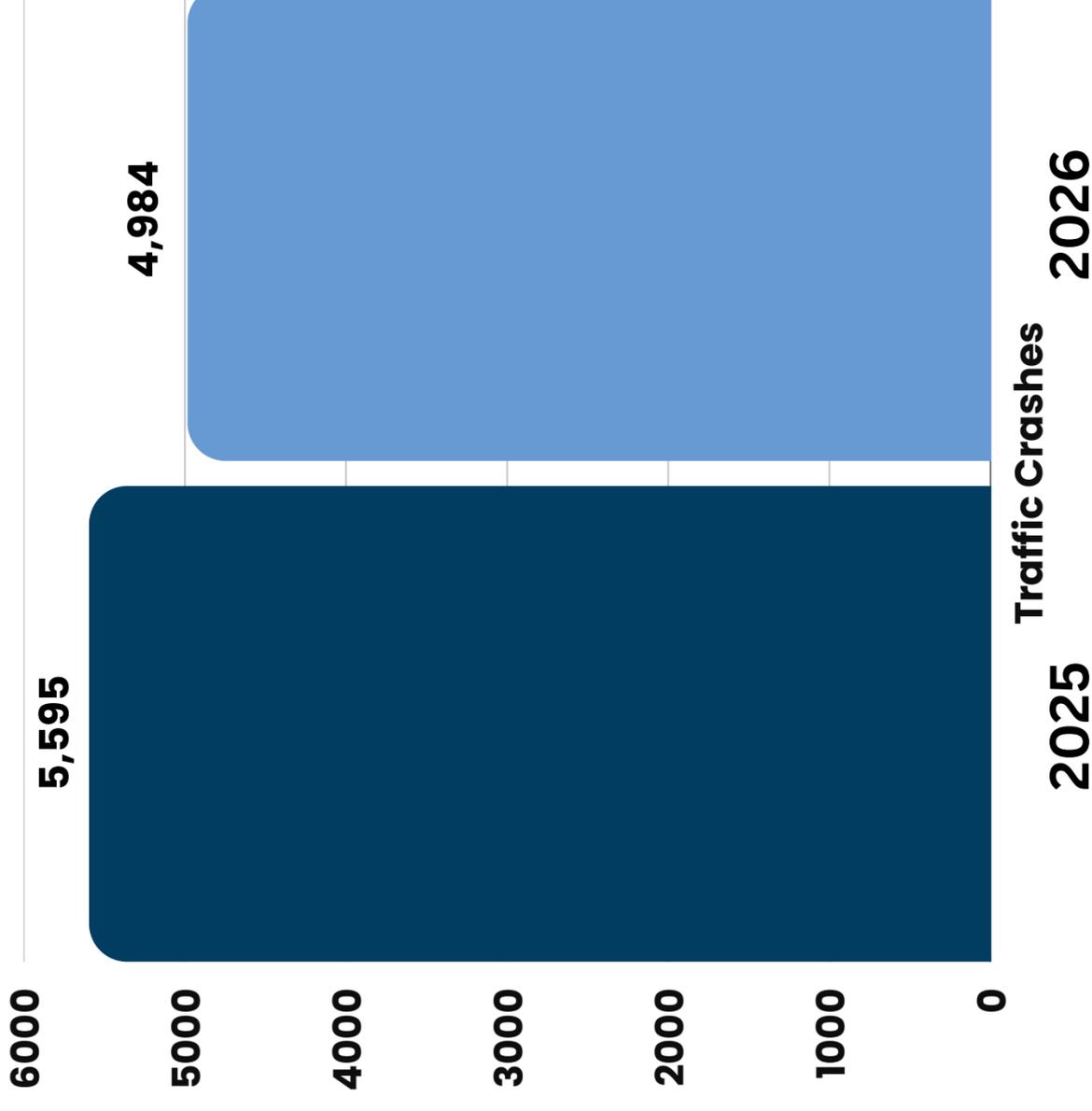


As of March 15, 2026

Traffic Crashes

Year-to-Date Comparison (2025-2026)

As of March 15, 2026, Memphis continues to make progress in roadway safety, with traffic crashes falling from 5,595 during this time in 2025 to 4,984 in 2026 – a decrease of approximately 10.92% year over year.



2024–2025 Pedestrian Accident: Fatal, Injury, and Non-Injury

Two year comparison of pedestrian accidents in Memphis, TN, highlighting total incidents and category-specific outcomes for 2024 and 2025.

