# Status Report, Jackson Generals Investigation

The Crone Law Firm

BY: ALAN CRONE, FOUNDER & CEO OF THE CRONE LAW FIRM

# About Alan

Founder & CEO of The Crone Law Firm

Graduate of the University of Memphis Undergraduate and School of Law

Has Specialized In Employment Law For 30+ Years





# About Katie

Senior Attorney of The Crone Law Firm

Graduate of the Rhodes College, Undergraduate and University of Memphis School of Law

Served as an Assistant District Attorney where she worked on various criminal matters, including white collar crime, theft, embezzlement and violent offenses.





# About Cindy

### Director at Dixon Hughes Goodman

Graduate of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

Practicing as a Certified Public Accountant for more than 20 years. She is Certified in Financial Forensics, Certified Valuation Analyst, and a Certified Divorce Financial Analyst. Leads the DHG Forensics, Valuation and Litigation Services practice in Memphis, TN.





# Previous City Council Meeting 10/02/2020

- Reviewed agreements
- Reviewed invoices, expense supporting documentation, check information, etc. from the Club for the years 2012 through 2020
- 3,400 rows of data entered and analyzed, including thousands of PDF invoices and supporting documentation
- 2,000,000+ items were collected, processed, and hosted (including over 500,000 emails) from Al Laffoon, Karen Bell, Jason Compton, and former Mayor Gist's mailboxes
- 5,000 emails and attachments were manually reviewed
- Interviewed Karen Bell, Susan White, Bobby Arnold, and Jason Compton
- Reconciled City check register data to City invoice data



# Things We Knew as of 10/02/2020 Presentation

- Lack of appropriate oversight / "tone at the top"
- Lack of financial clarity due to multiple general ledger accounts
- Lack of supporting documentation
- In-kind transactions/trades
- Split invoices
- Duplicate payments and potential overpayments
  - Generals refunded \$8,523 of duplicate payments during our investigation



# Third Amended and Restated Stadium License and Use Agreement – 06/07/2011

# Article IV Stadium Related Revenues

C. <u>Disclaimer of Revenues By City.</u> During the term of this Agreement, the city shall, in its soul and absolute discretion, have the right to disclaim any item of revenue allocated to the City under this Agreement, and to assume any expense or other monetary obligation of Club hereunder, with any such disclaimer or assumption of expense being in whole or in part and for such time periods or intervals as the City desires. <u>Upon request by the Club, the City shall reimburse the Club for its expenses incurred under and described in Article III(B) of this Agreement.</u> A disclaimer of revenues, at the election of the City, all, and in each case, as determined solely by the City. If the City elects to disclaim revenues hereunder, or to assume additional obligations hereunder, it shall give written notice thereof to Club and this Agreement shall be deemed amended in accordance with the terms of such notice.



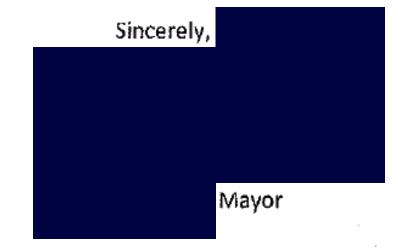
### 06/08/2011 Side Agreement

June 8, 2011

Jackson Baseball Club 4 Fun Place Jackson, TN 38302

Pursuant to Article II(D) of The Amended and Restated Stadium License and Use Agreement (the "Lease") between the City of Jackson, Tennessee (the "City") and Jackson Baseball Club L.P. (the "Club"), the City confirms to you that the amount of advertising, marketing, and other support to the Club during 2010 was \$321,928.

Pursuant to Article IV(C) of the Lease, the City hereby assumes \$500,000 per annum of the Club's expenses incurred under and described in Article III(B) of the Lease.





## Example:

## Lack of Appropriate Oversight / "Tone at the Top"

>>> Susan White 4/13/2012 9:21 AM >>>

I came to see you, but you must be with Sam. Let's talk at your convenience.

Susan

>>> Al Laffoon 4/12/2012 4:10 PM >>>

Susan - the attached (4) invoices totaling \$31,500 for additional cameras are covered by the money TSE saved us on the original \$306,000 Council approved project. I reviewed with Mayor Gist last week and he asked me to get with you and "find a way to make it happen without the normal bid process", since this was our intent from the beginning in using TSE's expertise to get the video board and auxiliary cameras for the price of the Video Board only.

We need to place orders - let's discuss in morning.

Al

>>> "Jason Compton" <jcompton@jacksongeneralsbaseball.com> 3/29/2012 7:24 PM >>> Al,

Attached are the quotes (invoices) for the front end equipment that goes along with the videobaord. We need to purchase from TSE. Let me know what you need from me to make this happen......

Also, David came for a visit today. Give me a call when you have a minute to discuss a few things.

Jason



# Example:

## Lack of Appropriate Oversight / "Tone at the Top"

From: Susan White <swhite@cityofjackson.net> <SWhite@cityofjackson.net>

To: Al Laffoon <ALaffoon@cityofjackson.net>

Cc: Betty Wilson < BWilson@cityofjackson.net>, Mayor < jgist@cityofjackson.net>

Sent: November 8, 2012 3:27:33 PM UTC

Received: November 8, 2012 3:27:33 PM UTC

I will change the amount on the requisition and send to you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 8, 2012, at 8:49 AM, "Al Laffoon" < ALaffoon@cityofjackson.net> wrote:

Definitely YES - Betty will change the invoice and I will initial it - just need Susan to send us an approved P.O.

AI

Mayor 11/7/2012 4:32 PM >>>



Al, can the total be changed to \$9,900?

