



**CITY OF ST. GABRIEL  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018 - 6:17 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 6:10 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Kelvin York, Sr.

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

Presiding: Mayor Lionel Johnson, Jr.

Recording: Monique Roquemore, 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 – 3 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.**

**PUBLIC FORUM** – Tyrone Williams expressed his concerns about the possible work to the lots on Frog Bayou

**MOTION TO APPROVE – Minutes for Regular Meeting dated June 21, 2017**

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and a Second by Councilman Hasten with one absent the minutes for meeting dated June 21, 2017 were approved.

**MOTION TO BEGIN – A Public Hearing**

On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and Second by Councilman Frazier on a unanimous decision with 1 absent a Public Hearing began

- A. 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.  
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City Attorney Dillon Bush spoke to confirm, once an application is submitted to the Planning & Zoning committee there is a 60 day window for the committee to approve/deny. If the decision goes beyond the 60 days there will be an automatic approval.

B. A BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF ST. GABRIEL, STATE OF LOUISIANA OF ITS TAXABLE LIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2018, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE MILLION DOLLARS (\$3,000,000), PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; ENTERING INTO CERTAIN OTHER COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITY AND PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS; SELLING SAID BONDS TO THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LOAN AND PLEDGE AGREEMENT AND OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS TO SAID DEPARTMENT; REPEALING A PRIOR ORDINANCE IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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

On a Motion by Councilman Grace and a Second by Councilman Hasten on a unanimous decision with 1 absent a Public Hearing ended

**MOTION TO ADOPT – A BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF ST. GABRIEL, STATE OF LOUISIANA OF ITS TAXABLE LIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2018, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE MILLION DOLLARS (\$3,000,000), PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; ENTERING INTO CERTAIN OTHER COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITY AND PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS; SELLING SAID BONDS TO THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LOAN AND PLEDGE AGREEMENT AND OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS TO SAID DEPARTMENT; REPEALING A PRIOR ORDINANCE IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.** On a Motion by Councilwoman Alexander and Second by Councilman Frazier on a unanimous decision with 1 absent the Bond Ordinance was adopted

**INTRODUCTION –Revise the Sewer and Sewage Disposal Ordinance**

Item will be reintroduced August 16, 2018.

## **MAYOR REPORT -**

Richard Price Contracting has submitted Change Order 4 (Final Adjustment Change Order) in the amount of \$89,822.50

On a motion by Councilwoman Alexander and second by Councilman Frazier with one absent the Final Adjustment Change Order in the amount of \$89,822.50 was approved.

Richard Price Contracting has submitted Pay Estimate Number 21 in the amount of \$124,594.40

On a motion by Councilman Grace and second by Councilman Frazier with one absent the Pay Estimate Number 21 in the amount of \$124,594.40 was approved

Richard Price Contracting has submitted Pay Estimate Number 22 (Final Retainage) in the amount of \$274,718.50

On a motion by Councilwoman Alexander and second by Councilman Hasten with one absent the Pay Estimate Number 22 (Final Retainage) in the amount of \$274,718.50 was approved.

KTB Properties LLC has submitted Pay Estimate Number 2 in the amount of \$240,275.34

On a motion by Councilman Hasten and second by Councilman Grace with one absent the Pay Estimate Number 2 in the amount of \$240,275.34 was approved.

Mayor Johnson asked for authorization to explore companies to enter into contracts with companies with the purpose of providing a plan to change St. Gabriel city Council from a body elected at large to a body elected wholly or partially from geographical elected districts.

On a unanimous discussion with one absent the authorization was approved.

The floor was opened to the general public, resident whom resides at 270 South Club was opposed to the authorization to explore companies to enter into contracts with companies with the purpose of providing a plan to change St. Gabriel city Council from a body elected at large to a body elected wholly or partially from geographical elected districts.

Discussion as to who can appoint/remove a Planning & Zoning member.

City Attorney Dillon Bush spoke to confirm the authorization is up to Mayor Johnson, Council can only suggest appointment of Planning & Zoning members.

Mayor Johnson asked council for recommendations for Planning & Zoning members.

LA 74/30 Intersection/River Road Complete.

Carville Levee-completed laying asphalt should be completed in the next 30 days. Phase II is scheduled to start in September.

Online payment has been started, the numbers are expected to go up as the community learns about this option.

The city of St. Gabriel has an A rating with the Bond Commission.

There are two bids out for a disaster recovery company.

Mayor Johnson complimented Council, Police Department, Sheriff Department, Fire Department, Public Services, and the county for the great work done on the Independence celebrations.

Mayor Johnson and council will do a City Tour on August 25, 2018.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a unanimous decision with one absent the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

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**Monique Roquemore**  
City Clerk, City of St. Gabriel

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