2024 Totals: 430		
Categories	Number of Accidents	Percentage Breakdown
Fatal	49	11.4
Injury Only	343	79.8
Non-Injury	38	8.8

2024 Top 5 Corridors

1. Union Avenue: 26
2. Poplar Avenue: 23
3. Danny Thomas Boulevard/Thomas Street: 22
4. Winchester Road: 18
5. Lamar Avenue: 18

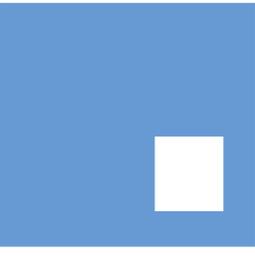
***by frequency of incidents

2025 Totals: 406		
Categories	Number of Accidents	Percentage Breakdown
Fatal	49	12.1
Injury Only	321	79.1
Non-Injury	37	9.1

2025 Top 5 Corridors

1. Winchester Road: 23
2. Poplar Avenue: 22
3. Lamar Avenue: 20
4. Union Avenue: 15
5. Elvis Presley Boulevard: 15

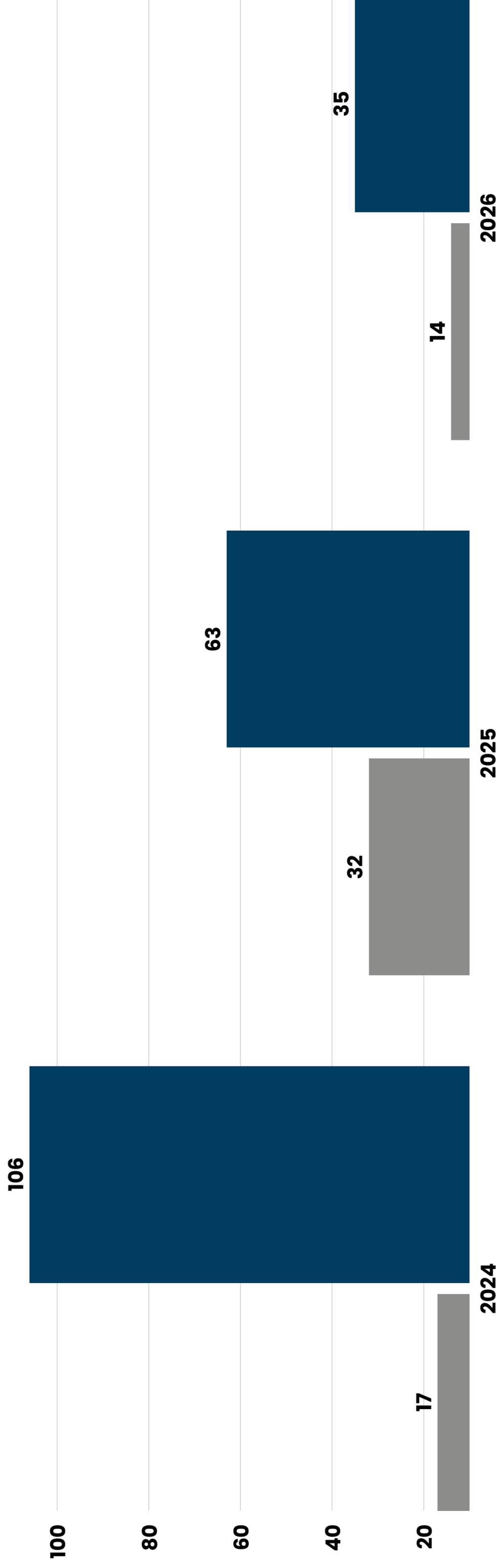
***by frequency of incidents



Overdose Trends in Memphis

Year-to-date figures reflect a three-year low in fatal overdoses and a continued downward trend in non-fatal overdoses, demonstrating continued progress in reducing overdose incidents.

● Fatal ● Non-Fatal



As of March 15, 2026

Memphis Police Department

THANK YOU!