## Example:

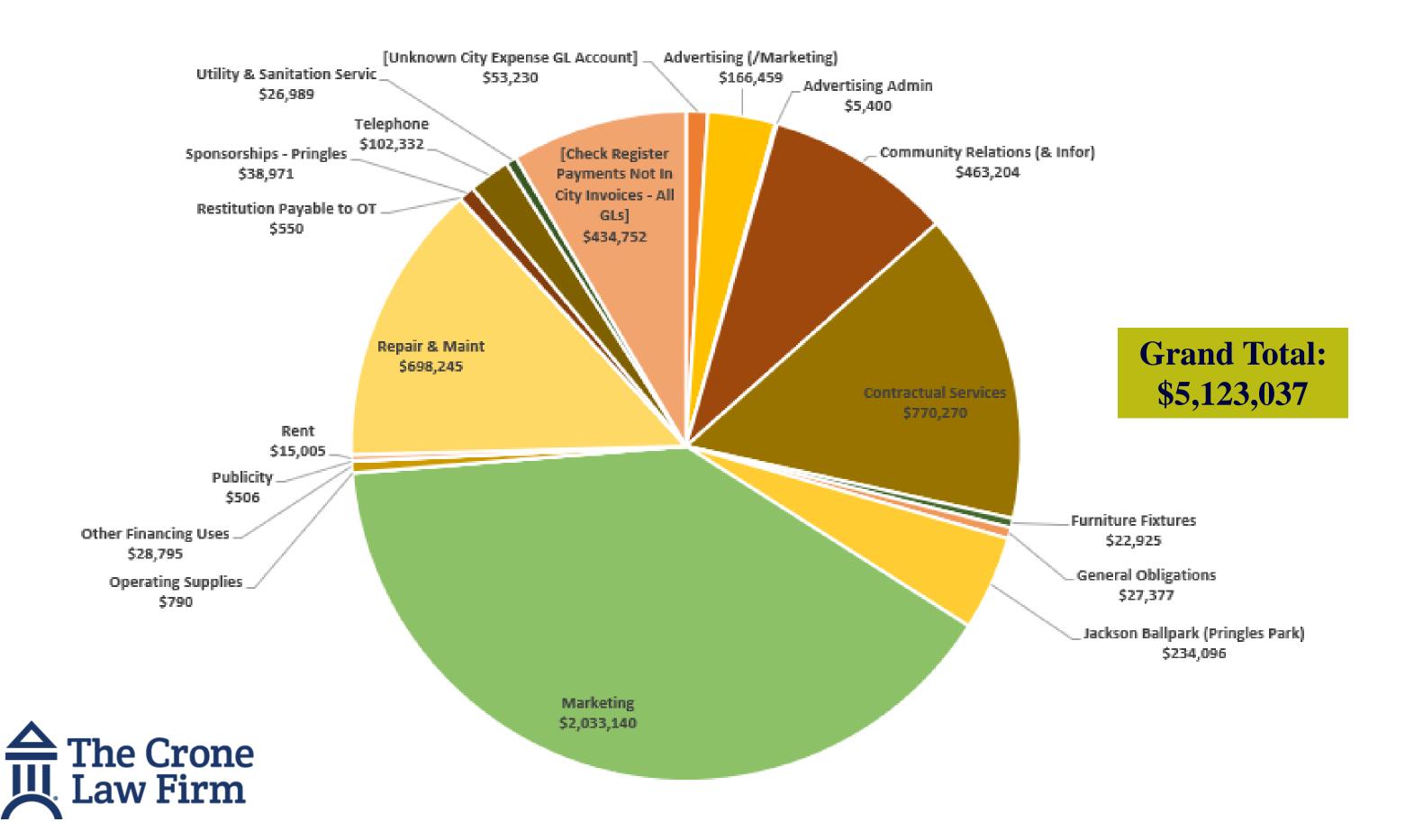
# Lack of Appropriate Oversight / "Tone at the Top"

#### REQUISITION FOR PURCHASE

				REQUISITION DATE:	11/7/201
	REQUISITIONED BY: APPROVED BY:	Al Laffoon	į	REQUISITION DATE: REQUIRED DATE:	
	APPROVED BY:		DATE:		
	APPROVED BY:		DATE:		
	ACCOUNT NO.:	110-41900-236			
	Office Use Only:				
	REQUISITION NO.:				
	APPROVED BY: APPROVED BY: ACCOUNT NO.: Office Use Only: REQUISITION NO.: VENDOR NO:				
			İ		
	VENDOR:	Jackson Baseball Club LP	SHIP TO:	City of Jackson	
		Pringles Park	<u> </u>	Al Laffoon, City Recorder	
		4 Fun Place	ļ	101 E. Main Street Suite 203	
		Jackson Baseball Club LP Pringles Park 4 Fun Place Jackson, Tennessee 38305		City of Jackson Al Laffoon, City Recorder 101 E. Main Street Suite 203 Jackson, Tennessee 38301	
QTY	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	ITEM NO.	cost	TOTAL
		2013 City Tickets			\$ 10,000.0
		2013 City Tickets per June 7, 2011 <u>Stadium License and Use</u>	<u> </u>		
		Agreement - Article II, City's Obligations,			
		Section E. City Night & Tickets for Non-Profits			
		Per Mayor Gist			
		Total			\$ 10,000.0



### City Payments by General Ledger Account



### 2012 - 2020 Expenses and Supporting Documentation

Category	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	<b>Grand Total</b>
Expenses	48,378	636,500	727,835	667,610	639,680	766,578	747,941	750,202	138,312	\$ 5,123,037
Supporting Documentation (from Club)	-	29,864	-	-	400,565	593,711	417,904	516,223	75,637	\$ 2,033,902
No Supporting Documentation (Difference)	\$ 48,378	\$ 606,637	\$ 727,835	\$ 667,610	\$ 239,116	\$ 172,868	\$ 330,037	\$ 233,979	\$ 62,675	\$ 3,089,135



