



City of Lake Charles

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Meeting Minutes City Council

*Luvertha August, Mark Eckard, Rodney Geyen
Ronnie Harvey Jr, Craig Marks, Stuart Weatherford
Council President: John Ieyoub*

Wednesday, August 3, 2022

5:30 PM

Council Chambers at City Hall

CALL TO ORDER - John Ieyoub, President of the Council, presided

INVOCATION - Rodney Geyen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -Luvertha August

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mark Eckard, President or Presiding Officer John Ieyoub, Rodney Geyen, Craig Marks, Stuart Weatherford, Luvertha August, and Ronnie Harvey Jr.

Absent: 0

Also present were Mayor Nic Hunter, Mr. David L. Morgan, City Attorney and Lynn F. Thibodeaux, Clerk of the Council.

Mr. Ieyoub stated items 3, 4, 9, 16 and 19 were being deferred and would not be discussed at this meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2022

A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

1. 184-21

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement with the proposer submitting the most qualified proposal received from the Requests for Proposals for Pre-Positioned Disaster Mitigation Services for stabilization of city-owned buildings and appendages.

Sponsors: Rodney Geyen

Appointed Rodney Geyen Chairman.

2. 410-22

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. HL-138 Police Annex Demolition.

Sponsors: Ronnie Harvey,

Appointed Ronnie Harvey, Jr. Chairman

PUBLIC HEARINGS**3. 418-22**

Public hearing and consideration of the Lake Charles Planning & Zoning Commission's decision to deny a request for a Variance in order to maintain a rear parking area with a buffer yard reduction abutting a residential use to the east and north and establish a bar use within 300ft of a Residential Zoning District within a Business Zoning District at 3231 Kirkman Street.

This item was deferred to the August 17, 2022 City Council meeting.

4. 435-22

Public hearing and consideration on declaration of a blighted property located at 2502 - 2540 Oak Park Boulevard, JTL Properties, LLC, owner.

This item was deferred without date.

5. 436-22

An ordinance declaring the premises located at 919 North Shattuck Street and owned by Cypress Group Holdings, LLC, as blighted property.

This item was deferred to the August 17, 2022 City Council meeting.

6. 437-22

An ordinance declaring the premises located at 933 North Shattuck Street and owned by Cypress Group Holdings, LLC, as blighted.

This item was deferred to the August 17, 2022 City Council meeting.

7. 284-22

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 1019 Mill Street, Towanna Marvette Franklin, owner.

Robert Hester, building inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and Mr. Morgan presented photographs and documents regarding the property which were made a part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 15/30 which were approved by the following vote:

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

Enactment No: 19325

8. 360-22

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 2611 General Travis Avenue, Keeba Barber, owner.

Robert Hester, building inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and Mr. Morgan presented photographs and documents regarding the property which were made a part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Geyen stated he spoke to the owner and recommended time delays of 30/30 which were approved by the following vote: He will track their progress and allow an extension if repairs are made.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

Enactment No: 19326

9. 385-22

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 2001 I-10 Service Road Church Street, Marvin Anthony Constantin and Nettie Lee Constantin, owners.

Deferred to the September 7, 2022 City Council meeting.

10. 199-22

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. HL-53, City Hall Interior and Exterior Repairs.

Sponsors: John Ieyoub

A motion was made that this item be adopted and accept the recommended bid from Dunhill Development and Construction in the amount of \$1,379,000.00. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey

Against: 0

Enactment No: 19327

11. 200-22

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3424, Water Billing Department Buildout at Transit Facility.

Sponsors: Luvertha August

A motion was made to reject all bids and rebid the project. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

12. 363-22

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3367 - WWTP Basin A-08 Sewer Rehabilitation and to amend the budget if necessary.

Sponsors: Luvertha August

A motion was made that this item be adopted and accept the recommended base bid from Horseshoe construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,696,715.00, Alternate No. 1 in the amount of \$224,053.00 and Alternate No. 2 in the amount of \$266,750.00. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

Enactment No: 19328

13. 364-22

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3251 - University Area Red Sub Basin Sewer Rehabilitation.

Sponsors: Mark Eckard

A motion was made that this item be adopted and accept the recommended bid from Horseshoe Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,494,616.00. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

Enactment No: 19329

14. 365-22

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Water Treatment Plants - Various Building Repairs.

Sponsors: John Ieyoub

A motion was made to rebid this project as no bids were received. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

15. 366-22

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Wastewater Treatment Plants - Various Building Repairs.