Chief Cerelyn "CJ" Davis

March 2026

RESOLUTION ADDRESSING PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS RELATED TO SHORT-TERM RENTAL PROPERTIES AND REQUESTING THE MAYOR'S ADMINISTRATION TO COLLABORATE WITH AN ORGANIZATION TO STRENGTHEN ENFORCEMENT OF THE CITY'S SHORT-TERM RENTAL ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council is committed to promoting the public health, safety, and welfare of residents and visitors in the City of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, the growth of short-term rental properties within the City has provided economic opportunities for property owners and increased lodging options for visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted ordinances regulating short-term rental properties in order to ensure accountability, neighborhood compatibility, and compliance with public safety standards; and

WHEREAS, recent incidents of violence, large unauthorized gatherings, disturbances, and other criminal activity have been reported at certain short-term rental properties, negatively impacting surrounding neighborhoods and placing additional strain on law enforcement and emergency services; and

WHEREAS, such incidents undermine quality of life for residents, erode neighborhood stability, damage the reputation of the City as a safe destination and tarnish the credibility of short-term rental platforms; and

WHEREAS, effective enforcement of the City's short-term rental ordinance is essential to deter noncompliance, prevent recurring nuisance activity, and ensure that operators adhere to applicable safety, occupancy, and permitting requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Mayor of Memphis has administrative oversight of the divisions responsible for permitting short-term rental properties and enforcing the short-term rental ordinance; and

WHEREAS, collaboration with a qualified nonprofit organization, industry association, community-based organization, or other experienced entity may provide additional resources and compliance monitoring tools to enhance enforcement efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Memphis City Council hereby expresses its concern regarding incidents of violence and criminal activity occurring at certain short-term rental properties within the City; reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that short-term rental operations comply with all applicable municipal ordinances, including permitting requirements, occupancy limits, and nuisance provisions; and requests that the Mayor's Administration identify and engage with a qualified organization—such as a community safety nonprofit, research institution, industry compliance monitoring service, or neighborhood coalition—to assist in strengthening monitoring and enforcement mechanisms; developing strategies to deter repeat

offenders; enhancing communication with neighborhood associations and residents; and recommending any legislative or regulatory amendments necessary to improve compliance;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Administration is requested to report back to the Council within ninety (90) days of the adoption of this Resolution with recommendations, proposed partnerships, and, if necessary, proposed amendments to the City's short-term rental ordinance.

Sponsor

Philip Spinoso, Jr.

Chairwoman

Jana Swearengen-Washington

WHEREAS, when worthy circumstances arise, the Memphis City Council has seen fit to name certain public roads to honor citizens who have served this community and **Frank James Banks** is a citizen worthy of such recognition; and

WHEREAS, **Frank James Banks** is a native and lifelong Memphian whose professional and civic contributions have had a lasting and transformative impact on the City of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, **Mr. Banks** is a pioneering African-American entrepreneur who co-founded Banks, Finley, White & Co. in 1973, one of the first regional African-American-owned accounting firms in the South, which has grown into one of the largest minority-owned CPA firms in the nation and has trained and mentored generations of professionals; and

WHEREAS, **Frank James Banks** played a critical role in revitalizing downtown Memphis through his co-founding of the New Memphis Development Corporation and the redevelopment of the Downtowner Motor Inn into the Benchmark Hotel in 1983, one of the first Black-owned franchised hotels in the United States, creating jobs and demonstrating the viability of minority ownership in the hospitality industry; and

WHEREAS, **Mr. Banks'** additional investments in hospitality and entertainment, including hotel development along Third Street and the Memphis Sounds Lounge, contributed to economic growth, job creation, and cultural enrichment in downtown Memphis; and

WHEREAS, **Frank James Banks** was instrumental in advancing minority economic development through the founding of the Tennessee Valley Center for Minority Economic Development and the West Tennessee Venture Capital Corporation, expanding access to capital and supporting minority and women owned businesses throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of **Mr. Banks** extended into community banking through the establishment of Memphis First Community Bank, providing financial access to underserved communities, and into civic service through his work with numerous organizations, including his role in Congressman Harold Ford Sr.'s historic 1974 campaign and service on multiple boards and committees; and

WHEREAS, **Frank James Banks** demonstrated a deep commitment to education and cultural preservation through the creation of the Memphis African American Historical Calendar, which reached tens of thousands of students and enriched the understanding of local Black history; and

WHEREAS, **Frank James Banks'** lifelong dedication to Memphis, including his long-term residence in the South Midtown community, reflects his unwavering commitment to strengthening neighborhoods and expanding opportunity for all citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Memphis City Council deems it fitting and proper that the City of Memphis honor the legacy of **Frank James Banks** by commemorating his contributions in a lasting and visible manner, and South Parkway East between Oaklawn and South Barksdale in the City of Memphis, be declared and designated

“Frank James Banks Parkway”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Engineer is requested to affix suitable signs designating this public road in honor of **Frank James Banks** for his commitment and contributions to the City of Memphis.

