

City of Lake Charles

326 Pujo Street P.O. Box 1178 Lake Charles, LA 70602-1178

Meeting Agenda

City Council

Tommy M. Bilbo, Jr., Donald W. Fondel, Ronnie Harvey, Jr., Matthew Vezinot, Stuart Weatherford, Matt Young Council President: Craig Marks

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

5:30 PM

Council Chambers at City Hall

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 1, 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
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL
APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2025
DEFER/DELETE

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE is hereby given in compliance with La. R.S. 42:19.1, that the City Council of the City of Lake Charles, Louisiana, will meet in open and public session on the 5th day of November, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., at the regular meeting place of said City Council, City Hall, 326 Pujo Street, Lake Charles, Louisiana, to consider calling an election to be held in the City of Lake Charles, Louisiana, on April 18, 2026, for renewal of three (3) ad valorem taxes for (i) maintenance of public buildings, streets and bridges in the City, (ii) maintenance of playgrounds and recreation centers and equipment thereof, and (iii) maintaining pay increases and starting salaries for employees of the Police, Fire, Public Works and other departments of the City, and for maintenance of the Police Department three platoon system.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1814 Easton Street, Willie Lafleur and Josephine Lafleur, owners.
- 2. 902-24 An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 410 North Simmons Street, Pamela Marine Swain, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

- 3. 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.
- 4. 347-25 An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structures located at 513 South Prater Street and 515 South Prater Street, Georgiana Thomas Mayo and Simon Thomas, Jr., owners.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ACTION

- An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the North Lake Charles Economic Development District ("District") for the purpose of appropriating funds totaling \$650,000 over a four-year period to assist with the operations of the District and further providing office space for the District.
- 6. 346-25 An ordinance accepting the lowest responsive and responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement to purchase Roadbase Limestone Aggregate per specifications, for use by the Public Works Department.

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- 7. 387-25 An ordinance creating the positions of Chief of Administration and Chief of Operations within the Administrative Division of the Lake Charles Fire Department, and to provide for the qualifications, duties, and responsibilities for such positions and other related matters.
- 8. 388-25 An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to accept Kramer Court, Rutledge Court, Fletcher Court and Helmsdale Court in Autumn Crest, Phase 2 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. The City of Lake Charles will not take ownership of the detention pond(s).
- **9. 389-25** An ordinance authorizing the renewal of the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Lake Charles and The Picard Group.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS MAY BE ADOPTED BY CONSENT

- **10.** 404-25 A resolution authorizing the City of Lake Charles to adopt the Lake Charles Safety Action Plan as part of the U.S. Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads for All grant initiative.
- 11. 402-25 A resolution setting date for public hearing and consideration of the Lake Charles Planning & Zoning Commission's decision to deny a request for a Variance in order to eliminate the required permanently installed buffer fence around dumpster, within a Mixed Use Zoning District, at 2604 Lake Street.
- A resolution setting date for public hearing and consideration of the Lake Charles Planning & Zoning Commission's decision to deny a request for a Variance in order to construct four duplex dwelling units (8 units total) while 1) maintaining an existing driveway encroaching required 15' bufferyard along east property line and 2) constructing a driveway less than 150 ft from the nearest intersecting street, within a Neighborhood Zoning District, at the southeast corner of East Street at Bilbo Street.
- 13. 403-25 A resolution authorizing the City of Lake Charles to advertise to receive sealed bids for Project No. CP3414 Southwest WTP Back Up Power Improvements.
- **14.** 410-25 A resolution by the City Council of the City of Lake Charles to delay any further action relative to the former Capital One Tower site being chosen as the location for the Indoor Sports Facility until certain conditions have been satisfied.
- **15. 408-25** A resolution selecting the former Capital One Tower site for the Indoor Sports Facility, such selection conditioned upon applicable State and Federal funding partners' approval of the site.

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES ARE FOR INTRODUCTION BY CONSENT AND WILL BE READ INTO THE RECORD THE DAY FOLLOWING THIS MEETING AT 9:00A.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL

16. 369-25 Introduction of an ordinance amending Section 5-203(14)(c) of Chapter 24 of the Lake Charles Zoning Ordinance relative to Facade Building Materials by removing "in (14)(b)(1)".

17. 406-25

Introduction of an ordinance amending Section 20-67 of Chapter 20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lake Charles to establish a School Zone along the 3500 Block of Patrick Street with all of the appropriate signage and pavement legends extending between one (1) to two (2) blocks from the University United Methodist Church of Lake Charles Day School perimeter and to establish crosswalks at all established school crossings.

18. 405-25

Introduction of an ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3414 - Southwest WTP Back Up Power Improvements.

19. 409-25

Introduction of an ordinance amending both Sec. 20-78 and Sec. 20-132(b) of Chapter 20 of the City of Lake Charles' Code of Ordinances prohibiting parking on the East side of Jan Street and designating this area as a tow-away zone.

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Lake Charles fully complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Americans With Disabilities Act, and related statutes, executive orders, and regulations in all programs and activities. The City operates without regard to race, color, or national origin. Any person who believes him/herself or any specific class of persons, to be subjected to discrimination prohibited by Title VI and/or Americans with Disabilities Act may by him/herself or by representative file a written complaint with the City of Lake Charles. The City's Title VI Coordinator/ADA Coordinator may be reached by phone at (337) 491-1440, the Mayor's Action Line at (337) 491-1346, or contact the appropriate Department Head.