

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021 - 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 6:04p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilman Ronald Grace, Sr.

Councilman Jeffery Hayes, Sr.

Councilman Ralph Johnson, Sr.

 Absent: Councilman Hasten, Sr.

 Councilman York, Sr.

3 of 5 Council Members were in attendance for a quorum

Presiding: Lionel Johnson, Jr., Mayor

Recording: Constance Barbin, City Clerk

**PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Johnson led with a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC FORUM** – **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.**

None registered

**MOTION CONSIDERATION** **– To BEGIN a Public Hearing**

* + 1. A ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ST. GABRIEL, STATE OF LOUISIANA TO PROCEED WITH THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($7,250,000) OF TAXABLE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT SALES TAX REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS OF THE CITY OF ST. GABRIEL, STATE OF LOUISIANA; PROVIDING CERTAIN TERMS OF SAID BONDS; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL OF SAID BONDS; APPOINTING CO-BOND COUNSELS, INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR AND UNDERWRITER/PLACEMENT AGENT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

On a motion by Councilman Johnson seconded by Councilman Hayes, motion was approved.

Mr. William Bradford, Bond Council – briefed Council on State Bond Commission approving the process to continue with refunding bond

Ms. Pamela Mobley, Bond Financial Advisor – briefed council on the next steps in finalizing refunding bond

**MOTION CONSIDERATION** **– To END a Public Hearing and RETURN to Regular Session**

On a motion by Councilman Johnson seconded by Councilman Grace, motion was approved.

**MOTION TO APPROVE –** Agenda Item III.A

On a motion by Councilman Johnson seconded by Councilman Hayes, motion was approved. Mayor sought advice of City Attorney to confirm legitimacy of 2/3 vote for approval.

ROLL CALL: 2 YEAS [Councilman Hayes, Councilman Johnson]

 1 ABSTAIN [Councilman Grace]

 2 ABSENT [Councilman Hasten, Councilman York]

**COUNCIL REPORT**

**Councilman Johnson**

Councilman Johnson proposed that the City of St. Gabriel partner with the St. Gabriel Buffalo Soldiers to host Juneteenth Freedom Ride parade, Saturday June 19th @1:00p.m.; acknowledged pending resolutions of condolence; mentioned removal of magnolia tree at intersection of Ravier Lane and LA 75 for safety reasons, yielding to Mr. Lloyd Snowten, Public Services Director who briefed Council on the necessity of removal

**Councilman Grace** – no comment

**Councilman Hayes** – no comment

**MAYOR REPORT**

-DR Horton meeting with Magnolia Springs Subdivision residents Saturday, February 27, 2021

**ADJOURNMENT**