



**CITY OF ST. GABRIEL  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017 - 6:00 P.M.  
ST. GABRIEL CITY HALL COMPLEX - 5035 IBERVILLE STREET - ROOM 32  
ST. GABRIEL, LOUISIANA**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order at approximately 6:07 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilwoman Deborah R. Alexander  
Councilman Ronald Grace  
Councilman Melvin Hasten, Sr. /Mayor Pro-tempore  
Councilman Kelvin York, Sr.

Absent: Councilman Freddie C. Frazier, Sr.

4 of 5 Council Members were in attendance therefore a majority was present for a quorum.

Presiding: Councilman Melvin Hasten, Sr. /Mayor Pro-tempore

Recording: Leman Raphael, City Clerk

**PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A prayer was led by Councilman Melvin Hasten, Sr. /Mayor Pro-tempore followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC FORUM – 5 minute limit (Please register with the City Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting indicating your topic of discussion.) Topics should be on agenda items and/or city government concerns.**

Cheryl Hasten White appended to her concerns about the number of deaths in the community from December 2016 Meeting. Councilman Hasten responded with comments.

**MOTION CONSIDERATION – Approval of minutes for meeting dated December 15, 2016.**

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and seconded by Councilman York on a unanimous decision with one absent the minutes for meeting dated December 15, 2016 were approved.

**MAYOR REPORT**

Executive Assistant to the Mayor, Ms. Constance Barbin, reported to Council the condition of the City Hall Breeze Way. On motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman York on a unanimous decision with one absent Declared the Breeze Way Unsafe. Ms. Barbin stated that the St. Gabriel Annual Mardi Gras Parade will be Sunday February 26, 2017 beginning at 1pm. Councilwoman Alexander provided additional comments. Ms. Barbin stated the City will sponsor an AAU Semi Pro Basketball League and are encouraging citizens to come out. Tryouts will be February 4 and 5 at the Community Center. Ms. Barbin also gave condolence from the Mayor to the family of Mr. Leon Rodriguez.

City Consultant, Mr. John Chumba, gave an update of ongoing projects within the City. On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace on a unanimous decision with one absent pay estimate number 7 for St. Gabriel Drainage Project in the amount \$251,866.49 was approved for Richard Price Contracting.

On a Motion by Councilman York and a Second by Councilwoman Alexander on a unanimous decision with one absent pay estimate number 5 for St. Gabriel Senior Center in the amount \$59,628.99 was approved for Law Industries, LLC.

**PLANNING & ZONING REPORT**

City Attorney, Phillip Canova, read to Council an email to the City from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality inquiring if the City could accommodate a public hearing for the air permit modification for Adsorbent Solution. There was discussion among Council and Mr. Canova. On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Hasten all items involving the application for Adsorbent Solutions, LLC was tabled pending a DEQ Public Hearing with the following Roll Call Vote:

YEAS:	3	[Deborah R. Alexander, Ronald Grace, and Melvin Hasten, Sr.]
NAYS:	1	[Kelvin York, Sr.]
ABSENT:	1	[Freddie Frazier, Sr.]
ABSTAINING	0	

**INTRODUCTION – Applications for Adsorbent Solutions, LLC for Rezoning their Property from BIP to M1 and Area Variance located at 7100 St. Gabriel Avenue**

Item Tabled

**MOTION TO BEGIN – A Public Hearing**

Item Tabled

**MOTION TO END – A Public Hearing Session and RETURN to Regular Meeting**

Item Tabled

**MOTION TO APPROVE – Discuss and take appropriate action on Applications for Adsorbent Solutions, LLC at 7100 St. Gabriel Avenue for Rezoning from BIP to M1 and Area Variances**

Item Tabled

**MOTION TO APPROVE – A Resolution Revising Mayor’s Court**

City Attorney, Phillip Canova, explained to Council that due to the current case load Mayor’s Court in connection with the need for the efficient and just adjudication of any and all legal proceedings held in Mayor’s Court, it has now become necessary for the City to convene two court dates each month both the third and fourth Wednesday’s of each month. On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Hasten a Resolution revising Mayor’s Court to convene both the third and fourth Wednesday’s of each month was approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a unanimous decision with one absent the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

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**Leman Raphael**  
**City Clerk, City of St. Gabriel**

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**Lionel Johnson, Jr.**  
**Mayor, City of St. Gabriel**