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Meeting Minutes City Council

*Luvertha August, Rodney Geyen, Mark Eckard,
Ronnie Harvey Jr., John Ieyoub, Stuart Weatherford
Council President: Craig Marks*

Wednesday, December 18, 2024

5:30 PM

Council Chambers at City Hall

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 18, 2024 TO BE TAKEN UP IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION NO. 150-97, RULES FOR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA

CALL TO ORDER - President Marks, presiding

INVOCATION - President Marks

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Stuart Weatherford

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - President or Presiding Officer Mark Eckard, Rodney Geyen, President or Presiding Officer Craig Marks, Stuart Weatherford, and Ronnie Harvey Jr.

Absent: 2 - John Ieyoub, and Luvertha August

Also present were Mayor Nicholas E. Hunter, David L. Morgan, City Attorney, Emily McDaniel, Finance Director and Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.

Mr. Marks stated Item 12 was being deleted and Items 13, 22 and 23 were being deferred until January 15, 2025.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made that this item be approve the minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 5 - Eckard, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 2 - Ieyoub, and August

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - President or Presiding Officer Mark Eckard, John Ieyoub, Rodney Geyen, President or Presiding Officer Craig Marks, Stuart Weatherford, and Ronnie Harvey Jr.

Absent: 1 - Luvertha August

33. 864-24

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Lake Charles to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with RENEW Lake Charles, LLC, for the construction of a hotel and conference center on the grounds of the Lake Charles Event Center and further authorizing the Mayor to enter into a lease, rights of use, servitudes, development agreements and other necessary agreements for the project.

Mayor Hunter stated that the RFP process that was started in April, 2023 and was the same process used in Port Wonder and Crying Eagle. He further thanked several people who worked hard from the beginning process to help develop the proposal before the Council that included Matt Kern and John Morris with Jones Walker Law Firm, Andrew Hartley, CBRE (not present), Wayne Hodes, ASM, Corey Mitchell, Senior Director, Hilton Development, Jimmy Pottorff, David Morgan, Emily McDaniel, John Cardone, Kimberly Dellafosse, Lauren Bynum, Michael Castille, Gene Thibodeaux, Keith DuRousseau, and Blake Jones, with RENEW, Jeremy Myers, Amy Myers and Jimmy Trache with GHC Architects, Buddy Ragland, Coleman Partners, design group for developers. Those speaking in favor of the proposed project were: Gene Thibodeaux, Keith DuRousseau, Blake Jones, Paul Smith, representing Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser's office read a letter from Lt. Nungesser, Jarred Muller, Bishal Regmi, David Evans, Lauren Bynum read in a letter from Just Imagine, Kyle Edminston, Melissa Buxton, Nathaniel Allured and President Marks read a comment from Edith Edwards into the record. Those speaking against were Bart Caples whose concern was removing existing parking, especially for the events like the Annual Central Gulf Coast Boat, Sport & RV Show, that has been held at the Event Center for 37 years and the sustainability of the new hotel. Also speaking against was Nimesh Zaver who represented several area hotel owners and was concerned about the time span that the city was using to make a decision so he requested deferral. Mr. Weatherford stated that he wanted to know the anticipated debt service on the hotel and clarified that the \$15 million contribution from the city would be used for the meeting and conference rooms which will be owned by the city and not used to finance the hotel.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20167

34. 865-24

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Lake Charles to purchase the property located at 1 Lakeshore Drive from Hertz Lake Charles One, LLC (Hertz), such purchase to include the parcel and parking garage owned by Hertz located to the east of 1 Lakeshore Drive, and to add budget amendments as necessary.

David Morgan offered an amendment to the title and section 3 to read as follows: "The Mayor of the City of Lake Charles is hereby authorized to include any provisions in any agreement which he deems necessary to protect the interests of the city and to pay the agreed amount from the appropriate city funds and to add budget amendments as necessary." Billy Loftin, 113 Michael DeBakey Drive, complimented the city on securing the funds necessary to get the building torn down, however, he spoke in opposition to building a new amphitheater and stated he feels the current amphitheater could be redone, leaving the hotel property in commerce. He also submitted a summary of Parish taxes from 2019 and 2024. Mr. Weatherford stated that he agreed with the idea of keeping the hotel property in private hands. He also suggested charging for use of the parking garage.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20168

On a point of personal privilege, Mr. Eckard thanked the Mayor and his administration along with Michael Castille for the beautiful Christmas lights at the Event Center and other areas downtown.

