St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

St. Charles Parish
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Final

Council Chairman Bob Fisher
Councilmembers Beth A. Billings, Holly Fonseca,
La Sandra Darensbourg Gordon, Mary K. Clulee, Dick Gibbs,
Nicky Dufrene, Marilyn B. Bellock, Julia Fisher-Cormier

Monday, August 1, 2022 | **6:00 PM** | **Council Chambers, Courthouse**

ATTENDANCE

Present 6 - Beth A. Billings, Holly Fonseca, Mary K. Clulee, Nicky Dufrene, Marilyn B. Bellock, and Bob Fisher

Absent 3 - La Sandra Darensbourg Gordon, Dick Gibbs, and Julia Fisher-Cormier

Also Present

Parish President Matthew Jewell, Legal Services Director Corey Oubre, Chief Administrative Officer Mike Palamone, Chief Operations Officer Darrin Duhe, Executive Director of Technology and Cybersecurity Anthony Ayo, Director of Communications/Public Information Officer Samantha de Castro, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works Assistant Director Brandon Bernard, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Grants Officer Carla Chiasson, Waterworks Director Gregory Gorden, Parks and Recreation Director Duane Foret, Eric Zurcher, Public Information Office

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Silent Prayer
Pledge was led by Chairman Bob Fisher (Councilman, District VI).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Bellock, seconded by Councilmember Billings, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of July 18, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 6 - Billings, Fonseca, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 - Darensbourg Gordon, Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

2022-0207

Proclamation: "Vehicular Heatstroke Awareness Month"

Sponsors: Ms. Clulee

Councilwoman Clulee spoke on the matter.
Ms. Tyrell Cornwell spoke on the matter.
Ms. Anne Haydel spoke on the matter.

Read

2022-0219

In Recognition: Michael K. Love, Special Olympics 2022 USA Games

Sponsors: Ms. Clulee

Read

2022-0220

In Recognition: Oneil J. Legendre, IV, Special Olympics 2022 USA Games

Sponsors: Ms. Clulee

Read

2022-0218

In Recognition: Coach Mollie Picou, Special Olympics 2022 USA Games

Sponsors: Ms. Clulee

Read

2022-0217

In Recognition: Coach Kenny Guedry, Special Olympics 2022 USA Games

Sponsors: Ms. Clulee

Read

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

2022-0214

The Arc of St. Charles

Ms. Victoria Bryant, Executive Director
Ms. Maggie Brantley, CFO
Ms. Salonge Smith, Executive Assistant

Councilwoman Clulee spoke on the matter.
Ms. Bryant spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Bellock spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Fonseca spoke on the matter.
Chairman Fisher spoke on the matter.

Reported

Councilwoman Darensbourg Gordon arrived in the meeting.

2022-0215

Department of Waterworks

Waterworks Director Gregory Gorden

Councilwoman Darensbourg Gordon spoke on the matter.
Mr. Gorden spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Clulee spoke on the matter.
Councilwoman Fonseca spoke on the matter.
Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.
Chairman Fisher spoke on the matter.

Reported

2022-0216

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Reported

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN FISHER AUTHORIZED THAT THE ORDINANCE / RESOLUTION, HAVING BEEN PRESENTED FOR INTRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, AND NOT REJECTED BY TWO-THIRDS OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, ARE TO BE PUBLISHED IN SUMMARY FORM AS FOLLOWS IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL WITH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

2022-0209

A resolution authorizing the St. Charles Parish Council to approve the Industrial Tax Exemption application for Bunge North America, Inc., Project ID: 20220178-ITE for participation in the Industrial Tax Exemption Program for potential projects at Bunge's Facility in Destrehan, Louisiana.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Economic Development and Tourism

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 15, 2022

2022-0224

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Providence Engineering and Environmental Group, LLC, to perform engineering services for the Raw Water Intake Structure Pile Bent Replacement Project (Project No. WWKS 112), in the not to exceed amount of $86,800.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Waterworks

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on August 15, 2022

2022-0225

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Duplantis Design Group, PC, to perform planning services for the Des Allemands Park Planning Services (Project No. P220208), in the not to exceed amount of $54,500.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Chairman Fisher stated that Administration requested that File No. 2022-0225 be postponed indefinitely from introduction.

A motion was made by Councilmember Fonseca, seconded by Councilmember Billings, to Postpone Indefinitely from Introduction File No. 2022-0225. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Postponed Indefinitely from Intro.

