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Meeting Minutes City Council

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Matthew Vezinot, Stuart Weatherford, Matt Young*
Council President: Craig Marks

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

5:30 PM

Council Chambers at City Hall

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 16, 2025 TO BE TAKEN UP IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION NO. 150-97, RULES FOR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA

CALL TO ORDER - President Marks, presiding

INVOCATION - Craig Marks

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Matthew Vezinot

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Matt Young, President or Presiding Officer Craig Marks, Ronnie Harvey Jr., Donald W. Fondel, Tommy M. Bilbo Jr., and Matthew Vezinot

Absent: 1 - Stuart Weatherford

Also present were Mayor Marshall J. Simien, Jr., David Morgan, City Attorney, John Cardone, City Administrator and Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

The monthly financial reports for June, 2025 were provided to the City Council members by the Department of Finance. The reports include the Budget to Actual Revenues and the Budget to Actual Expenditures.

Mr. Greg Pete, Lake Charles Housing Authority, gave an update on the St. Mary Drive and Greinwich Boulevard projects. He also stated Phase I of Choice Neighborhood partnership with the City and the Parish. should be completed by year end. Phase II will be the senior living cottages. Willow Manor and Woodway Park are in the restoration process.

Mr. Harvey stated that he wanted to clarify that he was disappointed with the actions of the previous Housing Authority administration. During his second year on the council, a public meeting was held in which he and his community were misled about the proposed location of the St. Mary Drive project, which was planned for Moeling Street.

Contrary to some claims, there was never a \$40 million-plus award that was lost due to his actions regarding the potential project. Additionally, no allocation was ever made for a project titled the "Mary Morris Project."

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Stuart Weatherford, Matt Young, President or Presiding Officer Craig Marks, Ronnie Harvey Jr., Donald W. Fondel, Tommy M. Bilbo Jr., and Matthew Vezinot

Absent: 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 2, 2025

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

President Marks stated that Items 6, 7, 11, and 14 were being deferred until the August 20, 2025 regular council meeting and items 22 and 23 were being deferred until the August 6, 2025 regular council meeting. He further stated Items 1, 5, 15, and 3 were being deleted. As a point of personal privilege, President Marks requested Item 24 be taken next on the agenda.

APPOINTMENTS

1. 199-25

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3502 - Kirby and Hodges Street Sidewalk Repairs.

This item was deleted at the beginning of the meeting. The appointment was made on July 2, 2025.

Enactment No: 20347

24. 268-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury for the construction of a new Judicial Complex.

Judd Bares, Calcasieu Parish Police Jury President, 2220 Bonvie Drive, Sulphur, LA, recognized Mike Smith, Vice-President of Calcasieu Parish Police Jury and introduced Parish Administrator, Dane Boling, 1015 Pithon Street, Lake Charles, and spoke regarding the legacy project for the new judicial center. Bridget Evans, 702 Dr. Michael Debakey Drive, architect for the project presented the renderings for the project. Nathaniel Allured, 231 Harrison Street, a member of the Downtown Development Authority, presented a resolution in support of the project. The Cooperative Endeavor Agreement will agree to closing Pithon Street, temporary closing of Gill Street and providing extra parking for employees.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20336

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. 14-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 709 McNabb Street, Gordon Drilling Company, Inc., owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 30/60 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 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20337

3. 192-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 104 North Moss Street, Edgar Madrigal, owner.

This item was deleted at the beginning of the meeting.

4. 195-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1630 Gieffers Street, Dinie Ell Jones Montgomery, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 15/15 which were approved by the following vote.

Enactment No: 20338

5. 196-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2611 General Patch, David Nonette, Melcha Renee' Lymon, Vanessie Mattison and Derek Anthony Guidry, owners.

This item was deleted at the beginning of the meeting.

6. 231-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 923 Alamo Street (front house only), Willie Nunez, owner.

This item was deferred at the beginning of the meeting to the August 20, 2025 regular city council meeting.

7. 232-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 408 Gelpi Drive, Edward Babineaux, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was deferred at the beginning of the meeting to the August 20, 2025 regular council meeting.

8. 233-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 416 Gelpi Drive, Adeline Brown Ryan and Angela (NMN) Brown, owners.