APPOINTMENTS**1. 652-24**

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Fire Station No. 1 Restroom Renovations.

Mr. Harvey was appointed chairman.

2. 752-24

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. LCR405 - Mary Belle Williams Park Renovations.

Mr. Harvey was appointed chairman.

3. 753-24

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. LCR406 - College Oaks Park Renovations.

Mr. Weatherford was appointed chairman.

4. 755-24

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsive and responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement to purchase one (1) aerial telescopic device body, for use by the Public Works Department, Communications and Traffic Division.

Ms. August was appointed chairman.

5. 757-24

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsive and responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for the purchase of fifteen (15) Transit Shelters with Benches and Advertising Panels, for use by the Public Works Department, Transit Division.

Mr. Marks was appointed chairman.

PUBLIC HEARINGS**6. 753-23**

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 1214 North Jackson Street, Latoya Marie Ned Collins (Estate), owner.

This item was deferred until the February 19, 2025 regular council meeting.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

7. 332-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 207 Gelpi Drive, RFC Homes, LLC, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Jacob Fuselier with Evangeline Bank & Trust stated that the stay order had been lifted and provided a copy for the record. He requested to defer the item to restart the process of potentially selling the property. Mr. Geyen recommending deferring until the February 19, 2024 council meeting, which was approved by the following vote.

This item was deferred until the February 19, 2024 regular council meeting.

8. 475-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2310 Channel Street, Louis Green (Estate), owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. DeMarcus Sowell, 2310 Channel Street stated he had just gotten a permit last month and requested 60 days to continue work. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 30/60 which were approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20169

9. 566-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 1012 Azalea Street, Donald Lavelle Culpepper, II and Theresa Thornton Culpepper, owners.

This item was deleted due to the property being sold to a new owner.

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

10. 576-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of structure located at 1409 Cactus Drive, Brandon Jude Simon and Caylin Renae Victorian Simon, owners.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Brandon Simon stated he would use the property as an investment property and had applied for funding through the City but was awaiting a response. Mr. Marks recommended deferral until the January 15, 2025 city council meeting which was approved by the following vote.

This item was deferred until January 15, 2025.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

11. 758-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2232 12th Street (shed only), Bertha Breaux Guillory, Howard Charles Guillory, Pamela Lynne Wyman and Crystal Sharon Fontenot, owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Geyen recommended time delays of 15/15 which were approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20170

12. 759-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2436 6th Street, Azucena Madrigal, owner.

This item was deleted at the beginning of the meeting. The house had been demolished by the owner.

For: 0

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

13. 760-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2130 Evans Street, Gillspro Title LLC, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Morgan recommended deferral until the January 15, 2025 regular meeting which was approved by the following vote.

This item was deferred until the January 15, 2025 regular council meeting.

14. 761-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2114 Evans Street (shed only), Woodrow (NMN) Joubert, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Geyen recommended time delays of 15/15 which were approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20171

15. 762-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2725 East 11th Street, Locadia Gallow, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Geyen recommended time delays of 15/15 which were approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20172

16. 763-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 3010 General Marshall Street, Clinton Fobbs and Helen Deville Fobbs, owners.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Clinton Fobbs, 1716 2nd Avenue, Lake Charles, LA stated he would like to demolish the structure and already hired a contractor. Mr. Geyen recommended deferral until the February 19, 2025 meeting, which was approved by the following vote.

This item was deferred until the February 19, 2024 regular council meeting.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

17. 764-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1517 Fournet Street (including all three structures), Serenity Oaks Property LLC, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Joshua and Lydia Morrow stated they were part of the RESTORE program and requested additional time. Mr. Harvey recommended deferral until the February 19, 2025 regular meeting which was approved by the following vote.

