

AUGUST 24, 2024

Dear Residents of District 2,

On August 21, I gathered with my fellow Councilmembers, Mayor Stimpson, city leaders and community members to honor the many memories that have shaped the history of the Mobile Civic Center. From iconic concerts to unforgettable Mardi Gras balls, this beloved venue has played a significant role in our community's cultural life.

Guests joined us with their second-line umbrellas and Mardi Gras attire, celebrating the storied past of the Civic Center as we begin the next chapter in our city's development.

As the demolition moves forward and plans for the new arena take shape, we encourage you to stay informed by **clicking here**. There, you can find the latest renderings of the future arena, answers to frequently asked questions, a timeline for the project, and periodic updates on significant milestones. For any inquiries, please reach out to us at newarena@cityofmobile.org.

Thank you for your continued support as we create new memories in our future arena.

**Click here** to view the video.

On August 20, the Stimpson Administration delivered the City of Mobile's **proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2025** to the members of the Mobile City Council.

The Mobile City Council will hold a Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in the conference room on the 9th floor of the South Tower at 205 Government Plaza.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the proposed Fiscal Year 2025 Budget. This is a working meeting, and no public comments will be taken. Public comments are welcomed during the Public Hearing on the budget as a part of the Tuesday, September 3 City Council meeting.

Here are a few key points:

- 2.5% Cost of Living Adjustment for City of Mobile employees
- Streamlined pay plan that raises the starting salary for first responders
- \$48 million for Capital Projects across the City of Mobile
- \$23 million for continued debt service
- \$32 million for the Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

You can find a full copy of the proposed budget by **clicking here**.

Earlier this week, I joined members of the Oakleigh District in the groundbreaking and ribbon-cutting of **The Residences at Oakleigh**, a stunning new addition to our community.

From luxury living to unbeatable amenities, this place is set to redefine elegance in Mobile. Congratulations

to everyone involved in bringing this vision to life!

For more info, click here.

<u>Click here</u> to watch the latest episode of the "Let's Hear From You District 2" podcast!

It's a pleasure to be your public servant,

Councilman William Carroll Mobile City Council District 2