### 2012 - 2020 Confirmed and Potential In-Kind

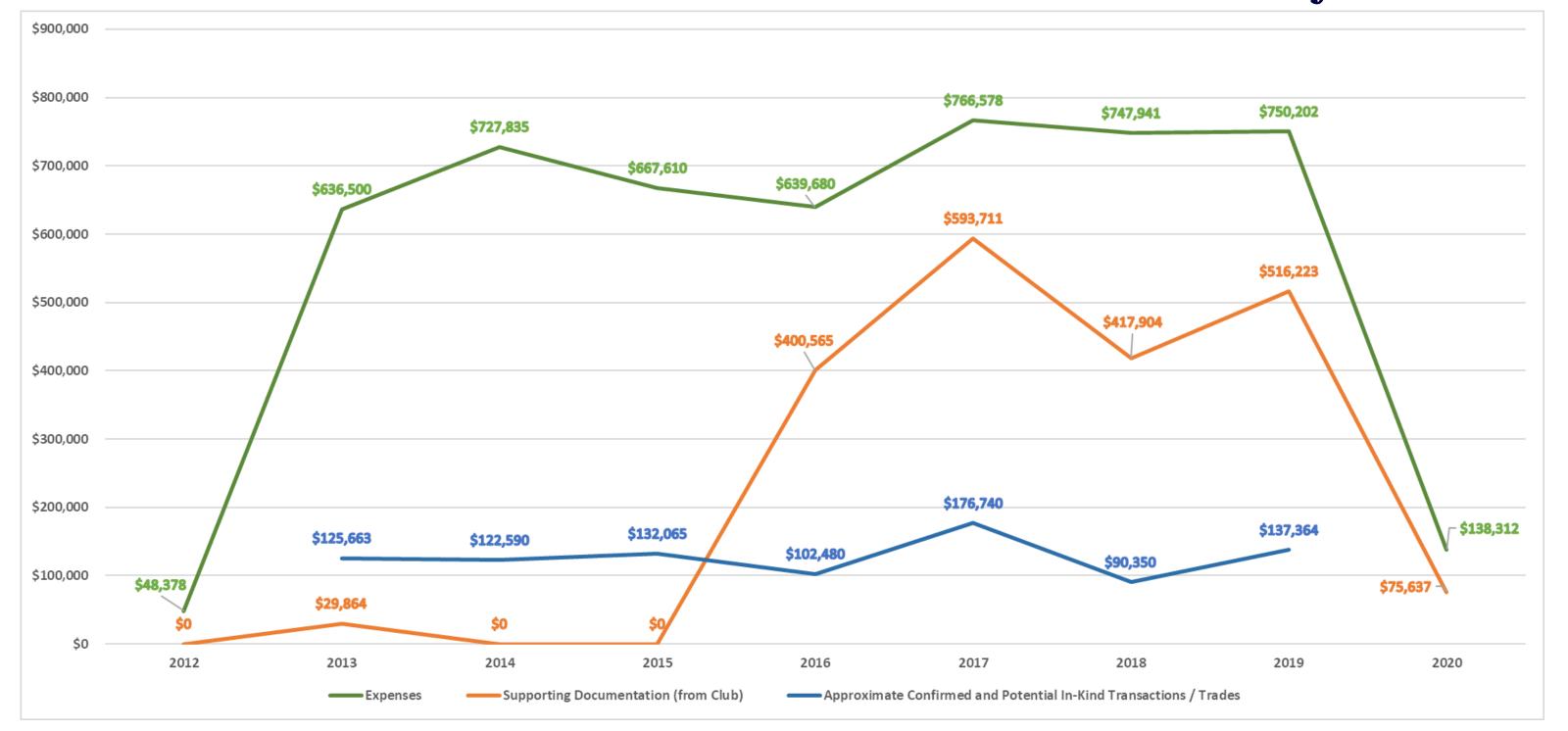
### Transactions/Trades

Category	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	<b>Grand Total</b>
Approximate Confirmed Full and										
Partial In-Kind Transactions / Trades					81,720	172,400	90,350	137,364		\$ 481,834
Approximate Potential Full and										
Partial In-Kind Transactions / Trades		125,663	122,590	132,065	20,760	4,340				\$ 405,418
Total		\$ 125,663	\$ 122,590	\$ 132,065	\$ 102,480	\$ 176,740	\$ 90,350	\$ 137,364		\$ 887,252



### Expenses, Supporting Documentation, and Approximate

### Confirmed and Potential In-Kind Transactions/Trades by Year





## **Example:** Trade



Jackson Baseball Club LP 4 Fun Place Jackson, TN 38305

Invoice

Date:

Invoice #:

March 15, 2017

Salesperson:

Payment Terms:

Due Date:

Sold To:

Al Laffoon

City of Jackson

101 East Main Street

Suite 102

Jackson, TN 38301

Stadium License & Use Agreement of 67/12611

Total Unit Price Quantity Description \$ 7,800.00 \$ 7,800.00 ( 1 WBBJ Advertising-April

7,800.00

Make all checks payable to:

Jackson Baseball Club LP

4 Fun Place

Jackson, TN 38305

Phone: 731-988-5299 \* Fax: 731-988-5246

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## Example: Trade





#### Jackson Generals Contract Number: 2017-

Professional Baseball Club 4 Fun Place, Jackson, TN 383065

Phone: 731-988-5299 Fax: 731-988-5246

. Date:

12/19/16

Contract Status: Multi-year renewal

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WANTED THE PARTY OF THE PARTY O	ng Partner:	"handard and a college of the second	WALLEST AND AND AND AND	WBBJ		10 July 10 Jul
**	Contact:		ıg ·	· Phone;	731-424	-4515
•	Address: 346 Mu			Fax:		**
. *		, , , , ,		Email:	wthing@	wbbi.tv
City/State/Zip		Jackson, TN 38	305	JG Rep:	M	P
. Item		Description	1	· · · Quantity	٠.	Investment
Signage	,	Tri-Vision		1 1	\$	10,000.00
Signage		Press Box		1	\$	7,500.00
Program		Full Page - Full Color I	nside Front	1 .	\$	4,500.00
Promotion		Media Fireworks Sho	w Sponsor	. 2	\$	7,000.00
Radio .		:30 spot		1	\$	. 1,500.00
Other		Partial Suite Trade & 250	GA Vouchers	1	\$	5,000.00
Promotion		Jr. PA and :30 V	ideo	1	\$	3,500.00
				, ,		* 2
Investment 7	Cerms:		7800 Minch	Total Investment:	\$	39,000.00
·	*		7800 April	Amount Paid:		TRADE
			•	Amount Due:		TRADE
				(per contracted season)		
Notes:		ackson Generals to receive tra	de of equal value i	n like cash advertising do	lars.	
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to the advertiser. The agre October 1st going forwar advertiser after act approx	eement shall oon d, until one part rals and before o	nes of force upon acceptance by the o hmence upon execution. This agreem y provides written/email notice of ten ontract term ends may be charged be tated herein or attached hereto and ti	ent will automatically re releation prior to the en ack to the advertiser. It is	new for successive one (1) year d of the relevent term. Any chai s mutually understood that no a	periods on Octo ges due to char greement or pr	ober 1st, 2017, and each nges in art requested by omise has been made in
A						
Cilent Signature			Representativ	e Signature:		
Title:			-	Title:		
Date		•		Date	1 ,	

From: Jason Compton [mailto:jcompton@jacksongeneralsbaseball.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2012 5:10 PM

To: Alex Singer

Subject: RE: Jackson Generals - City of Jackson - Front End Equipment Proposals

The only thing I see that could be a issue....i need all of the invoices less than 10k. the 11K one won't work (or will cause things to slow). Can you just reallocate to make all of them under 10k.