This item was deferred until the February 19, 2025 regular council meeting.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

18. 765-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 616 North Blake Street, Gilda Marie Jones (Estate), owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was deferred until the January 15, 2025 regular city council meeting.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

19. 766-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2016 Martha Street, Oscar Goings, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Kenneth Goins stated that he had a contractor to demolish the structure. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 30/60 which were approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20173

20. 767-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1917 Hagan Street, Jerome Paul Jason and Gabriel Fontenot Jason, owners.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 15/15 which were approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20174

21. 768-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1517 Martha Street, Don Erik Muhammad, owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Don Muhammad stated he had pulled a permit and was currently trying to repair the property but needed additional time. Mr. Harvey recommended deferral until the February 19, 2024 regular city council meeting, which was approved by the following vote.

This item was deferred until the February 19, 2024 regular council meeting.

22. 769-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2714 Hazel Street, Jack Seay Benniefiel (Estate) and Darlyne Harris Benniefiel (Estate), owners.

This item was deferred at the beginning of the meeting until the January 15, 2025 regular council meeting.

23. 770-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2906 General Marshall Street, Estate of Robert Lee Cotlong and Arlene Baker Cotlong, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was deferred at the beginning of the meeting to the January 15, 2025 regular council meeting.

24. 772-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1514 Pear Street, Edward Henry and Brenda Joyce Ellis Henry, owners.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. Edward Henry stated that he was still trying to get his insurance company to disburse funds and requested more time. Mr. Harvey recommended deferral until the January 15, 2025 regular council meeting, which was approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be Deferred until the January 15, 2025 regular council meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

25. 773-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 408 North Adams Street, Tony Delafosse (Estate), owner.

Robert Hester, Building Inspector, gave a report as to the condition of the structure and David Morgan, City Attorney, presented photographs and documentation showing proof of service which were made part of the record. There were no requests to speak on this item. Mr. Harvey recommended time delays of 15/15 which were approved by the following vote.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20175

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ACTION**26. 814-24**

An ordinance rescheduling the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lake Charles for January 7, 2025 in place of the January 1, 2025 meeting date due to the New Year's Day Holiday.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20176

27. 836-24

An ordinance providing for a one-time special exception to the enforcement of Sec. 12-2 of the Code of Ordinances suspending the assessment of the delinquency interest and penalties related to the late payment of occupational license taxes from the March 01, 2025 deadline to June 01, 2025.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20177

28. 837-24

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to accept East Blue Heron Drive in Audubon Place, Phase 2A, including public right-of-ways, drainage, water and sewer lines, sewer, and traffic control devices, for ownership and maintenance by the City of Lake Charles. The City of Lake Charles will not take ownership of the detention ponds for this subdivision.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20178

29. 838-24

An ordinance amending Chapter 24 of the City of Lake Charles Code of Ordinances Sec. 5-209(2)(b) relative to bufferyards.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20179

30. 839-24

An ordinance amending Chapter 24 of the City of Lake Charles Code of Ordinances Sections 5-301, 5-302 and 5-303 relative to accessory uses.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20180

31. 844-24

An ordinance increasing the amount of funding allocated per home in the City's Home Reconstruction Program to \$75,765.00, along with the construction of a driveway for each home at a cost of \$10.00 per square foot.

An amendment was proposed by David Morgan to change the title to read as follows: "An ordinance increasing the amount of funding allocated per home in the City's Home Reconstruction Program to \$75,765.00, along with the construction of a driveway for each home at a cost of \$10.00 per square foot."

A motion was made that this item be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20181

A motion was made that this item be adopted as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20181

32. 860-24

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement with Motorola Solutions for the purchase of one hundred and fifty (150) APX N70 mobile radios for use by the Lake Charles Police Department, utilizing Ascension Parish Contract No. 23136.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20182

35. 910-24

Introduction and final action of an ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to implement the 2025 Pay Matrix for the Lake Charles Fire Department.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20183

36. 912-24

Introduction and final action of an ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for the donation of property from Halco Properties, LLC.

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20184

561-24

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsible bid and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for Project No. CP3434 - 2022 Drainage Infrastructure Improvements - Package No. 2 - Phase I.