President Marks called this item out but there was on one who appeared on this item. He requested that it be deferred until the August 20, 2025 regular city council meeting.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

9. 234-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 3214 Louisiana Avenue, Edgar Madrigal, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Edward Madrigal was present to speak on this time, but did not speak. Doug Burguières stated Mr. Madrigal had submitted the permit application requirements and he was waiting on the contractor's license. Mr. Fondel recommended deferral to the September 17, 2025 regular council meeting, which was approved by the following vote.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

10. 235-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1725 North Simmons Street, Joseph Pitre, Martha Henry, Marcus Simon, Brandon Simon, and Michael Simon, owners.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Brandon Simon, 2401 20th Street, Lake Charles, LA stated that no succession had been completed and he was having trouble contacting some of the family members. Mr. Harvey recommended deferral to the August 20, 2025 regular council meeting, which was approved by the following vote.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

11. 236-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1829 6th Avenue, Adam J. Ceasar, Sr. and Elvia Ann Ceasar, owners.

This item was deferred at the beginning of the meeting to the August 20, 2025 regular council meeting.

12. 237-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 211 North Hodges Street, Bobby (NMN) Lafleur and June Marie Joubert Lafleur, owners.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. June Lafleur, 2431 Fox Run Road, Lake Charles, LA stated that her stepdaughter resides in the home and requested 30-45 days to relocate her. Mr. Harvey recommended deferral to September 17, 2025, which was approved by the following vote.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

13. 238-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 918 North 1st Avenue (detached garage only), Patricia H. McArthur Baxter, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and stated it was the garage only. David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Patricia Hanney McArthur Baxter, 918 N. 1st Avenue, Lake Charles, LA requested 30 to 90 days to improve the detached garage. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 30/90 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 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20339

14. 239-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1610 Graham Street, Allen J. Mitchell, owner.

This item was deferred until the October 1, 2025 regular council meeting,

15. 240-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2200 Rose Street, R2S Investments, LLC, owner.

This item was deleted at the beginning of the meeting.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ACTION**16. 201-25**

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. LCR409 - Buddy Prejean Park Enhancements.

Mr. Marks made a motion to accept the recommended bid from Gunter Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,130,000.00.

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20340

17. 208-25

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for the purchase of janitorial supplies for use by various divisions and departments of the City of Lake Charles.

Mr. Weather recommended accepting the recommended bid from Economical Janitorial & Paper Supply for Categories 1-7 in the amount of \$373,950.88.

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20341

256-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with Greater St. Mary Community Development Foundation relative to the proposed Hope Center project, and providing for other matters related thereto.

Mr. Marks made an amendment to the title to read "Greater St. Mary Community Development Foundation". He further read in an amendment to the body of the ordinance which reads as follows: "upon HUD's approval of the grant application and authorization of funds, the City will complete the purchase of parcel no. 00471445 1417 Katherine Street and 1103 N. Lyons Street and 00597287 1415 Katherine. The council has already authorized this purchase. The appraised value for the two properties is a little over \$131,000.00 total. The Foundation will be given the site control over the above properties as well as the City-owned parcels at the corner of N. First Avenue and Katherine Street. Upon five years of successful operations of the Hope Center the above parcels will be transferred by the City to the Foundation in full ownership. The City will only retain necessary right-of-ways and servitudes. The Foundation will meet all obligations of the subrecipient agreement, policies and procedures required by HUD."

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20342

Mr. Marks offered an amendment to as" An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with The Greater St. Mary Community Development Foundation for the transfer of ownership of properties (parcel number 00570052 and parcel number 00581771), for use in the Church's operations related to the CDBG-DR Hope Center project." He also stated to further that amendment "upon HUD's approval of the grant application and authorization of funds, the City will complete the purchase of parcel no. 00471445 1417 Katherine Street and 1103 N. Lyons Street and 00597287 1415 Katherine. The council has already authorized this purchase. The appraised value for the two properties is a little over \$131,000.00 total. The Foundation will be given the site control over the above properties as well as the City-owned parcels at the corner of N. First Avenue and Katherine Street. Upon five years of successful operations of the Hope Center the above parcels will be transferred by the City to the Foundation in full ownership. The City will only retain necessary right-of-ways and servitudes. The Foundation will meet all obligations of the subrecipient agreement, policies and procedures required by HUD." David Morgan confirmed those terms would be the amendment and would be to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement subject to those terms.

Fitzgerald Darbone, 2523 Hagan Street, Lake Charles, LA questioned whether this would be a community resilience hub and wanted to know how the grant was awarded. He also wanted to know why the City was spending CDBG-DR money. Mark Tizano responded that this was a resiliency project that would be basically a hub that would be a public service project that would assist people during a storm but also before and after, operating year round. He further stated it has gone through the public participation process.