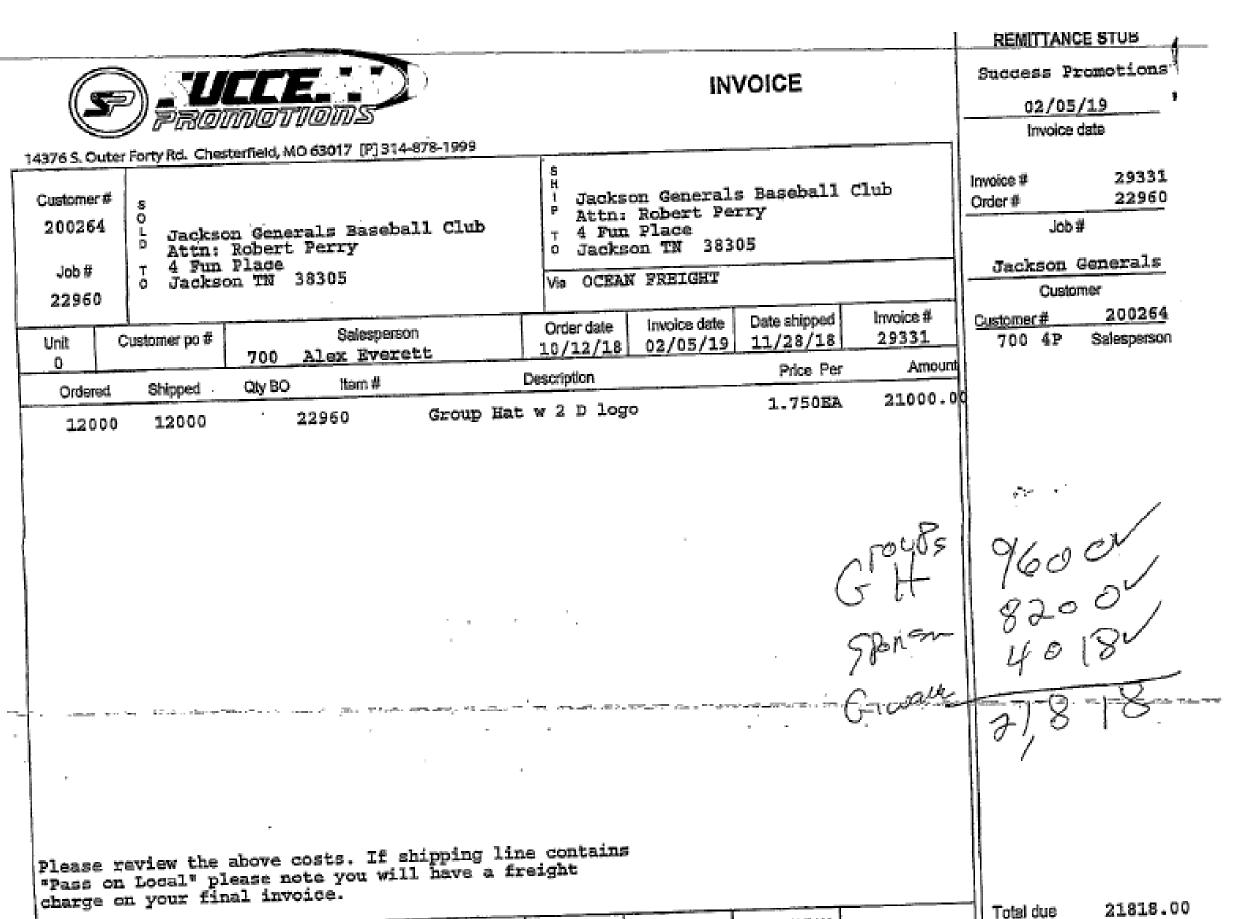
Thanks, Jason

Jason Compton

General Manager Jackson Generals

Phone: (731) 988-5299

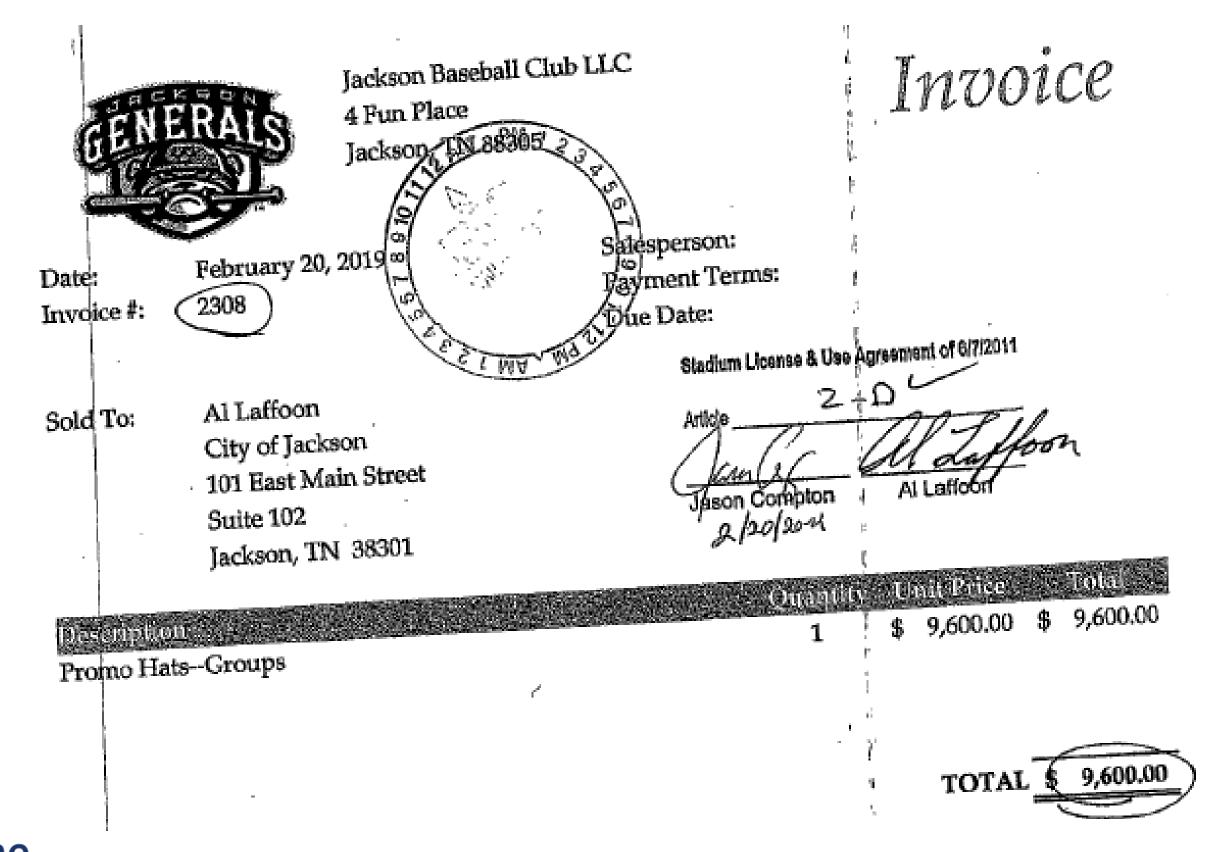




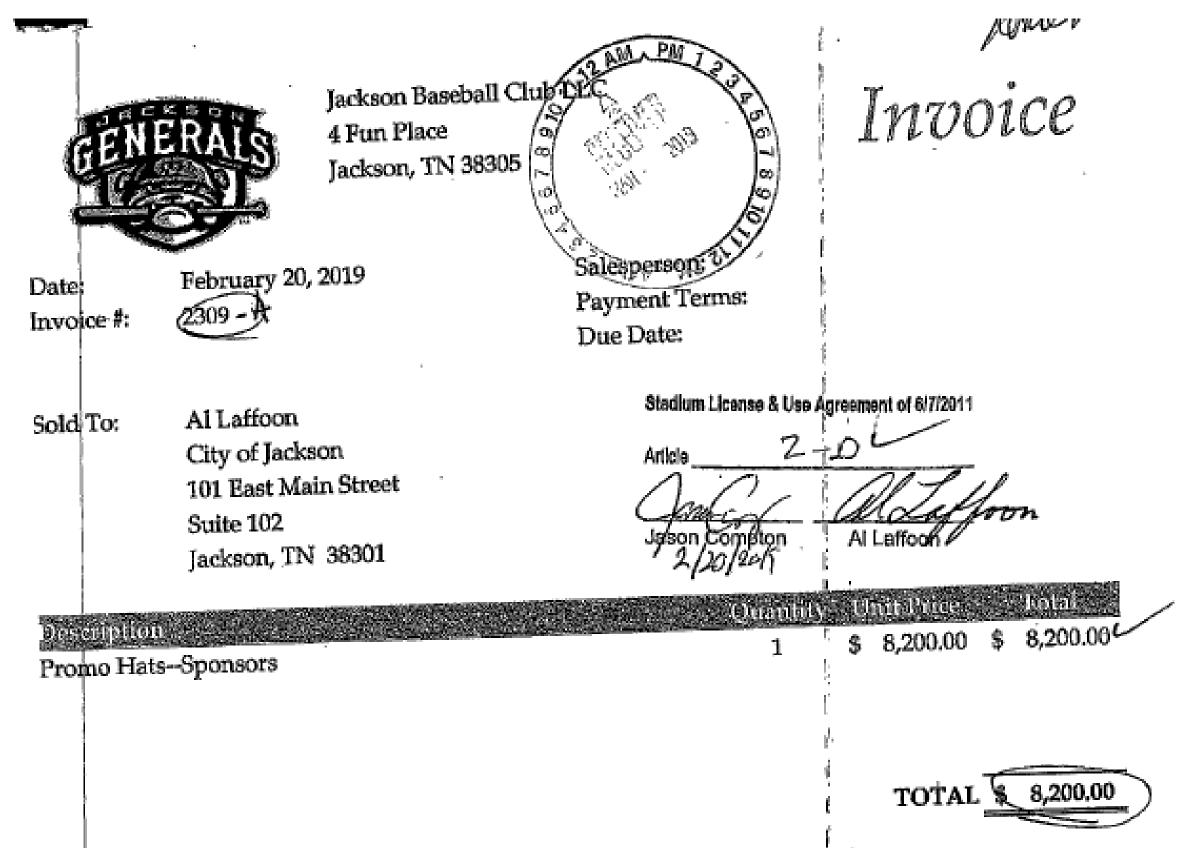


21818.00 PLEASE PAY 0.00 Terms Net 30 THIS AMOUNT 818.00 0.00 21000.00 Total

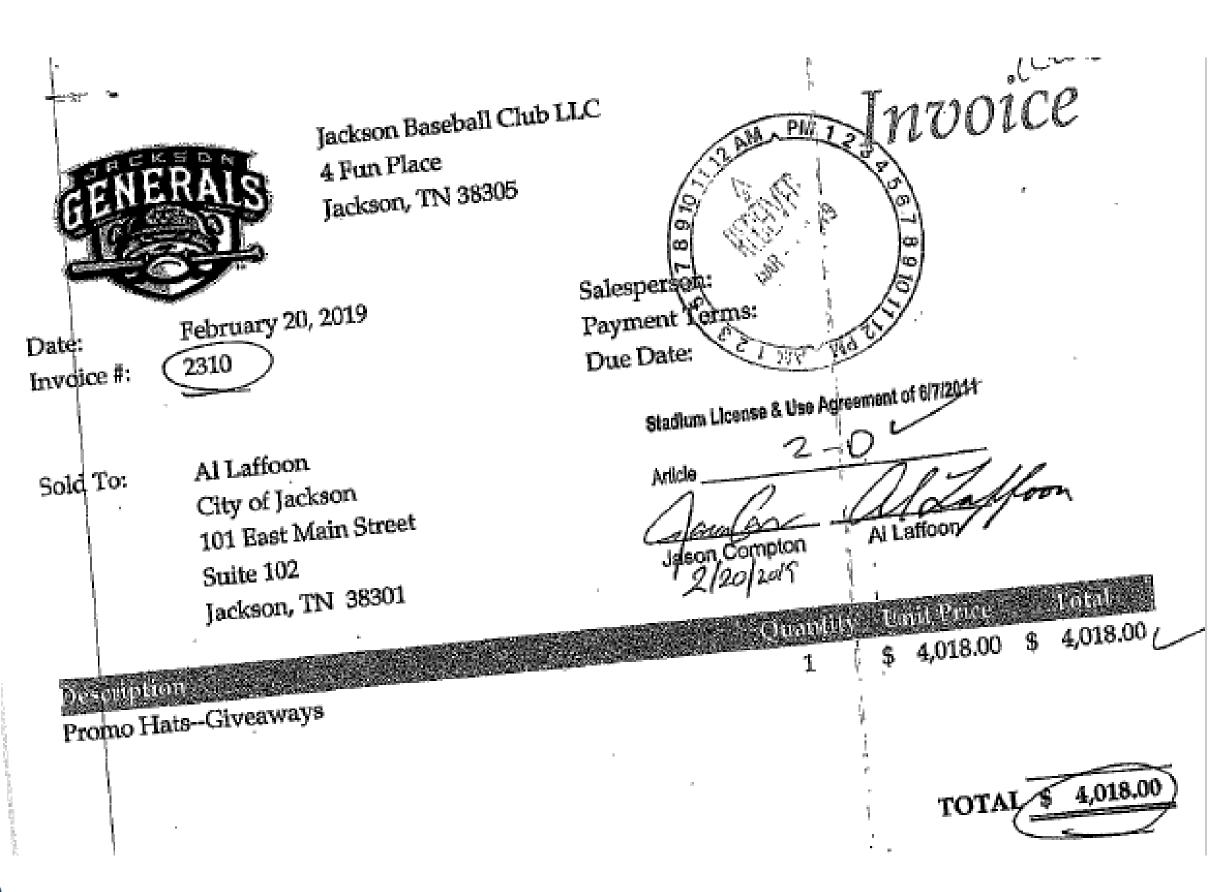
NOTE: ALL FUNDS ARE IN US DOLLARS. Please note that about it you pay this invoice with a credit card a 2% surcharge will be added to the total of this invoice. MAILED CUSTOMER INVOICE













# Potential Overpayments and Potential Duplicate Invoices

#### **Potential Overpayments**

Six different potential overpayments, totaling over \$15,000, were submitted to, and reimbursed by, the City between 2015 and 2019.

#### **Potential Duplicate Invoices**

• Five different duplicate payments, totaling over \$12,000, were submitted to, and reimbursed by, the City between 2016 and 2018.