A motion was made to waive the rules to add this item onto the agenda. It was inadvertently omitted.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Mr. Harvey recommended rejecting all bids.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

914-24

Introduction and final action of an ordinance amending Ordinance 20146, amended by Ordinance 20166, to amend the capital budget to reallocate \$1,459,493 of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds from Project No. CP3427 - WWTP B/C Sludge Processing to Project No. CP3404 - WWTP D Disinfection Facility Improvements.

A motion was made to waive the rules to add this item to the agenda. Mr. Morgan stated the reason for introduction and final action is the funds had to be moved prior to the end of the year.

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20185

A motion was made that this item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, Ieyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20185

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED BY CONSENT**37. 867-24**

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 727 King Street, Maxine Bilbo (Estate), owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 423-24

38. 868-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 412 South Shattuck Street (shed only), Charles Allen Tisdale, Jr., owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 424-24

39. 869-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 1005 North Booker Street (shed only), Otis Brannon, Sr., and Equilla Brannon, owners.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 425-24

40. 870-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 1104 Tulane Street, Dwayne J. Rideaux, Jr. and Angela M. Rideaux, owners.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 426-24

41. 871-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 1121 South Elton Court, Addresses of Properties 6, LLC, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 427-24

42. 872-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 2445 Colletta Street, Carol Rae Shinnette and Michael J. O'Donoghue, owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 428-24

43. 873-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 12 River Road (deck only), Patricia Lynn Harper, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 429-24

44. 874-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 2725 East General Wainwright, Earnie Marie Verdin, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 430-24

45. 875-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 1108 6th Street (accessory structure only), Cynthia Marie King, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 431-24

46. 876-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 410 North Simmons Street, Pamela Marine Swain, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 432-24

47. 877-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 1301 Hunter Drive, Harry J. Cormier, Jr. (Estate) and Janice Cormier, owners.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 433-24

48. 878-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 3301 South General Wainwright, Della Johns Thomas, Terry Glen Thomas, Kimberly Patrice Thomas Banks, Timothy Thomas, Delaney Thomas, Jerome Kent Thomas, Barry Welton Thomas, and Curley Ray Thomas, owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 434-24

49. 879-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 2305 Dewey Street, Brenda Faye Gobert, owner, subject to tax sale to State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 435-24

50. 880-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 2111 A Elder Street, Bryan Eugene Beverly, owner.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 436-24

51. 881-24

A resolution setting date for public hearing on condemnation of a structure located at 1608 Railroad Avenue, Juanita James, Macdonald James, Frank L. James, Jr., Earl James, Joseph A. Montgomery, Kevin M. Montgomery, and Kenneth W. Montgomery, owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda. The hearing date is set for February 5, 2025.

Enactment No: 437-24

52. 884-24

A resolution authorizing that a Special Event Permit be issued to Mardi Gras of Southwest Louisiana, Inc. for a series of parades to be held Friday, February 28, 2025 through Tuesday, March 4, 2025, in celebration of Mardi Gras 2025.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 438-24

53. 885-24

A resolution authorizing that a Special Event Permit be issued to Lake Charles Mardi Gras to allow 150 recreational vehicles and 20 horses in their 2025 Mardi Gras Parade, scheduled for Sunday, February 23, 2025.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 439-24

54. 886-24

A resolution authorizing that a Special Event Permit be issued to the Knights of St. Peter Claver #141 to allow for a parade route of 5.2 miles for the 2025 Knights of St. Peter Claver Mardi Gras Parade on Saturday, February 22, 2025.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 440-24

55. 887-24

A resolution adopting the City of Lake Charles Floodplain Management Program Comprehensive Compliance Plan.

This item was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 441-24

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

864-24

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Lake Charles to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with RENEW Lake Charles, LLC, for the construction of a hotel and conference center on the grounds of the Lake Charles Event Center and further authorizing the Mayor to enter into a lease, rights of use, servitudes, development agreements and other necessary agreements for the project.

A motion to reconsider was made by Mark Eckard and seconded by Mr, leyoub.

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20167

This item was amended to add to the title and the body "budget amendments as necessary."