Adopted: March 24, 2026

Councilman Ford Canale

March 2, 2026

The Honorable Janika White, Chairwoman
Personnel and Government Affairs
City Hall - Room 514
Memphis, TN 38103

Dear Chairwoman White:

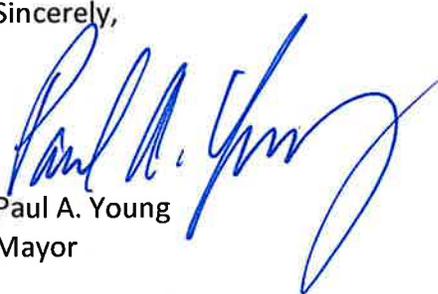
Subject to Council approval, I hereby recommend that:

Kyle Veazey

be appointed to the Memphis Convention Center Commission with a term expiration date of July 1, 2026.

I have attached biographical information.

Sincerely,


Paul A. Young
Mayor

Enclosure
cc: Council Members

MEMPHIS CONVENTION CENTER COMMISSION
7 Member Board
2 Ex-Officio Members
2 Year Term

Purpose:

The Board shall operate, manage, control, regulate, and care for the convention center, but without compensation.

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Lee A. Jackson	07-01-24
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2026 Council Liaison: Jana Swearengen-Washington

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January 20, 2026

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Memphis, TN 38103

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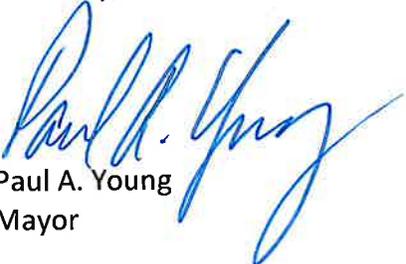
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**JANA SWEARENGEN-
WASHINGTON**
CHAIRWOMAN, MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL
DISTRICT 4

March 24, 2026

Councilwoman Janika White
Chairwoman, Personnel, Governmental Affairs, and Annexations Committee
125 N Main St, 5th Floor
Memphis, TN 38103

Dear Councilwoman White,

Subject to the approval of the Memphis City Council, it is my recommendation that:

Summer Eggert-Banat

be appointed to the Urban Arts Commission's Public Art Oversight Committee.

Regards,

Jana Swearingen-Washington
Chairwoman

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT HOUSE BILL 298/SENATE BILL 242 “HOMES NOT HEDGE FUNDS ACT” TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN BUSINESS ENTITIES FROM PURCHASING MORE THAN 100 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES IN CERTAIN COUNTIES INCLUDING SHELBY COUNTY

WHEREAS, having a safe, stable, and affordable place to live is one of the most basic needs for individuals and families in Memphis and is essential for strong neighborhoods and a healthy community; and

WHEREAS, owning a home is one of the main ways families build long-term financial stability, pass down wealth to future generations, and stay rooted in their communities; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, a growing number of single-family homes in Memphis and Shelby County have been purchased by large companies that own many properties and operate them as rental housing; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 Senate Bill 242 also known as the “Homes Not Hedge Funds Act” was introduced by Senate Charlane Oliver; and

WHEREAS proposed Tennessee legislation would limit large corporate investors from owning more than 100 single-family homes in populous counties, including Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, neighborhoods are often stronger and more stable when more homes are occupied by their residents, leading to increased community involvement, better property upkeep, and stronger connections; and

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council seeks to protect housing opportunities for current residents and ensure that future generations of Memphians have a fair chance to achieve homeownership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Memphis City Council supports House Bill 298/Senate Bill 242 “Homes Not Hedge Funds Act” to prohibit certain business entities from purchasing more than 100 single-family homes in certain counties including Shelby County.

Sponsor:
Yolanda Cooper-Sutton

Chairwoman:
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SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE NO. 5969

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE VIII, § 2-370 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO ARBITRATION OF LABOR DISPUTES, IMPASSE PROCEDURES AND PRESERVATION OF CHARTER POWERS OF CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Referendum Ordinance No. 2766 authorized a referendum election on the question “Shall the Home Rule Charter of the City of Memphis, Tennessee be amended by including a section relating to ‘Disciplinary Action Against Striking Employees?’”;

WHEREAS, Referendum Ordinance No. 2766 included a separate provision authorizing the Council to set up, by Ordinance, procedures for arbitration of economic issues of municipal labor disputes, but only if there has occurred a deadlock or impasse between the Mayor and City employees on a total economic package and such deadlock or impasse continues for seven (7) consecutive days;