## **Potential Overpayments**

Invoice Date	Club Invoice #	Total Invoice Amount Paid	Overpayment Amount	Supporting Invoice Vendor	Invoice - Line Description
out the	\$1,850 previous paym	ent. There is a	note related to	the "deposit paid by Ballclub	voice from the Club to the City and check amount does not net ". If the Club never invoiced the city for \$1,850, the payment the City related to the same vendor (Stadium One). There is no
_				-	refore unable to confirm if the \$1,850 amount is related.
11/13/2015	_	1,850.00		y to the class and the are then	Stadium One Usage
5/4/2016	1297	27,744.00			New POS Units for Concessions
4/4/2016	Vendor Inv # 1209	8,744.00		Stadium One	New POS Units for Concessions
	Vendor Inv # 1089	17,150.00		Stadium One	New POS Units for Concessions
,,			\$ 1,850.00		
	oiced the City for the \$	10k payment o	and the City is n	ow reimbursing them for the	City, this would result in an overpayment. It is possible the Club total amount. We are not currently in possession of evidence City to the Club related to this item.
4/18/2016	1268	20,925.00			Pavillion Renovation
4/6/2015	N/A	10,925.00		Forsythe Construction Co.	Pavillion Renovation
			\$ 10,000.00		
Clo	ub invoice shows \$277.	39 as "Tax/Sta	te Fees" and b	ased on our review of other s	upport, the City typically does not reimburse for taxes.
3/15/2016	1191	3,112.38			Fertilizer
2/26/2016	Vendor Inv # 885834	3,112.38		Harrell's	Turf Repair
			\$ 277.39		
Sold To: Cit	y of Jackson Storm Wo	ater Managem	ent (rather tha	n "Al Laffoon"). This is likely a	a typo, but there is no underlying support to be able to confirm.
2/17/2017		1,500.00	,		(City of Jackson Storm Water Management) 2017 Sponsorship
			\$ 1,500.00		
	Po	tential overpa	yment of \$1,26	8.87 due to payment of JEA cu	urrent charges, not amount due.
6/22/2017	1802	1,576.92			AT&T Telephone
6/22/2017	1802	1,576.92			JEA Telephone
N/A	N/A	12.00		Jackson Energy Authority	JEA Telephone
N/A	N/A	1.30		Jackson Energy Authority	JEA Telephone
6/2/2017	N/A	294.75		AT&T	AT&T Telephone
			\$ 1,268.87		
	Pote	ntial overpayn	nent of \$378.30	due to the Club reimbursing j	for the tax portion of this expense.
3/5/2019	2445-A	\$5,298.30			New Picnic Pavillion Sign
2/22/2019	N/A	\$4,920.00			
			\$ 378.30		
		Grand Total	\$ 15,274.56		



### Potential Duplicate Payments Not Already Reimbursed by Generals

Date	Club Invoice #	Amount Paid	Overpaymen t Amount	Supporting Invoice Vendor	Invoice - Line Description
Date	Club mvoice #				· ·
		D	uplicate Paym	ent Issued - \$7,800 (WBBJ) - City (	Check #s 119665-B and 120376-B; Trade
/15/2017	1653	7,800.00			WBBJ Advertising April
2/19/2016	Vendor Inv # 2017-	7,800.00		WBBJ	Marketing Agreement
/17/2017	1703	7,800.00			WBBJ Advertising April
2/19/2016	Vendor Inv # 2017-	7,800.00		WBBJ	Marketing Agreement
			\$ 7,800.00	Contract for \$39,000 (5 months	); Per invoice data (6 months paid); \$46,800 was paid in total by the City
		Duplicat	e Payment Iss	ued - \$190 (Practical Business Sol	utions) - City Check #s 123421-B and 125430-B
/17/2017		1,777.96			Google Apps
/14/2017	Vendor Inv # 220	190.00		Practical Business Solutions	Google Apps
/17/2017	1935	1,480.53			Google Apps
/14/2017	Vendor Inv # 220	190.00		Practical Business Solutions	Google Apps
			\$ 190.00		
		D	uplicate Pavm	ent Issued - \$303 (TFG Memphis)	- City Check #s 129874-B and 132759-B
/3/2018	2161	303.00	.,,,,,,,		Ice Cream Machine Repair
/23/2018	Vendor Inv # 084705	303.00		TFG Memphis LLC	Truck Trip Feb, Labor charge
/12/2018	2324	303.00			Ice Cream Machine Repair
/23/2018	Vendor Inv # 084705	303.00		TFG Memphis LLC	Truck Trip Feb, Labor charge
			\$ 303.00	·	
		D	uplicate Paymi	ent Issued - \$3.600 (PYRO Shows)	) - City Check #s 130448-B and 131592-B
/5/2018	2207	7,552.00			Fireworks 6/23/18
/25/2018	No Vendor Invoice	3,600.00		PYRO Shows	Custom Aerial Fireworks Display
/12/2018	2250	7,800.00			Fireworks 6/23/18
/25/2018	Vendor Inv # 12807	3,600.00		PYRO Shows	Custom Aerial Fireworks Display
•			\$ 3,600.00		
		Dui		nt Issued - \$205 (Jackson Chambe	er) - City Check #s 109940-B and 110648-B
/12/2016	1152	265.00			Jackson Chamber Semi Annual Membership
/15/2016	Vendor Inv # 60946	205.00		Jackson Chamber	Semiannual Membership Investment covering 03/01/2016 through 08/31/2016
/15/2016		805.00			Jackson Chamber Semi Annual Membership
/15/2016	Vendor Inv # 60946	205.00		Jackson Chamber	Semiannual Membership Investment covering 03/01/2016 through 08/31/2016
			\$ 205.00		0.000 0
		Grand Total			



# **Example: Potential Duplicate Payment**



Jackson Baseball Club LP 4 Fun Place Jackson, TN 38305

Invoice

Date:

Invoice #:

March 15, 2017

Salesperson:

Payment Terms:

Due Date:

Sold To:

Al Laffoon

City of Jackson

101 East Main Street

Suite 102

Jackson, TN 38301

Stadium License & Use Agreement of 67/12611

Recognition and the second	Quantity	Unit Price	 Total
WBBJ Advertising-April	1	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,800.00

7,800.00

Make all checks payable to:

Jackson Baseball Club LP

4 Fun Place

Jackson, TN 38305

Phone: 731-988-5299 \* Fax: 731-988-5246

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# **Example: Potential Duplicate Payment**



Jackson Baseball Club LP 4 Fun Place Jackson, TN 38305

Invoice

Date:

April 17, 2017

1703 Invoice #: o

Salesperson:

Payment Terms:

Due Date:

Sold To:

Al Laffoon

City of Jackson

101 East Main Street

Suite 102

Jackson, TN 38301

Stadium License & Use Agreement of 6/7/2011

WBBJ--Advertising April

TOTAL (\$

Make all checks payable to:

Jackson Baseball Club LP

4 Fun Place

Jackson, TN 38305

Phone: 731-988-5299 \* Fax: 731-988-5246

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# **Example: Potential Duplicate** Payment





#### **Jackson Generals**

Professional Baseball Club

4 Fun Place, Jackson, TN 383065

Phone: 731-988-5299 Fax: 731-988-5246

Contract Number: 2017-

. Date:

12/19/16

Contract Status: Multi-year renewal

	MARKETING A	AGREEMENT		
	nd hereby contracts for Jackson Genera	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	ie 2017 seasc	n .
Marketing Partner:		WBBJ		***************************************
Contact:	Wayne Thing .	Phone:	731-424	4515 .
Address:	346 Muse St	Fax:		
.`		Email:	wthing@v	vbbi.tv
City/State/Zip:	Jackson, TN 38305	JG Rep:	MP	
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ltem	Description	Quantity	٠. ا	nvestment
gnage	Tri-Vision	. ' 1 '	\$	10,000.00
gnage	Press Box	1	\$	7,500.00
rogram	Full Page - Full Color Inside Fro	nt 1 .	\$\$	4,500.00
romotion	Media Fireworks Show Sponso	or . 2	\$\$	7,000.00
adio .	:30 spot	1	\$ .	1,500.00
ther F	artial Suite Trade & 250 GA Vouc	chers 1	\$	5,000.00
romotion	Jr. PA and :30 Video	1	\$ .	3,500.00
*				
	** ** *	/		
Investment Terms:	7800	Mach Total Investment:	\$	39,000.00
	7800	Amount Paid:		TRADE
	•	Amount Due:		TRADE
		(per contracted season)		
Notes: Ja	ckson Generals to receive trade of equa	il value in like cash advertising do	liars.	
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is contract is non-cancelable and become	s of force upon acceptance by the Generals. Sign	eture on this contract confirms that this c	ontract has been	read and is acceptable
the advertiser. The agreement shall come to be 1st color forward, until one party (	nence upon execution. This agreement will autom provides written/email notice of termination prior	natically renew for successive one (1) year r to the end of the relevant term. Any cha	r perions on Octor inges due to chan	es in art requested by
pertiser after art approvals and before co	ntract term ends may be charged back to the adv	ertiser. It is mutually understood that no	agreement or pro	mise has been mede in
reference to this contract that is not star	ted herein or attached hereto and that there is on contract.	o verbal understanding of any kind that or	n in any way acre	ct the terms of this
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lent Signature	Repre	esentative Signature:		
Title:	*	Title:		
Date		Date	1 ,	

# Additional Support for Duplicate Payment

### Payments Made by City

- 1. 02/16/2017 \$7,800
- 2. 03/15/2017 \$7,800
- 3. 04/17/2017 \$7,800
- 4. 05/01/2017 \$7,800
- 5. 06/05/2017 \$7,800
- 6. 07/03/2017 \$7,800

\$46,800 Paid by the City

(\$39,000) Contract Total

\$7,800 Overpayment



# Procedures Performed Beginning 10/05/2020

- Further investigation regarding; but not limited to:
  - Pavilion and Bullpen Bar Renovation Expenses
  - Check Register versus Invoice Checks Discrepancy
  - Potential Overpayments and Duplicate Invoices
  - 2018 supporting documentation review



# Pavilion and Bullpen Bar Renovation Expenses

- The Club submitted, and was reimbursed for, approximately \$56,000 of expenses associated with the construction/renovation of the Pavilion and Bullpen Bar.
  - Pavilion \$33,000 Built in 2016
  - Bullpen Bar \$23,000 Built in 2018
- Original support for Bullpen was a picture only
- Support received on 1/15/2021 includes Marketing Agreement and \$44,900 of construction costs from Bassett Enterprises.



# Pavilion and Bullpen Bar Renovation Expenses



Jackson Baseball Club LP 4 Fun Place Jackson, TN 38305

Invoice

Date: Invoice #: September 12, 2018

Salesperson: Payment Terms:

Due Date:

Sold To:

Al Laffoon

City of Jackson

101 Hast Main Street

Suite 102

Jackson, TN 38301

Stadium License & Use Agreement of 6/7/2011

Article 2

Jason Compien

Al Laffoon

Bullpen Bar Construction Cost

\$ 20,000.00 \$ 20,000.00

Vendor 27011 Inv \$ 20,000.00 JACKSON BASEBALL CLUB LP Inv Date 9/12/2018

Ck\$ 26,793.18 8 Ck Date 10/15/2018

Ck# 133099-E

315-44500-900

JACKSON BALLPARK

20,000.00

TOTAL \$ 20,000.00

Make all checks payable to:

Jackson Baseball Club LP

4 Fun Place

Jackson, TN 38305

Phone: 731-988-5299 \* Fax: 731-988-5246

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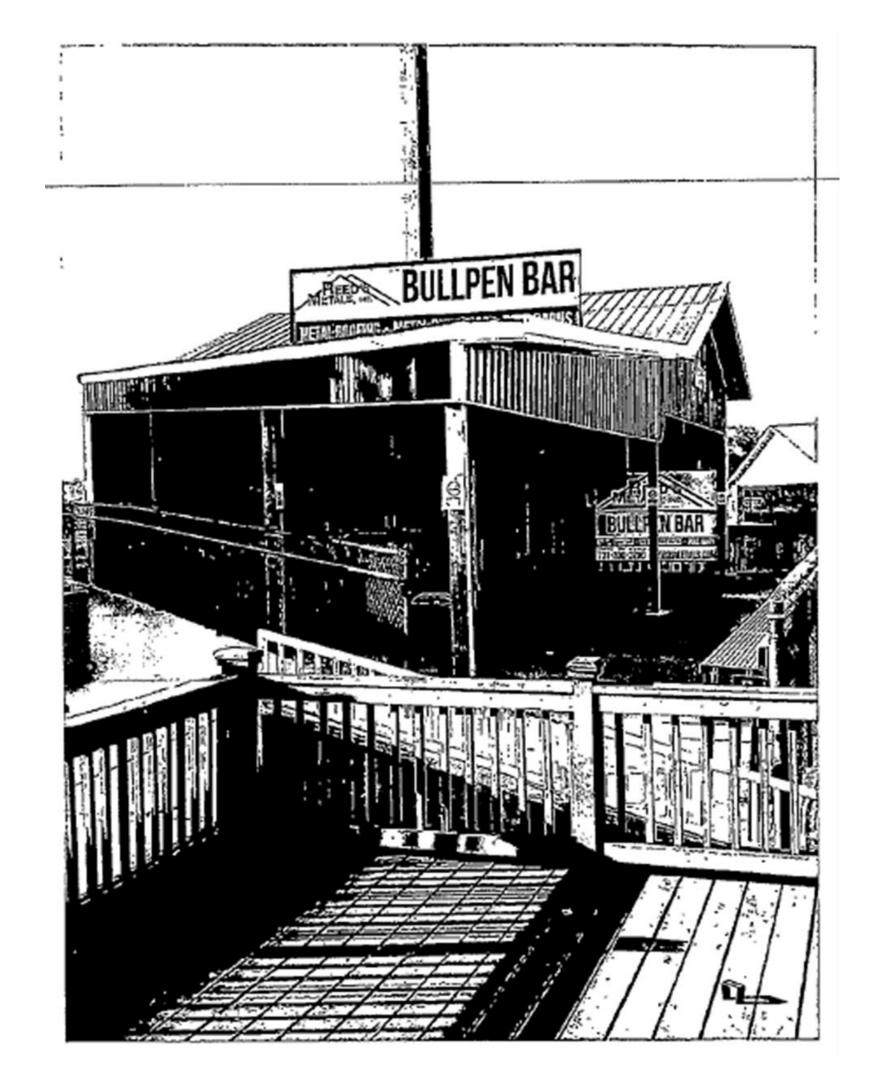
The Crone Law Firm

f. O. denied by Purchasing due to

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with his affeoral. This "20x in covered by the
"50x labeled Budget, which actually was increased by "44x amendment on 19

