

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND VACATING 4<sup>TH</sup> NORTH STREET LOCATED IN  
THE CITY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg passed an Ordinance No. 99-15 on October 25, 1999 to close a portion of Fourth North Street situated in the city of Vicksburg and herein described as follows:

**BEGIN** at the SE corner of that certain lot previously owned by William Silas as shown in Deed Book 396, Page 305 of the Warren County Land Records, then go in a Northerly direction along the East line of said property approximately 150 feet to NE corner of Lot owned by Margaret McCrory as recorded in Deed Book 302, page 184 of the Warren County Land Records; then go Easterly along a line to NW corner of Rose Jabour lot as shown in Deed Book 234, page 349 of the Warren County Land Records; then in a Southerly direction along the West side of said Lot to the SW corner of Hezekiah Butler lot as shown in Deed Book 211, Page 361 of the Warren County Land Records; then Westerly line along the North border of Poplar Street to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**, all in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg passed an Ordinance No. 2025-06 on October 10, 2025 to close a portion of Bodley Alley situated in the city of Vicksburg and herein described as follows:

**BEGINNING** at a point that is the north west corner of Lot 3 of Square 2 of the James Noe Survey, recorded in Deed Book "G" at page 464 of the land records at the Warren County Court House, said point is also on the south line of a 20 foot wide alleyway in the City of Vicksburg, known as Bodley Alley, thence south 82 degrees 00 minutes east, 207.5 feet, along the common south line of Bodley Alley and north line of Lots 3 and part of Lot 4 of Square 2 of the above stated James Noe Survey, thence north 08 degrees 00 minutes east, 20 feet more or less to a point on the north line of Bodley Alley, thence north 82 degrees 00 minutes west 207.5 feet along the north line of Bodley Alley to a point on the north line of Bodley Alley, thence south 08 degrees 00 minutes west, 20 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

**WHEREAS**, Willie Betts and Richard Johnson, the duly authorized Trustees and Representatives of Zion Travelers Missionary Baptist Church located at 1701 Poplar Street, Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180, Petitioners who petitioned the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of

the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi to close and vacate the hereinafter described portion of Fourth North Street hereinafter described as follows:

Closure for an unused portion of 4<sup>th</sup> Street, a street in the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi. This description Closes 4<sup>th</sup> Street from the southern right-of-way of Grove Street to the northern line of a closed portion of Bodley Alley.

Beginning at a point that is the north east corner of a tract of land owned by Zion Travelers MB Church and recorded in Deed Book 792 at page 256 of the land records at the Warren County Court House, said point is also the north west corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Streets intersection with the southern right-of-way of Grove Street , thence southerly along the east line of the afore mentioned tract 221' more or less to the south east corner of the afore mentioned tract, said point is also the south west corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Street at Bodley Alley (Closed), thence easterly along the northern line of Bodley Alley (Closed) 60' more or less to a point on the south west corner of a tract of land owned by Zion Travelers MB Church and recorded in Deed Book 792 at page 258 of the land records at the Warren County Court House, said point is also the south east corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Street at Bodley Alley (Closed), thence northly 221' more or less to a point on the north west corner of a tract of land owned by Zion Travelers MB Church and recorded in Deed Book 1242 at page 580 of the land records at the Warren County Court House, said point is also the north east corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Streets intersection with the southern right-of-way of Grove Street, thence westerly along the right-of-way of Grove Street 60' more or less to the point of beginning.

**WHEREAS**, Zion Travelers Missionary Baptist Church owns the land adjoining the portion of Fourth North Street to be closed and vacated on both sides thereof, and which is otherwise inaccessible by any third party and there is no third party who claims any part of the said Fourth North Street to be designated and vacated; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Aldermen deem it in the best interest of the adjacent property owners and the general public good to have the afore described portion of Fourth North Street to be closed, vacated and abandoned by the Mayor and Aldermen, and for the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg to file an ordinance in the Warren County Land Records.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Vicksburg reserves for itself any and all utility easements within the vacated street and the right to ingress and egress to same.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg:

1. That the following described portion of Fourth North Street as situated in the City of Vicksburg be, and the same hereby is, closed and vacated, to-wit:

Closure for an unused portion of 4<sup>th</sup> Street, a street in the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi. This description Closes 4<sup>th</sup> Street from the southern right-of-way of Grove Street to the northern line of a closed portion of Bodley Alley.

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2. That the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg do hereby find that such vacation and closing will result in no damages to any adjacent land owners and that in lieu of the delivery of separate Quitclaim Deeds in favor of ZION TRAVELERS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, there being no other adjacent property owner(s) thereto, the City Clerk is authorized and empowered to deliver to the Petitioners as the duly authorized Trustees and Representatives of Zion Travelers Missionary Baptist Church a certified copy of this Ordinance in a form which will be acceptable by the Chancery Clerk of Warren County, Mississippi for recordation among the Land Records in the Office of the Clerk as a muniment of title and to give convenient record notice of such vacation to any party interested in the record title of such lands.

3. That the City reserves any and all water, sewage and gas easements, located within the said vacated street, and the right of egress and ingress to the same.

**SO ORDAINED** this the 24th day of December 2025.

The Mayor and Aldermen of the

City of Vicksburg, Mississippi

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Willis Thompson, Mayor

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Thomas J. Mayfield, Alderman

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Vickie Y. Bailey, Alderwoman

CERTIFICATE

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**COUNTY OF WARREN**

**CITY OF VICKSBURG**

I, Deborah A. Kaiser-Nickson, the duly and legally appointed, qualified and Acting City Clerk and lawful custodian of the Minutes of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg and Seal of said City, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Ordinance Adopted by The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg at an Adjourned Board Meeting held on December 24, 2025.

WITNESS my signature and seal of the City of Vicksburg this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of December 2025.

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Deborah A. Kaiser-Nickson, City Clerk