WHEREAS, Referendum Ordinance No. 2766 did not alter the provisions of the Home Rule Charter that prohibits the City Council from interfering with the operation of City administrative departments and employees under the control of the Mayor or from requesting or requiring the Mayor to make contracts with any specific organization; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, § 2-370 of the Code of Ordinances was amended last by Ordinance No. 5639 on March 21, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to amend Article VIII, § 2-370 of the Code of Ordinances to redefine and restate the procedures for arbitration of any deadlock or impasse between the Mayor and City

employees on a total economic package and to clarify the scope of and the limitations on the Council to arbitrate such labor disputes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. *Express Repeal.* Article VIII, Section 2-370 is hereby repealed in its entirety and the following Total Impasse procedures are substituted in lieu thereof:

Section 2. *Definitions.*

As used in this section the following terms shall have the indicated meanings:

Impasse Arbitrator shall mean any person selected by the Council, who is a mediator or arbitrator associated with the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, a Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 31A Neutral preferably with judicial experience or experience as an administrative law judge.

Business day means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday under the laws of Tennessee.

Direct Economic items shall be defined as any economic items that provide to City employees direct economic benefits, such as all compensation for services rendered including but not limited to normal pay, shift premium pay, hazardous premium pay, holiday pay, incentive pay and overtime pay and excluding economic items such as employee's contributions to pension benefits, social security or health insurance, and any other items excluded by the Charter of the City, or other state laws.

Minimum Impasse Information is the minimum information to be included by the City and by each employee bargaining unit in their respective Total Economic Packages as specified in Section 4 of this Ordinance or as may be modified or supplemented from time to time by resolution of the Council before March 1 of any year.

Non-Economic items shall not include economic items as described above.

Total Economic Package shall be defined as the last, best and final offers of the parties regarding the Direct Economic Items as defined herein.

Impasse on Direct Economic Items means that point at which any employee organization declares its Total Economic Package, and that offer is either not captured or insufficiently captured in the Total Economic Package of the City proposed by the Mayor to the City Council in his operating budget for the ensuing fiscal year, which package represents the last best offer of the City.

Section 3. Council's Authority Under Charter to Set up Procedures to Arbitrate Labor Disputes on Economic Issues

Section 3.1. Referendum Ordinance No. 2766 expressly directed the Council to set up, by Ordinance, procedures for the arbitration of economic issues of municipal labor disputes between the City and its employees by the Council or a committee of the Council but did not require or authorize the Council or the Administration to arbitrate labor disputes between the City of Memphis and its employees over non-economic items.

Section 3.2. The Council observes that it is the prerogative of the Mayor under the City's Charter to determine the timing of and procedures pursuant to which the City Administration and City Employee Associations will engage in good faith discussions with the intent of reaching equitable memoranda of understanding regarding employment related matters.

Section 3.3. The Council further observes that then Mayor Richard Hackett issued an executive order on April 19, 1984 that established the policy of the City for the recognition of representatives approved by certain groups of City employees to engage in discussions with the City Administration on behalf of such employees that are intended lead to a memorandum of understanding with the City.

Section 3.4. Since the Hackett 1984 Executive Order, all subsequent Mayors have engaged in discussions each year with employee associations that had been so recognized by the Administration for the purpose of reaching a memorandum of understanding with the City regarding employment-related matters.

Section 3.5. While the employee organizations and the City administration may confer in such manner and at such times as the Mayor and the employee organizations shall mutually determine in an attempt to reach a memorandum of understanding, the provisions of this Impasse Ordinance shall only govern the Minimum Impasse Information to be presented to the Council regarding any dispute or impasse between the City Administration and a employee association over Direct Economic Items, the procedures for arbitration of such disputes as expressly authorized by Referendum Ordinance Nos. 2766 and 3236 and the process for adoption of the City’s budgets by the Council.

Section 4. *Pre-Impasse Procedure*

Section 4.1. The employee organizations and the City administration may confer in such manner and at such times as the Mayor and the employee organizations shall mutually determine in an attempt to reach a memorandum of understanding on any matters that they deem appropriate, except that all discussions concerning Direct Economic Items shall be concluded before the Mayor presents his budgets to the Council in any year.

Section 4.2. To facilitate an expedited resolution of any dispute or impasse over Direct Economic Items for the ensuing fiscal year, the City shall present to all general fund employee bargaining units by March 24 of any year (i) its tentative general fund revenue forecast for the ensuing fiscal year with legal level detail by major categories and projected unrestricted fund balances at the beginning of the ensuing fiscal year, (ii) its tentative proposal for each general fund bargaining unit’s City Division with legal level detail for each major general fund expense category, (iii) in each case a comparison of each detailed entry in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) for the ensuing fiscal year with the corresponding approved budget entries for the current fiscal year and (iv) the City’s projected unrestricted general fund balances as of the end of the ensuing fiscal year that would result from its full year proposals (the “City’s Tentative General Fund Offer”).