Pavilion and Bullpen Bar Renovation Expenses





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# Pavilion and Bullpen Bar Renovation Expenses



#### Jackson Generals Professional Baseball Club

4 Fun Place, Jackson, TN 383065

Contract Number: 2018-

Date:

The undersigned	MARKETING AGRE	EMENT				
	hereby contracts for Jackson Generals Advertisi	ng/Partnership for the 20	18 & 2019 season			
Marketing Partner	r: Re	ed's Metals	Alexandria de la compansión de la compan			
Contact	: Heather Stiles	Phone:	731-300-3200			
Address	: 1070 S Highland Ave	Fax:				
		introduction Continues	her@reedsmetals.com			
City/State/Zip	Jackson, TN 38301	JG Rep:	Nick Hall			
Item	Description	Quantity	Investment			
al	D. Illiana Day Manufay Dishta	***	¢ 49.000.00			
Other Ideoboard	Bullpen Bar Naming Rights Bullpen Bar Ad per game	70 ,	\$ 18,000.00 included			
Investment Terms:	\$20,000 of construction cost to be taken into consideration as payment 2018 = \$0 2019 - \$16,000	Total Investment: Amount Paid: Amount Due:	\$ 36,000.00 \$ 20,000.00 \$ 16,000.00 the left. Total due in 2029)			
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# Pavilion and Bullpen Bar Renovation **Expenses**

Bassett Enterprise, LLC

974 Cooper Anderson Road Jackson, TN 38305 US (731)928-5711 bassettheather7@gmail.com

BILL TO

Jackson Generals 4 Fun Place Jackson, Tn 38305



**INVOICE 1562** 

DATE 07/11/2018

**DUE DATE** 07/11/2018

ACTIVITY	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Deck installation	1.	32,500.00	32,500.00
Install 2 decks and demo old stadium seats.			

\$32,500.00 TOTAL DUE

Suite Florina 44,900 Bossit Entarkin The Crone Law Firm



### Check Register v. Invoice Checks Discrepancy

<b>Check Register Payments Not Pre</b>	sent in the Club t	o City Invoice	S							
Check Date	1/30/2015	7/15/2015	8/31/2015	4/15/2016	1/31/2017	6/15/2018	1/31/2019	6/30/2020	8/14/2020	<b>Grand Total</b>
Check Number	100395	104460	105456	111024	118241	130060	135531	147018	147644	
[Unknown GL Account Name]					\$1,800					\$1,800
Advertising (/Marketing)								\$19,923	\$11,369	\$31,292
Advertising Admin				\$1,500						\$1,500
Community Relations (& Infor)		\$31,315	\$1,217			\$57,572				\$90,103
Contractual Services	\$1,052	\$2,589	\$15,899			\$7,085	\$32,071			\$58,696
Furniture Fixtures			\$3,475							\$3,475
Marketing	\$6,945	\$29,773	\$21,660	\$54,408	\$10,367	\$24,061	\$9,556			\$156,771
Repair & Maint	\$1,776	\$6,232	\$5,447	\$13,936	\$2,013	\$6,965	\$2,378	\$2,850	\$26,938	\$68,534
Telephone	\$1,571	\$1,746	\$3,145	\$4,783	\$1,419	\$1,555	\$6,049	\$2,314		\$22,581
Grand Total	\$11,343	\$71,654	\$50,844	\$74,627	\$15,600	\$97,237	\$50,054	\$25,087	\$38,307	\$434,752



# Procedures Performed Beginning 01/15/2021

- Requested to review documents such as bank statements, cancelled checks, detailed general ledger, accounting software, and third-party invoices for the 2018 calendar year
- Reviewed hard-copy invoices, expense and payment supporting documentation, etc. provided by the Club for January 1, 2018 through September 12, 2018
- 130 rows of data entered and analyzed, compared previously missing support to newly-provided support



# January 2021 Findings

- Previous analysis showed 2018 had over \$300,000 unsupported expenses submitted by, and reimbursed to, the Club
- Mr. Freeman agreed to provide documentation for 2018 fiscal year ending 09/30/2018
- New supporting documentation of <u>approximately \$30,000</u> satisfied <u>previously-unsupported invoices</u> that the Club submitted to the City.
- To date, October 1, 2017 December 31,
   2017 documentation for expenses have not yet been received
- Club refunded an additional \$7,318 of duplicate reimbursements on 01/11/2021



# Investigation Report

- After a detailed review of expenses for 2018, approximately \$300,000 of expenses submitted to, and reimbursed by, the City remain unsupported
- Approximately **\$3,000,000** of 2012 2020 expenses remain unsupported
- In aggregate, the Club has reimbursed the City for \$15,841 during this investigation, related to duplicative expenses they previously submitted
- City will seek reimbursement for potentially \$27,000 of overpayments and duplicative invoices



# Investigation Report

- •In the 2011 lease agreement, the City and the Generals agreed that the City would "reimburse" the Generals for a wide range of expenses.
- In practice, the prior administration paid reimbursements to the Generals when requested without verification and, in some instances, without documentation.
- The Generals failed to provide commercially acceptable accounting records of the reimbursements for 2018 fiscal year.
- The prior administration failed to require verification of reimbursement requests or institute accounting for transparent reporting to council and public on the amount the City paid to the Generals. 

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# Investigation Report

- We requested documentation for all reimbursement requests for one full fiscal year, from October 1, 2017 September 30, 2018.
- We received some documentation related to the January 1, 2018 September 30, 2018 time period.
- We never received any documentation from the Generals for the remainder of the 2017-2018 fiscal year.
- The Generals failed to provide bank statements, check register or detailed general ledger or invoices from 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendors supporting the reimbursement request

# Solutions Already Implemented by Mayor Conger: Purchasing Procedures

Purchasing Procedures from 07/01/2016 - 06/30/2020	Current Purchasing Procedures as of 07/01/2020
All items over \$7,000 require three written quotes and purchasing order prior to purchase.	All items \$2,001 - \$7,000 must submit requisition via e-mail to the Purchasing Department prior to buying the item.
All items over \$25,000 require three sealed bids approved by the Purchasing Department.	All items \$7,001 - \$24,999 require three written quotes and purchasing order prior to purchase.
	All items over \$25,000 require three sealed bids approved by the Purchasing Department.



Solutions Already Implemented by Mayor Conger: Internal **Auditor Hire** 

## Tawanika McKinney, MBA

- Extensive experience with the State of Tennessee and internal audit functions
- Hire date: December 14, 2020

#### **Internal Audit Control Procedures**

- Review contract renewals and amendments
- Ensure proposed amendments will be reviewed by city attorney and presented to city council prior to implementation
- Periodic department review to ensure fiscal compliance



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