PLANNING & ZONING PETITIONS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

2022-0210

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A to R-1A(M) on Lot 112-A, Square C, St. Charles Terrace Subdivision, New Sarpy, as requested by Fredrick Kenner & Irma Lagrange.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:
P & Z Department Recommended: Denial
Planning Commission Recommended: Denial
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Speakers:
Mr. Lloyd Frickey, representing Mr. Fredrick Kenner and Ms. Irma Lagrange, Des Allemands
Mr. Frederick Kenner, New Sarpy

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Council Discussion
Mr. Albert spoke on the matter.
Mr. Kenner spoke on the matter.

Proposed ordinance failed for lack of a majority by the following vote:

Yea: 2 - Darensbourg Gordon and Bellock

Nay: 5 - Billings, Fonseca, Clulee, Dufrene and Fisher

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Failed

2022-0211

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A(M) to R-2 on Lots 1, 2, & 3, Square 35, New Sarpy Subdivision, New Sarpy, as requested by Lydia M. Roberts.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:
P & Z Department Recommended: Denial
Planning Commission Recommended: Denial
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Proposed ordinance failed for lack of a majority by the following vote:

Yea: 0

Nay: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Failed

ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING (INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)

2022-0212

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Professional Services Contract by and between St. Charles Parish and Barowka and Bonura Engineers and Consultants, LLC to perform Program Administrative/Management Services in the implementation of the St. Charles Parish Residential Mitigation Program in the amount of $7,250.00 per structure mitigated.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Grants Office

Reported:
Grants Office Recommended: Approval
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 22-8-1

Council Discussion
Ms. Chiasson spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Enactment No: 22-8-1

RESOLUTIONS

2022-0213

A resolution in support of the Planning and Zoning Commission's approval of 2022-10-SPU for an accessory dwelling unit in an R-1A zoning district, Lots 13 & 14, Block 3-A, Lagattuta Addition No. 1 Subdivision, 226 St. Anthony Street, Luling as requested by Elizabeth Tranchant.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:
P & Z Department Recommended: Approval
Planning Commission Recommended: Approval
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened
Ms. Elizabeth Tranchant, Luling
Mr. Lloyd Frickey, representing Ms. Elizabeth Tranchant, Des Allemands

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Enactment No: 6651

2022-0221

A resolution endorsing a waiver from Appendix C, Subdivision Regulations of 1981, Section III. Geometric Standards, C. Lots, 1. Size, b. Width as requested by Louis J. Brady and Mary A. Brady Whipple.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:
P & Z Department Recommended: Approval
Planning Commission Recommended: Approval
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

Council Discussion
Mr. Albert spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Enactment No: 6652

2022-0222

A resolution endorsing a waiver from Appendix C, Subdivision Regulations of 1981, Section III. Geometric Standards, B. Blocks, 3. Arrangement as requested by Sue Cutrer Miller et al (Vitus Properties, LLC) and Marie M. DiGiovanni, LLC #2.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:
P & Z Department Recommended: Approval w/Stip. Approval with waiver.
Planning Commission Recommended: Approval w/Stip. Approval with waiver.
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

Council Discussion
Mr. Albert spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Enactment No: 6653

2022-0223

A resolution approving a waiver to reduce the five hundred foot (500') distance requirement to not less than three hundred feet (300') from protected buildings used exclusively as churches and allow issuing of a Class A-"R" alcohol license for Legacy Venue located at 737 Paul Maillard Road, Suite A, Luling as requested by Andrell Lockett.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:
P & Z Department Recommended: Approval
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened
Ms. Andrell Lockett, Hahnville

Council Discussion
Mr. Albert spoke on the matter.
Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Enactment No: 6654

APPOINTMENTS

2022-0179

A resolution to appoint a member to the St. Charles Parish Civil Service Board.

Nominee:
Councilwoman Fonseca nominated Mr. Patrick O'Malley

Nomination(s) Accepted

A motion was made by Councilmember Clulee, seconded by Councilmember Darensbourg Gordon, to Close Nomination(s) for File No. 2022-0179. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

Nomination(s) Closed

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Clulee, seconded by Councilmember Dufrene, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:29 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 7 - Billings, Fonseca, Darensbourg Gordon, Clulee, Dufrene, Bellock and Fisher

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 - Gibbs and Fisher-Cormier

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

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Michelle Impastato
Council Secretary