Section 4.3. Then, after the City presents its Total General Fund Offer, each general fund employee bargaining unit shall indicate in writing its acceptance of the City’s Total General Fund Offer in its entirety or its final position on each general fund legal level economic item in the City’s Tentative General Fund Offer that it does not accept.

This response of the organization(s) shall be made at least two (2) Business Days before the Mayor presents his budget.

Section 4.4. The City shall present to each enterprise fund employee bargaining unit (“Sewer, Storm Water and Solid Waste) by March 24 of any year (i) its tentative enterprise fund revenue forecast for the ensuing fiscal year with legal level detail by major categories and projected unrestricted enterprise fund balances at the beginning of the ensuing fiscal year and (ii) its tentative proposal for each enterprise fund’s personnel expenditure line item proposed for each bargaining unit’s City Division with legal level detail by major expense category (iii) in each case a comparison of each detailed entry in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) for the ensuing fiscal year with the corresponding approved budget entries for the current fiscal year and (iv) the City’s projected unrestricted applicable enterprise fund balances as of the end of the ensuing fiscal year that would result from its full year proposals (“City’s Tentative Enterprise Fund Offer”).

Section 4.5. Then, after the City presents City’s Tentative Enterprise Fund Offer, each enterprise fund employee bargaining unit shall indicate in writing its acceptance of the City’s Tentative Enterprise Fund Offer in its entirety or its final position on each enterprise fund legal level economic item proposed by the City that it does not accept. This response of an enterprise fund employee bargaining unit shall be made at least two (2) Business Days before the Mayor presents his budget.

Section 4.6. For the purposes of this section AFSCME Main and AFSCME Solid Waste shall each be considered one (1) bargaining unit; unless either bargaining unit elects not to invoke the arbitration process hereunder.

Section 5. Arbitration Procedures for Resolving Impasses over a Total Economic Package

Section 5.1. The Mayor shall present his proposed Budget for the ensuing fiscal year during the first Council Meeting in April of any calendar year, which shall include City’s Final Total General Fund Offer and all the City’s Final Total Enterprise Fund Offers.

Section 5.2. If any employee bargaining unit shall determine that the Final Total Economic Package of the City for employees in such bargaining included in the proposed budget(s) presented by the Mayor to the City Council is not acceptable, such organization(s) may deliver a notice in writing to the Chairman of the City Council not later than 5:00 p.m. Central Time on the third (3rd) Business Date after the Mayor's Budget presentation that such employee bargaining unit elects to invoke arbitration procedures, hereunder, for resolving impasse over the City's Final Total Economic Package between the City and the electing employee bargaining unit ("Impasse Notice").

Section 5.3. A copy of the Final Total Economic Package of the electing employee bargaining unit shall be attached to the Impasse Notice and served on the City. Any bargaining unit that does not elect to invoke impasse hereunder or that fails to make a timely election in the manner required by this ordinance shall be deemed to have waived any right to have the Final Total Economic Package of such bargaining unit considered under the Impasse Arbitration Process. On or before 5:00 p.m. Central Time on the fourth (4th) Business Date after the Mayor's Budget presentation the City shall submit to the Chairman of the City Council a copy of the City's Final Total Economic Package for any employee bargaining unit invoking the impasse procedure.

Section 5.4. Once this impasse resolution procedure has been implemented by notification to the Chairman of the City Council as provided for in subsection 5.1, the Chairman of the Council shall receive written nominations from the City, the Employee Associations and Council members for the appointment of an arbitrator. The Council shall appoint an arbitrator by the tenth (10th) Business Day next following the Mayor's Budget presentation.

Section 5.5. The parties may mutually agree upon some or all items at impasse any time before the commencement of a bargaining unit's arbitration hearing at positions the same or different than their final position. Such mutually agreed upon items will be deemed removed from the Impasse Notice and the Total Economic Package of both parties by notification to the chairperson of the Council and the members of the Impasse Arbitrator.

Section 5.6. Except as provided in subsection 5.5, once this impasse resolution procedure has been implemented by notification of

the chairperson as provided for in subsection 5.1, neither party may alter their final position as defined in subsection 5.2 or discuss, confer or seek the aid of any member of the City Council to gain support or assistance from such member(s) regarding their Total Economic Package. City Council members are strictly prohibited from interfering with the Impasse Arbitration Process once it has been invoked hereunder.