For: 6 - Eckard, leyoub, Geyen, Marks, Weatherford, and Harvey Jr.

Against: 0

Absent: 1 - August

Enactment No: 20167

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES WERE FOR INTRODUCTION BY CONSENT READ INTO THE RECORD THE DAY FOLLOWING THIS MEETING AT 1:00P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL

56. 908-24

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a Professional Service Agreement with C. Mark Gremillion, LLC.

This item was Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda on the Consent Agenda.

57. 889-24

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and an Act of Transfer with ABC Pregnancy Resource Center, Inc. for the transfer of ownership of former adjudicated property lot parcel numbers 00564109 and 00592013 located at 718 Belden Street for the use in support of their community based programs and services.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille

58. 890-24

An ordinance authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement with Landscape Management for mowing services, use by the Community Services Department, Recreation and Parks division.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille

59. 866-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2034 Vito Street, Kenneth Galmore, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille

60. 893-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 727 King Street, Maxine Bilbo (Estate), owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

61. 894-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 412 South Shattuck Street (shed only), Charles Allen Tisdale, Jr., owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

62. 895-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1005 North Booker Street (shed only), Otis Brannon, Sr., and Equilla Brannon, owners.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

63. 896-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1104 Tulane Street, Dwayne J. Rideaux, Jr. and Angela M. Rideaux, owners.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

64. 897-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1121 South Elton Court, Addresses of Properties 6, LLC, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

65. 898-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2445 Colletta Street, Carol Rae Shinnette and Michael J. O'Donoghue, owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

66. 899-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 12 River Road (deck only), Patricia Lynn Harper, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

67. 900-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2725 East General Wainwright, Earnie Marie Verdin, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

68. 901-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1108 6th Street (accessory structure only), Cynthia Marie King, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

69. 902-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 410 North Simmons Street, Pamela Marine Swain, owner, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

70. 903-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1301 Hunter Drive, Harry J. Cormier, Jr. (Estate) and Janice Cormier, owners.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

71. 904-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 3301 South General Wainwright, Della Johns Thomas, Terry Glen Thomas, Kimberly Patrice Thomas Banks, Timothy Thomas, Delaney Thomas, Jerome Kent Thomas, Barry Welton Thomas, and Curley Ray Thomas, owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

72. 905-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2305 Dewey Street, Brenda Faye Gobert, owner, subject to tax sale to State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

73. 906-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 2111(A) Elder Street, Bryan Eugene Beverly, owner.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

74. 907-24

An ordinance ordering demolition and authorizing the City of Lake Charles to enter into an agreement for demolition of a structure located at 1608 Railroad Avenue, Juanita James, Macdonald James, Frank L. James, Jr., Earl James, Joseph A. Montgomery, Kevin M. Montgomery, and Kenneth W. Montgomery, owners, subject to a tax sale to the State of Louisiana.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

75. 911-24

An ordinance extending the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Lake Charles, Louisiana ("Lake Charles") and Recreation District No. One of Ward Three of Calcasieu Parish ("District") for a period of twenty (20) years, until January 26, 2045, current agreement to expire January 26, 2025, to allow the District continued use, occupancy and maintenance of both movable and immovable property located at 3210 Power Centre Parkway, commonly referred to as the Multi-Sports Complex.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

76. 913-24

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Lake Charles to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement for the transfer of property to the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury and/or Calcasieu Parish Public Library for construction of facilities which support library operations.

Introduced as read into the record on the consent agenda by Renee' P. DeVille.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council is January 7, 2024.

I, RENEE' P. DEVILLE, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Council of the City of Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

I further certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the Minutes of a meeting of the City Council of said City, held on the 18th day of December, 2024.

*WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my official signature and impressed hereon the official seal of said City, this 30th day of December, 2024.
s/Renee P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.*

I, RENEE' P. DEVILLE, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Council of the City of Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

I further certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the Ordinances adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said city held on the 18th day of December, 2024.

*WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my official signature and impressed upon the official seal of said City, this 30th day of December, 2024.
s/Renee' P. DeVille, Clerk of the Council.*

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