Pastor Samuel Tolbert, 421 N. First Avenue, Lake Charles, LA submitted a card but did not need to speak.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20342

19. 262-25

An ordinance adopting and levying the Annual Property Tax millages for the City of Lake Charles for the tax year 2025.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20343

20. 263-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to amend the 2024-2025 Operating and Capital Budget to reallocate funds from DR000 - Disaster Recovery Unappropriated Fund to DR009 - LCPD Annex Project.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20344

21. 264-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a lease agreement with Turf and Soil Management, LLC. for the lease of equipment to be used for the maintenance of Mallard Golf Club grounds.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20345

22. 266-25

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible quote and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Bancroft Street Sewer Repairs.

This item was deferred at the beginning of the meeting until the August 6, 2025 regular council meeting.

23. 267-25

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible quote and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Ryan Street Sewer Repairs.

This item was deferred at the beginning of the meeting until the August 6, 2025 regular council meeting.

269-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to accept portions of Riverridge Drive in Riverridge Subdivision, including public right-of-ways, drainage, water and sewer lines, sewer, and traffic control devices, for ownership and maintenance by the City of Lake Charles.

Mr. Morgan offered an amendment in Section 1 to read "The City of Lake Charles, Louisiana does by these presents hereby accept the ownership and maintenance of portions of Riverridge Drive, public right-of-ways, drainage, water and sewer lines, sewer and traffic control devices in the City of Lake Charles as per attached Exhibit A."

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20346

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20346

25a. 199-25

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3502 - Kirby and Hodges Street Sidewalk Repairs.

This item was added to this agenda through supplement prior to the meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Harvey to accept the recommended bid from R.D. Spell, Inc. in the amount of \$167,740.00.

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 20347

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS MAY BE ADOPTED BY CONSENT

32. 305-25

A resolution appointing two members to the Lake Charles Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board representing college list board members for a three (3) year term that expires July 26, 2028.

David Morgan requested that this Item be moved up and taken separately. Four names were submitted by McNeese State University which included two members who were filling the unexpired terms of members who could no longer serve. They were Gerard Mack and Michael Eason who were requesting reappointment. The other nominees submitted were Justin Brashear and Alan Heisser. Michael Eason and Gerard Mack were reappointed by unanimous votes.

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

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 130-25

45. 307-25

A resolution canceling the October 11, 2025 Special Election to be in the City of Lake Charles, Louisiana (The "City"), to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of certain special ad valorem taxes for the purposes described herein, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

A motion was made by Ronnie Harvey Jr., seconded by Tommy Bilbo, Jr., that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: 131-25

27. 271-25

A resolution approving the appointment of Emily K. McDaniel as Director of Finance.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 132-25

28. 272-25

A resolution approving the appointment of Wendy Goodwin as Director of Human Resources/Personnel of the City of Lake Charles.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 133-25

29. 273-25

A resolution approving the appointment of Russell J. Stutes, Jr. as City Attorney for the City of Lake Charles.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 134-25

30. 274-25

A resolution approving the appointment of John Cardone, Jr. as City Administrator.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 135-25

31. 275-25

A resolution approving the appointment of Renee' P. DeVille as Clerk of the Council for the City of Lake Charles, Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 136-25

At this point in the meeting, Russell J. Stutes, Jr. took over as City Attorney for David Morgan.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

26. 270-25

Public hearing and consideration on alteration of existing shoreline (Contraband Bayou) to conduct dredging operations for two boat slips, construct a boat shed, place fill for bankline stabilization behind existing bulkhead, and extending an existing culvert and constructing a new bulkhead at 3725 Burgoyne Lane, by Louisiana Marine Construction.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 137-25

33. 276-25

A resolution accepting Project No. DR010 - LCFD Fire Training Facility Demo & Earthwork as substantially complete and authorizing the advertising of the 45-day lien period.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 138-25

34. 277-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 521 Kingsley Street, Charlie Toussand (Estate), owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 139-25

35. 278-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 2200 Commercial Street, First New Life Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Charles, Inc., owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 140-25

36. 279-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 909 14th Street (shed only), Betty Lou Nelson and Marjorie Nelson, owners.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 141-25

37. 280-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 742 South Lyons Street, Leona Anthony Orphe and Harriet Orphe Tripp, owners.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 142-25

