

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019 - 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 6:05 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilman Ronald Grace, Sr. /Mayor Pro-tempore

Councilman Jeffery Hayes, Sr.

Councilman Melvin Hasten, Sr.

Councilman Ralph Johnson, Sr.

4 of 5 Council Members were in attendance for a quorum.

Presiding: Lionel Johnson, Jr., Mayor

Recording: Constance Barbin, 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.**

Susan Landry – Spoke in opposition to Willow Glen Subdivision.

Brenda York – Spoke in opposition to Willow Glen Subdivision.

Bob Manerik – Inquired about the Attorney General’s opinion on the matter of voting guidelines as it relates to Willow Glen Subdivision.

**MOTION TO APPROVE** – Minutes for Regular Meeting dated September 19, 2019

On a motion by Councilman Hasten and second by Councilman Grace, motion was approved.

**MOTION TO APPROVE** - Ordinance declaring a portion of the property in Section 4, T9S, RIE, Tract Y and Section 125, T9S, R1E, Tract X, as not needed for public purpose and authorizing the Mayor to accept an offer from ExxonMobil Pipeline Company for a servitude across said property.

On a motion by Councilman Grace and second by Councilman Hasten, motion was approved with the condition of amending language to reflect that the land is not an actually being sold to ExxonMobil Pipeline Company.

**MOTION TO APPROVE –** Resolution establishing trick or treat hours for the City of St. Gabriel for 6:00pm to 8:00pm for Thursday, October 31, 2019.

On a unanimous motion and unanimous second, motion was approved.

**MOTION TO APPROVE** – 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 contract to purchase Parcels of Land Located at 110B-112B Ravier Place with a *Legal Description**LOTS 110B THRU 112B RAVIER PLACE SUBDIVISION SECTION 21 T9SR1E.*

On a motion by Councilman Hasten and second by Councilman Hayes, motion was approved.

**MAYOR REPORT**

* 1. **MOTION TO APPROVE -** Resolution of support for the Office of Community Development’s local government assistance program (LGAP) for FY 2019-2020 grant application for the construction of the City’s New Council Chambers.

On a motion by Councilman Grace and second by Councilman Hasten, motion was approved.

**-**Pay App #8 KTB Properties for Levee Trail-Phase 2 for $40,370.14

On a motion by Councilman Hasten and second by Councilman Hayes, pay app was approved.

-Pay App #2 R.J. Daigle and Sons Road Project-Phase 5 for $329,088.40

On a motion by Councilman Hasten and second by Councilman Hayes, pay app was approved.

-Renovation of Code Enforcement Dept.

-Cleaning of ditches along railroad tracks by Public Services Dept.

-Relay of Voices

-Past events – Eastman, COSG gym ribbon cutting, Southern University Ag Dept. and USDA economic development summit

-Upcoming city events – ghostly get-together, breast cancer walk/run

-September Council Meeting concerning public forum on proposed Riverstone Subdivision

**COUNCIL REPORT**

-Councilman Johnson – Commend ExxonMobil for assisting with Hwy 30/74 railroad tracks; resolution of condolence for Daisy Mary Clark

-Councilman Grace – Resolution of condolence for Tracy Wilson

-Councilman Hasten – Red light on Riverroad; water sitting in ditch by Hwy 3115.