

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION
OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI
JANUARY 12, 2024**

Be it remembered that the Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen met in a Work Session on Friday, January 12, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the second-floor conference room of City Hall located at 110 West Main Street, Starkville, MS. Present were Mayor D. Lynn Spruill, Alderwoman Sandra Sistrunk, Alderman Jeffrey Rupp, Alderman Hamp Beatty and Alderman Henry Vaughn, Sr. City Attorney Berk Huskison and City Clerk / CFO Lesa Hardin were also present.

Mayor Spruill opened the work session. The work session was properly noticed pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §25-41-13 and a copy of that notice is included in the minutes. The work session was live streamed on Facebook. The public and media were welcomed and attended. The session is also available for viewing on the City website.

Mike Tagert, CEO of the Greater Starkville Development Partnership, presented an update on the status and programs offered by the Partnership. The emphasis of the Partnership is on Public Safety, Community Involvement and Health Care. Mr. Tagert noted Chamber of Commerce membership has increased to 590 members, up from approximately 500 in 2018. Copies of some of his slides are attached.

The Mayor and members of the Board discussed items on the upcoming January 16, 2024 agenda. Department Directors were available to answer questions related to the items. All agenda items were discussed.

SIGNED AND SEALED THIS THE 6TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024.

MAYOR D. LYNN SPRUILL

Attest:

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LESA HARDIN, CITY CLERK/CFO

Starkville Convention & Visitors Bureau promotes the greater Starkville area as a tourist destination



OkTibbeha County Economic Development Authority promotes the creation and retention of jobs in the county



Starkville Main Street Association promotes the greater Starkville area as a Mississippi Main Street community



Starkville Area Chamber of Commerce focuses community resources on fostering economic and community development and enhancing the quality of life



THE PARTNERSHIP
cultivating community

Special Levy Taxes

- 2% Lodging Tax**
 - Starkville CVB – 100%
- 2% Food & Beverage**
 - City of Starkville – 10%
 - Starkville CVB – 15%
 - OCEDA – 15%
 - MSU Student Association – 20%
 - Parks & Rec – 40%





WORK SESSION

CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

JANUARY 12, 2024

11:00 a.m.

- A. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**
- B. PRESENTATION FROM MIKE TAGERT REGARDING THE GREATER STARKVILLE DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS AND STATUS**
- C. DISCUSSION OF THE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE JANUARY 16, 2024 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR THE CITY OF STARKVILLE.**
- D. ADJOURN MEETING**



**THERE WILL BE A WORK SESSION OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN ON
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024.**

**AT 11:00 AM IN THE STARKVILLE CITY HALL
LOCATED AT 110 WEST MAIN STREET
IN THE SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**

The public and media are invited to attend.

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