



**CITY OF ST. GABRIEL
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018 - 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 6:20 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: Councilman Freddie C. Frazier, Sr
Councilman Melvin Hasten, Sr. /Mayor Pro-tempore

3 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 moment of 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.

Russell Honore gave his thoughts and opinion of the future of the Willow Glen Property

There was some discussion with the Mayor and the audience.

MOTION TO APPROVE – Minutes for Regular Meeting dated March 15, 2018

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace with two absent the minutes for meeting dated March 15, 2018 were approved.

MOTION TO APPROVE – Minutes for Special Meeting dated March 27, 2018

On a Motion by Councilman York and a Second by Councilwoman Alexander with two absent the minutes for meeting dated March 15, 2018 were approved.

MOTION TO ADOPT– A Resolution to Adopt the Millage rate(s) for the 2018 tax year

City Attorney Phillip Canova informed Council that because the millage resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the Council majority body this matter will need to be tabled to next meeting. On a Motion by Councilman Grace and a Second by Councilman York with two absent the Resolution to Adopt the Millage rates for 2018 tax year was tabled.

MOTION TO ADOPT– Plaquemine Post as City’s Official Journal for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman York with two absent Plaquemine Post was adopted as City’s Official Journal for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year.

PROCLAMATION – Declaring April 2018 as Fair Housing Month

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace with two absent the City of St. Gabriel Declared April 2018 as Fair Housing Month.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Johnson reminded Council of the upcoming Municipal Day at the State Capital sponsored by the Louisiana Municipal Association.

Mayor Johnson gave a brief update on the Louisiana Department of Transportation owned LA-30 and LA-75 Turn Lane Project.

Mayor Johnson gave an update on the two Louisiana DEQ Mandated Projects to run both the Sunshine and Carville Sewer Plants to the River. Mayor explained the details of the partnership with two existing pipelines within the City which will ultimately reduce the total cost of the project by \$750,000.

Mayor Johnson gave a report on the 6th Annual Partnership Tax Service Center which was housed at the Community Center from January – April 17 which consists of 1 employee and 5 volunteers, with 100 hours worked, processed 230 returns with approximately \$311,000 in refunds.

Mayor Johnson official recognized Ms. Toya Brumfield, a Senior at MSA East, on April 13, 2018 was 1 of 6 students recognized by Engineering and Science Department at Louisiana Tech for her exceptional computer skills.

Mayor Johnson gave a brief status report of the Carville Levee Trail Project. On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace with two absent KTB Properties, LLC’s Pay Estimate 1 in the \$18,098.10 was approved for the Carville Levee Trail Project.

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace with two absent the following Agenda Item was added to the agenda.

VIII. A. Discuss and take appropriate action authorizing Mayor Lionel Johnson, Jr. on the behalf of the City of St. Gabriel, to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Use Agreement between the City

and the Iberville Parish School Board to provide security at the school campuses located in the City Limits and other matters related thereto.

The Agenda items was added with the following Roll Call Vote:

YEAS:	3	[Deborah R. Alexander, Ronald Grace, and Kelvin York, Sr.]
NAYS:	0	
ABSENT:	2	[Freddie Frazier, Sr. and Melvin Hasten, Sr.]
ABSTAINING	0	

Public Comment on Adding Agenda Item

Mr. Michael Coble expressed his thoughts in favor of the agreement.

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace with two absent the Council approved to authorize Mayor Lionel Johnson, Jr. on the behalf of the City of St. Gabriel, to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Use Agreement between the City and the Iberville Parish School Board to provide security at the school campuses located in the City Limits and other matters related thereto with the following Roll Call Vote:

YEAS:	3	[Deborah R. Alexander, Ronald Grace, and Kelvin York, Sr.]
NAYS:	0	
ABSENT:	2	[Freddie Frazier, Sr. and Melvin Hasten, Sr.]
ABSTAINING	0	

MOTION TO BEGIN – A Public Hearing

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace with two absent a Public Hearing began.

Application for a Variance, Rezoning, and Plat for Proposed Subdivision for Oak Trace, LLC a Tract of Land Located off Knottaway Drive with Sixty-Eight Residential Lots on approximately 17.3 Acres

Mr. Tyrone Williams addressed his thoughts to the representative of Oak Trace, LLC of the impact and ask for his support of surrounding properties will have on his development.

Mr. Michael Coble gave his thoughts on moving forward with any subdivision that the City has drainage and growth impact in mind.

Julie Lomaglio gave her thoughts on the planned growth for St. Gabriel.

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

On a Motion by Councilman Grace and a Second by Councilman York with two absent a Public Hearing ended.

MOTION TO APPROVE – Application for a Variance, Rezoning, and Plat for Proposed Subdivision for Oak Trace, LLC a Tract of Land Located off Knottaway Drive with Sixty-Eight Residential Lots on approximately 17.3 Acres

Mayor Johnson gave a detailed overview of the application. Mr. Allan Butler of Oak Trace, LLC gave an overview of the application and spoke to various concerns that were brought up in Public Hearing. There was questions by Council.

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NAYS:	0	
ABSENT:	2	[Freddie Frazier, Sr. and Melvin Hasten, Sr.]
ABSTAINING	0	

INTRODUCTION – Application for Landmark Surveying, Inc. (acting on behalf of Entergy Louisiana LLC) to subdivide tract of land located at 2605 Highway 75. Description: Subdivision of Tracts 1, 2, 3, and 4 in the total of 727.410 acres of land. Name of Development: Willow Glen Tracts.

Mr. Andy Lauber, Entergy Corporate Real Estate gave a brief introduction of the application. Councilman asked questions to the applicant about future use of the property and about prospective buyers and environmental issues. Mr. Lauber replied that at this time the request is only to subdivide and at this time there are no prospective buyers and conversations can continue over the next month. Mayor Johnson added that because of the current zoning any future use of the property must be approved by the City Council. On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman York with none absent a Public Hearing was set May 17, 2018.

INTRODUCTION – City of St. Gabriel Subdivision Regulation Ordinance and Other Related Matters Thereto

Mayor Johnson gave a detailed overview of the State Law Administrative Subdivision additions to the current ordinance and the update to the Subdivision Sewer Impact requirements. On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Grace with none absent a Public Hearing was set May 17, 2018.

INTRODUCTION – 2018 - 2019 Financial Budget

Mayor Johnson gave a detailed overview of the Financial Budget. On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman York with none absent a Public Hearing was set May 17, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilwoman York with none absent the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Leman Raphael
City Clerk, City of St. Gabriel

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