



**CITY OF ST. GABRIEL
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, MAY 18, 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 6:04 pm.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent:

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

Presiding: Mayor Lionel Johnson, Jr.

Recording: Leman Raphael, City Clerk

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A prayer was led by Mayor Lionel Johnson, Jr. 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.

Mr. Ray Brent requested that Council table the Introduction for rezoning on agenda.

MOTION CONSIDERATION – Approval of minutes for meeting dated April 20, 2017

On a Motion by Councilman Hasten and a Second by Councilman Grace on a unanimous decision with none absent the minutes for meeting dated April 20, 2017 were approved.

MOTION TO ADOPT – A Resolution to Adopt the Millage rate(s) for the 2017 tax year

Mayor Johnson went in detail of the City's intentions to levy millage for the 2017 tax year on all property subject to taxation in the amount of 6.84 mills for General Alimony and 10.00 mills for Municipal

Purpose. On a Motion by Councilman Frazier and a Second by Councilman Hasten on a unanimous decision with none absent a resolution to adopt the Millage Rate of 16.84 to be levied on the 2017 tax roll was approved with the following Roll Call Vote:

YEAS:	5	[Deborah R. Alexander, Freddie Frazier, Sr., Ronald Grace, Melvin Hasten, Sr., and Kelvin York, Sr.]
NAYS:	0	
ABSENT:	0	
ABSTAINING	0	

MOTION TO ADOPT– Plaquemine Post as City’s Official Journal for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year

On a unanimous decision with none absent the Plaquemine Post was adopted as the City of St. Gabriel’s Official Journal for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year.

INTRODUCTION -- Application for CSRS, Inc. requesting the Rezoning of three parcels located in St. Gabriel. [Parcel 1 ID: 0510654146 (304.1 Acres), Parcel 3 ID: 0510654146 (233.33 Acres), Parcel 5 ID: 0510654145 (148.47 Acres)]

Mr. Taylor Gravois on the behalf of Petroleum Fuel & Terminal Co. presented a detail Introduction of an application for Rezoning of three parcels from R1(A) : Low Density Residential to M1: Light Industrial. There was discussion among Mayor and Council. On the recommendation of City Attorney Phillip Canova, on a motion by Councilman Frazier and a Second by Councilman Hasten with none absent a public hearing was set for July 20th.

INTRODUCTION – 2017 - 2018 Financial Budget

Mayor Johnson gave a true detail overall view of the City’s current financial outlook and current state. Mayor Johnson gave considerable attention to the 2017 -2018 revenue concerns and Capital Outlay project plans. There were discussion among Mayor and Council. On a motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Hasten with none absent a public hearing was set for June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council.

MAYOR REPORT

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Frazier on a unanimous decision with none absent pay estimate number 11 for St. Gabriel Drainage Project in the amount \$392,191.70 was approved for Richard Price Contracting.

ADJOURNMENT

On a unanimous decision with one absent the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Leman Raphael
City Clerk, City of St. Gabriel

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