Section 5.7. Each party may submit written documentation to the arbitrator, which shall include the Final Total Economic Package and any other information that such party(s) desires to support their respective positions. Such submissions shall be submitted to the Arbitrator on or before the close of Business on the second Friday in May.

Section 5.8. Based only on the submissions of the parties, the Impasse Arbitrator must make and submit his or her recommendations to the Council on each arbitration proceeding for its consideration, which recommendation shall include the Final Total Economic Package of one of the parties at impasse together with a summary of the Impasse Arbitrator's reasons for its decisions, which shall include at a minimum:

- (A) The Total Economic Package of one of the parties; and
- (B) A side by side comparison of the Total Economic Package selected by the panel with the Total Economic Package not selected by the panel.

The Impasse Arbitrator shall submit his or her recommendations to the Chairman of the City Council with copies to the parties at impasse at least four (4) Business Days before third reading of the Budget Ordinance.

Section 5.9. Any party dissatisfied with the recommendation of the Impasse Arbitrator may request to be heard before the Council makes its final decision. The Council shall provide any party dissatisfied with the recommendation of the Impasse Arbitrator and the opposing party a hearing before the final vote on third reading of the proposed fiscal year operating budget. Each party shall be allowed up to fifteen (15) minutes, or longer at the discretion of the Council, to present their position to full Council before the final vote on the budget ordinance.

Section 5.10. Any such hearings by the Council on the Impasse Arbitrator's recommendations shall be held at least one (1) Business Day before the regular Council meeting during which the proposed fiscal year operating budget ordinance is considered on third reading. Once impasse has been invoked the Council shall schedule and give notice as required by the City's Charter to hold a special meeting for the purpose of conducting hearings on any appeal of the decision of the Impasse Arbitrator and conducting its budget reconciliation discussion, if necessary.

Section 5.11. The Council acts only as the final arbiter of the impasse between the City and the employee bargaining units at impasse under this impasse arbitration procedure. The Council shall make the final decision on each recommendation made by the Impasse Arbitrator by deciding the amount, if any, that would be funded in the City's budgets for the ensuing fiscal year.

Section 5.12. The City Council shall have full discretion to approve or amend all budgets prior to the adoption of a tax rate for the ensuing year including funding, if any, for the Total Economic Packages for any or all of the City's employee bargaining units in such amounts as the Council shall determine is in the best interests of the City. The Council's decision on the recommendation of the Impasse Arbitrator shall be final and effective only to the extent funded by the City Council in a finally adopted budget for the ensuing fiscal year. The City Administration shall modify the Budget Appropriation Ordinance for the ensuing fiscal year to include all Total Economic Items to the extent so approved or amended by the Council and the City Comptroller shall not under any circumstances make any disbursements not specifically provided for in any budget finally approved by the Council.

Section 6. Nonconflicting – Conflicting laws.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that as amended hereby all laws constituting the present Code of Ordinances of the City of Memphis be and the same are hereby continued in full force and effect, and all laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. This ordinance does not alter,

amend, create or abrogate the rights or obligations of any person or entity that may exist under the City Charter or under Tennessee law.

Section 7. Severability.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby severable. If any of these sections, provisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or parts are held to be unconstitutional or void, the remainder of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 8. Effective Date.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date it shall have been passed by the Council, signed by the Chairman of the Council, certified and delivered to the Office of Mayor in writing by the comptroller and become effective as otherwise provided by law.

SPONSOR:

JB Smiley Jr.

JANA SWEARGEN WASHINGTON
Council Chairman

Attest:

Comptroller

CITY OF MEMPHIS

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION REQUIRING AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
PROCUREMENT PRACTICES, CONTRACTOR UTILIZATION, AND WORKFORCE
ALIGNMENT PURSUANT TO THE MEMPHIS HOME RULE CHARTER AND CONDITIONING
CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS ON COMPLIANCE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memphis Home Rule Charter Section 814, which provides that *“all accounts, books, expenditures, obligations, assets and liabilities of all departments... shall be thoroughly audited,”* the City is required to ensure full financial transparency and accountability across all departments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memphis Home Rule Charter Section 226, which affirms that contracts involving public expenditures are subject to advertisement and competitive bidding requirements, the City is obligated to ensure fair, open, and transparent procurement practices; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memphis Home Rule Charter Sections 221 through 228, governing the authority and duties of the City Purchasing Agent, the City establishes a centralized procurement structure to ensure that purchasing activities are conducted in accordance with established procedures and controls; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memphis City Code Section 5-4-8, which provides that no contract involving more than \$50,000 shall be made except after formal advertisement and receipt of bids, the City requires competitive procurement for significant expenditures; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memphis City Code Section 5-4-6, which provides that no contract shall be made without certification by the Comptroller that a definite appropriation exists, all expenditures must be subject to financial oversight and authorization; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memphis Home Rule Charter Sections 176 and 177, governing conflicts of interest and contractual relationships, the City is required to ensure integrity and transparency in vendor and contractor engagements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, as the legislative body responsible for appropriations and fiscal oversight, has a duty to ensure that public funds are expended in compliance with the Charter, City Code, and applicable procurement laws; and