Sponsors: John Ieyoub

A motion was made to rebid this project as no bids were received. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

16. 384-22

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the African American Chamber of Commerce of Lake Charles (AACCLC) to administer and manage a one-year pilot program that seeks to put back into commerce twenty (20) adjudicated property lots for redevelopment.

This item was deferred without date.

17. 423-22

An ordinance approving the City of Lake Charles' 2022-2023 Action Plan. This ordinance will authorize the City of Lake Charles to make application to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) for its 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funding allocation.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

Enactment No: 19330

18. 424-22

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a professional service agreement with Wynn L. White Consulting Engineers, Inc.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, August, and Harvey,

Against: 0

Enactment No: 19331

19. 433-22

An ordinance accepting Bev Lane for ownership and maintenance by the City of Lake Charles.

Sponsors: Craig Marks

This item was deferred without date.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED BY CONSENT

20. 438-22

A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Lake Charles to re-appointing David Berryhill, Gus Schram III, Alvin Joseph, Adam McBride and Reginald Weeks as regular members and Thomas Sanders, Jr. and Wil Clophus, Jr. as alternate members of the Lake Charles Planning and Zoning Commission. Said terms to expire on August 5, 2026.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 202-22

21. 439-22

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 711 North Prater Street, Alex John, Jr., Estate, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The public hearing date is September 21, 2022.

Enactment No: 203-22

22. 440-22

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 642 Enterprise Boulevard, Louis B. Guidry, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The public hearing date is September 21, 2022.

Enactment No: 204-22

23. 441-22

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 305 Enterprise Boulevard, Jackie Lynn Brown, Roxie Brown Smith, Brenda Joyce Brown, Myrna B. Moore Revocable Trust and Norma Jean Burns, owners.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The public hearing date is September 21, 2022.

Enactment No: 205-22

24. 442-22

A resolution setting date for public hearing and consideration of the Lake Charles Planning & Zoning Commission's decision to deny a request for a Major Conditional Use Permit in order to construct a wholesale warehouse, within a Business Zoning District, located at 4105 Common Street.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The public hearing date is August 17, 2022.

Enactment No: 206-22

25. 443-22

A resolution setting date for public hearing and consideration of the Lake Charles Planning & Zoning Commission's decision to deny a request for Variance in order to establish a bar use within 300 ft. of a Residential Zoning District, within a Business Zoning District, at 1300 North Martin Luther King Highway.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The public hearing date is August 17, 2022.

Enactment No: 207-22

26. 444-22

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake Charles authorizing the City of Lake Charles to submit an application on behalf of the Lake Charles Police Department for grant funding under the FY 2022 Justice Assistance Grant Local Solicitation Program from the Bureau of Justice Assistance for police related equipment.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 208-22

Approval of the Consent Agenda

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES ARE FOR INTRODUCTION BY CONSENT AND WERE READ INTO THE RECORD THE DAY FOLLOWING THIS MEETING AT 11:00A.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL

27. 445-22

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement with Atakapa Services to provide CCTV services for various areas of underground drainage investigation and cleaning.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda as read into the record by Lynn F. Thibodeaux, Clerk of the Council.

28. 446-22

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 711 North Prater Street, Alex John, Jr., Estate, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda as read into the record by Lynn F. Thibodeaux, Clerk of the Council.

29. 447-22

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 642 Enterprise Boulevard, Louis B. Guidry, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda as read into the record by Lynn F. Thibodeaux, Clerk of the Council.

30. 448-22

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 305 Enterprise Boulevard, Jackie Lynn Brown, Roxie Brown Smith, Brenda Joyce Brown, Myrna B. Moore Revocable Trust and Norma Jean Burns, owners.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda as read into the record by Lynn F. Thibodeaux, Clerk of the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the council, Mr. Ieyoub declared the meeting adjourned at 5:50p.m. The next meeting of the City Council will be August 17, 2022.

I, LYNN F. THIBODEAUX, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Council of the City of Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. I further certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the Minutes of a meeting of the City Council of said City, held on the 3rd day of August, 2022.

WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my official signature and impressed hereon the official seal of said City, this 8th day of August, 2022. S/Lynn F. Thibodeaux, Clerk of the Council

I, LYNN F. THIBODEAUX, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Council of the City of Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. I further certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the Ordinances adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said city held on the 3rd day of August, 2022.

WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my official signature and impressed upon the official seal of said City, this 8th day of August, 2022. S/Lynn F. Thibodeaux, Clerk of the Council

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