ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON, HABITAT FOR HUMANITY MISSISSIPPI CAPITAL AREA, JACKSON HOUSING AUTHORITY AND KARRY L. YOUNG DEVELOPMENT LLC TO ACT AS BLIGHT PARTNERS FOR THE MISSISSIPPI HOME CORPORATION'S BLIGHT ELIMINATION PROGRAM (ALL WARDS)

WHEREAS, the City Council authorize the Mayor to apply for funding through the Mississippi Home Corporation's Blight Elimination Program on December 5, 2017 as recorded in Minute Book 6M on pages 147-148; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Housing and Community Development accepted proposals in response to a Request for Proposals for Blight Partner on October 30, 2017 and received a total of seven (7) proposals; and

WHEREAS, all proposals submitted were reviewed by a committee of five (5), for all threshold requirements and scored based on the entities' experience, qualifications, capacity and, financial stability; and

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity Mississippi Capital Area, Jackson Housing Authority and Karry L. Young Development, LLC met all threshold requirements and scored sufficiently to be accepted as Blight Partners; and

WHEREAS, Blight Partners will be responsible for (a) holding title to the property prior to demolition and throughout the three year Compliance Period, (b) maintaining the property throughout the three year Compliance Period, and (c) pay annual property taxes (a reimbursable expense) on the property throughout the three year Compliance Period.; and

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Mayor be authorized to execute a contract and any and all other applicable documents with Habitat for Humanity Mississippi Capital Area, Jackson Housing Authority and Karry L. Young Development, LLC for the purposes of serving as Blight Partners for the City of Jackson's Blight Elimination Program application to Mississippi Home Corporation.

Item#
Date January 30, 2018

By: Lumumba, Kumar, Henderson

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 10 POINT DATA SHEET

DATE: 01/30/2018

	POINTS	COMMENTS
1.	Brief Description	ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON, HABITAT FOR HUMANITY MISSISSIPPI CAPITAL AREA, JACKSON HOUSING AUTHORITY AND KARRY L. YOUNG DEVELOPMENT LLC TO ACT AS BLIGHT PARTNERS FOR THE MISSISSIPPI HOME CORPORATION'S BLIGHT ELIMINATION PROGRAM (ALL WARDS)
2.	Purpose	To eliminate blighted residential properties in the city of Jackson
3.	Who will be affected	Citizens of Jackson.
4.	Benefits	This program will serve as a starting point for planning housing activities more efficiently and move the City toward communities without the dangers and hazards of blighted properties.
5.	Schedule (beginning date)	Upon approval and in compliance with scope of work in application agreement.
6.	Location: WARD CITYWIDE (yes/no) (area) Project limits if applicable	Various
7.	Action implemented by: City Department X Consultant	Department of Planning and Development. Office of Housing & Community Development.
8.	COST	\$500,000
9.	Source of Funding General fund Grant X Bond Other	Blight Elimination Program grant through the Mississippi Home Corporation.
10.	E. B.O. Participation	ABE % WAIVER yes no N/A AABE % WAIVER yes no N/A WBE % WAIVER yes no N/A HBE % WAIVER yes no N/A NABE % WAIVER yes no N/A

Office of Housing & Community Development

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Chokwe A. Lumumba

FROM: Vanessa Henderson, Deputy Director

DATE: January 18, 2018

RE: Agenda Item for January 30, 2018, City Council Meeting

The attached agenda item is to authorize the Mayor to enter into contracts with Habitat for Humanity Mississippi Capital Area, Jackson Housing Authority and Karry L. Young Development, LLC to serve as Blight Partners in the City's Blight Elimination Program application to the Mississippi Home Corporation.

The U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") established the Housing Finance Agency Innovation Fund for the Hardest-Hit Markets ("Hardest Hit Fund" or "HHF") to provide financial assistance to families in the states most impacted by the downturn of the housing market. Treasury designed the overall program to give each participating state the flexibility to tailor its program to the unique factors contributing to the state's foreclosure problems.

Under the Hardest Hit Fund Program, the State of Mississippi has established the Blight Elimination Program ("BEP") which will use a portion of the HHF allocation to demolish blighted and abandoned homes that are beyond repair. The goal is not simply to demolish abandoned homes, but to prevent avoidable foreclosures and stabilize property values in Mississippi communities.

The Blight Elimination Program will serve as a partnership between the Mississippi Home Corporation ("MHC") and local government municipalities that will allow communities to demolish blighted properties and offer a variety of end uses for the newly cleared properties, including green space and redevelopment.

A Blight Partner is required to hold title to each property prior to demolition and throughout the three-year Compliance Period. Blight Partners may also work with applicants to complete applications, reporting, record keeping or administrative functions.

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OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

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James Anderson, Jr., Interim City Attorney

Azande Williams, Deputy City Attorney

DATE