38. 281-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 600 12th Street, Stratton Oakmont Properties, LLC, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 143-25

39. 282-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 2015 Evans Street, Debra F. Landry Celestine, Barbara N. Landry, Courtney M. Landry, Justin Landry, Wilson Landry and Donald R. Landry, Jr., owners.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 144-25

40. 283-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 1118 South Elton Court (shed only), Yolanda Angeline Herrigan, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 145-25

41. 284-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 811 17th Street, Alice Diane Cook Williamson, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 146-25

42. 285-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 2007 13th Street, Dohn Hamic Hoffpauir, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 147-25

43. 286-25

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 3421 McKinley Avenue, Ozee Fisher, Jr. (Estate) and Sallie Fisher (Estate), owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date was set for the September 3, 2025 regular council meeting.

Enactment No: 148-25

44. 287-25

A resolution authorizing the City of Lake Charles to advertise to receive sealed bids for Project No. CP3469 - McNeese Sidewalk - Corbina Rd. to Lake Crest Blvd.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Bilbo, Jr. was appointed chairman.

Enactment No: 149-25

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Weatherford, Young, Marks, Harvey Jr., Fondel, Bilbo Jr., and Vezinot

Against: 0

Absent: 0

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES WERE FOR INTRODUCTION BY CONSENT AND READ INTO THE RECORD THE DAY FOLLOWING THIS MEETING AT 1:00P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL

46. 288-25

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an employment contract on behalf of the City of Lake Charles with John Cardone, Jr. as City Administrator as approved by Resolution adopted on July 16, 2025.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

47. 289-25

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement on behalf of the City of Lake Charles with Russell J. Stutes, Jr. to provide legal services for the City of Lake Charles pursuant to the approval of his appointment as City Attorney by the City Council by Resolution adopted on July 16, 2025.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

48. 290-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to allow more than ten percent (10%) cumulative increase for a change order for Project No. CP3386 - 2020 Asphalt Overlay Package.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

49. 291-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to allow more than twenty percent (20%) cumulative increase for a change order for Project No. DR010 - LCFD Fire Training Facility Demo & Earthwork.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

50. 292-25

An ordinance for consideration to amend the official zoning map from a Residential Zoning District to a Mixed Use Zoning District located at the Eastside of the 4800 Block of Ihles Road (including Rue De Jardin, Chalet Au Dorte, Chalet Au Nord, Chalet Au Sud, Petite Rue, Amy Street, Lodden Street, Lauren Street and Kenneth Street).

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

51. 293-25

An ordinance approving the City of Lake Charles' 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and the 2025 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 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funding allocation.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

52. 294-25

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3469 - McNeese Sidewalk - Corbina Rd. to Lake Crest Blvd. and amend the budget as necessary.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

53. 295-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 521 Kingsley Street, Charlie Toussand (Estate), owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

54. 296-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2200 Commercial Street, First New Life Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Charles, Inc., owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

55. 297-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 909 14th Street (shed only), Betty Lou Nelson and Marjorie Nelson, owners.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

56. 298-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 742 South Lyons Street, Leona Anthony Orphe and Harriet Orphe Tripp, owners.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

57. 299-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 600 12th Street, Stratton Oakmont Properties, LLC, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

58. 300-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2015 Evans Street, Debra F. Landry Celestine, Barbara N. Landry, Courtney M. Landry, Justin Landry, Wilson Landry and Donald R. Landry, Jr., owners.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

59. 301-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1118 South Elton Court (shed only), Yolanda Angeline Herrigan, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

60. 302-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 811 17th Street, Alice Diane Cook Williamson, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

61. 303-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2007 13th Street, Dohn Hamic Hoffpauir, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

62. 304-25

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 3421 McKinley Avenue, Ozee Fisher, Jr. (Estate) and Sallie Fisher (Estate), owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

63. 306-25

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. to renew the lease of a body camera system for use by the Ward 3 Marshal's Office for a five year term.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, President Marks adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m. The next regular city council meeting will be held on August 6, 2025.

I, RENEE' P. DEVILLE, 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 16th day of July, 2025.

*WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my official signature and impressed hereon the official seal of said City, this 22nd day of July, 2025.
s/Renee P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.*

I, RENEE' P. DEVILLE, 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 16th day of July, 2025.

*WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my official signature and impressed upon the official seal of said City, this 22nd day of July, 2025.
s/Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.*

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