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to ensure that procurement practices within the Information Technology Division remain fully aligned with the Memphis Home Rule Charter, City Code, and established purchasing procedures; and

WHEREAS, a review of procurement processes, contractor utilization, and system selection practices within the Information Technology Division will support transparency, accountability, and informed decision-making related to current and future appropriations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS:

SECTION 1 - REQUIRED INDEPENDENT AUDIT

The City Council hereby requires that an independent audit be conducted of the Information Technology Division's procurement practices, including vendor selection, bidding compliance, contractor utilization, and system alignment with departmental needs.

SECTION 2 - AUDIT SCOPE

The audit shall include, but not be limited to:

- Review of all Information Technology contracts and procurements within the past three (3) fiscal years
- Analysis of compliance with Memphis Home Rule Charter Section 226 and Memphis City Code Section 5-4-8
- Evaluation of adherence to the Purchasing Agent structure pursuant to Memphis Home Rule Charter Sections 221 through 228
- Review of contractor utilization, including comparison to full-time staffing levels
- Identification of any irregular procurement activity or potential conflicts of interest

SECTION 3 - MANDATORY REPORTING

The Administration shall provide the following to the City Council:

- An audit engagement update within thirty (30) days of adoption of this resolution
- Preliminary findings within sixty (60) days
- A final audit report within ninety (90) days

All reports shall be presented to the City Council in a public meeting.

SECTION 4 - APPROPRIATION CONDITION

No new appropriations, contract approvals, or funding allocations related to new Information Technology procurement projects exceeding \$50,000 shall be approved or released until:

1. The audit required by this resolution has been initiated; and
2. The Administration demonstrates compliance with applicable Charter and City Code procurement requirements

Failure to meet the requirements of this section shall constitute sufficient basis for the City Council to defer or deny such appropriations.

This provision shall not apply to emergency procurements as defined by applicable law; however, all such procurements shall be reported to the City Council within ten (10) days.

SECTION 5 - CONTRACTOR UTILIZATION REPORT

The Administration shall submit, within forty-five (45) days of adoption of this resolution, a Contractor Utilization Report including:

- Total number of contractors compared to full-time employees
- Cost analysis of contractor versus employee utilization
- Justification for contractor engagements
- A plan for workforce alignment and optimization

SECTION 6 - PROCUREMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

All future Information Technology procurement requests submitted to the City Council shall include a written certification that such procurement:

- Complies with Memphis Home Rule Charter Section 226
- Complies with Memphis City Code Section 5-4-8
- Has been reviewed and processed through the City Purchasing Agent pursuant to Memphis Home Rule Charter Sections 221 through 228

SECTION 7 - NON-COMPLIANCE AND OVERSIGHT

Failure to comply with the requirements of this resolution may result in:

- Withholding or deferral of future Information Technology-related appropriations

- Additional City Council oversight hearings
- Referral to appropriate oversight, audit, or investigative authorities, if warranted

SECTION 8 - RECORD PRESERVATION

The Administration shall preserve all documents, communications, records, contracts, procurement files, and electronic data related to Information Technology procurement activities, including emails, internal communications, and vendor correspondence, pending completion of the audit.

SECTION 9 - ACCESS TO INFORMATION

The Administration shall provide full and timely access to all records, personnel, and systems necessary to complete the audit, consistent with applicable law.

SECTION 10 - PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

All final reports generated pursuant to this resolution shall be made publicly available in accordance with applicable law.

SECTION 11 - AUTHORITY AND SEVERABILITY

This resolution is adopted pursuant to the legislative authority of the City Council over appropriations and financial oversight. Nothing herein shall be construed to direct or interfere with the administrative functions of the executive branch. If any provision of this resolution is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption by the Memphis City Council.

Sponsor:
Chairwoman Jana Swearengen-Washington

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