

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 10th, 1981
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President of the Council, Salvatore A. Caruso. All council members were present with the exception of Councilman Hinton. Mayor Hart was absent.

Councilman Singletary requested that Consent Calendar Item 3c, a resolution amending the Council's Rules of Procedure, be removed and placed as regular Agenda Item No. 1, after which it was moved by Councilman Martinez, seconded by Councilwoman Wood, that the following Consent Calendar be adopted as amended:

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of February 24th, 1981 Minutes

2. Proposed Ordinances: (Public Hearing April 14th, 1981)

- a. Item No. 81-3-286 (Amendment to Residency Requirement Ordinance No. 1351)
- b. Item No. 81-3-287 (Amendment to City Council Archive Act)
- c. Item No. 81-3-288 (Amendment to Weed and Noxious Growth Ordinance No. 1254)
- d. Item No. 81-3-289 (Officially Naming the Howze Park)
- e. Item No. 81-3-290 (Officially Naming the Northeast Park)
- f. Item No. 81-3-291 (Officially Naming the Claude Street Park)

3. Proposed Resolutions:

- a. Criminal Justice Grants-in-Aid Program
- b. Liquor/Beer Applications

ROLL CALL 8 Years 0 Days 1 Absent CARRIED

It was moved by Councilman Singletary, seconded by Councilman Martinez, that the resolution amending the Council's Rules of Procedure, Chapter 6, Agenda, changing the Agenda cut-off time from 12:00 Noon to 10:00 A.M., be amended to make the Agenda cut-off time 11:00 A.M. instead of 10:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL 6 Years 2 Days 1 Absent CARRIED
(Wood/Gallinghouse)

It was moved by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Councilman Singletary, that the resolution be adopted as amended.

ROLL CALL 8 Years 0 Days 1 Absent CARRIED

Councilman Hinton joins the meeting at 6:45 P.M.

Mayor Hart advised in a letter dated March 6, 1981, that sealed bids were received and opened on Thursday, March 5, 1981, at 10:00 A.M., in the presence of Mrs. Virginia Roe, Mrs. Billie Spiers, Mr. Jack Welch, Mr. Dan Yeates, Mr. Carlos Cordon, and himself, for the cleaning and shaping of the W-14 Drainage Canal and the following bids were received:

<u>Name of Bidder</u>	<u>Unit Price Per Lin. Ft.</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>	<u>Days to Complete</u>
Johnny F. Smith Truck & Dragline Service, Inc., Slidell, LA	\$2.99	\$17,940	21
Lake Contractors, Inc.			
Arabi, LA	\$2.90	\$17,400	50
Saucier Const. Company, Inc.			
Slidell, LA	\$4.44	\$26,640	60
W.G. Blackwell Const. Co.			
Sun, LA	\$5.22	\$31,320	60
Magnolia Const. Co., Inc.			
Baton Rouge, LA	\$9.79	\$58,740*	90

*Error in extension - Bid reads \$58,712.00

Mr. Steve Buser, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, explained that although Johnny F. Smith Truck and Dragline Service was not the lowest bidder, their bid had been recommended because of the number of days in which they agreed to complete the job, as the work needed to be done before the spring rains began. Mr. Carlos Gordon, City Engineer, further explained the type of work that would be done to the canal stating that he wholly recommended this project. Mr. Lloyd Walters advised the Council that they could legally accept the bid of Johnny F. Smith Truck and Dragline Service. It was moved by Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman Hinton, acting upon the advice of the City Attorney, and the recommendation of Mayor Hart and the City Engineer, that the bid of Johnny F. Smith Truck and Dragline Service, Inc., in the amount of \$17,940.00, be accepted for the cleaning and shaping of the W-14 Drainage Canal.

ROLL CALL	9 Years	0 Nays	CARRIED
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Mr. Steve Buser advised that no bids were received on the sale of the surplus garbage trucks and that he would discuss the matter with the City Attorney to see if they could negotiate the sale of the remaining trucks.

Councilman Martin made opening comments concerning tabled Item No. 81-1-273, a proposed ordinance amending Section 12-6 of the Code of Ordinances, which would reduce the speed limit of trains traveling through the city limits. Councilman Martin introduced an amendment to the proposed ordinance setting a maximum speed of twenty (20) miles per hour and a minimum speed of fifteen (15) miles per hour for trains traveling through the city limits, seconded by Councilman Hinton. Mr. Buser stated that to date, the Administration had received no specific information concerning annexation of Highway 11 property. The majority of council members spoke against the proposed amendment saying the present law should be enforced and citizens should use caution at railroad crossings. Several council members spoke against the proposed amendment because of the dangerous speed it would require trains to maintain. Councilman Martin, seconded by Councilman Hinton, moved the adoption of the amendment to Item No. 81-1-273.

ROLL CALL	4 Years	5 Years	FAILED
	(Hinton/Martin)		
	(Caruso/Washington)		

It was moved by Councilman Hinton, seconded by Councilman Martin, that Item No. 81-1-273 be tabled indefinitely.

ROLL CALL	7 Years	2 Days	CARRIED
		(Martinez/Singletary)	

It was moved by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Councilman Hinton, that South Central Oil Company d/b/a Freeway, 626 Old Spanish Trail, be approved for the issuance of a packaged liquor/beer permit.

ROLL CALL	8 Years	0 Days	1 Not Voting (Washington)	CARRIED

It was moved by Councilman Hinton, seconded by Councilman Singletary, that the Council's Rules of Procedure be suspended in order to take action on a liquor/beer permit.

ROLL CALL	8 Years	0 Nays	7 Not Voting (Washington)	CARRIED
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It was moved by Councilman Hinton, seconded by Councilman Singletary, that Herschel L. McQueen and Charles LaFerrara d/b/a The Seafood Buffet, 3606 Pontchartrain Drive, be approved for the issuance of a tight wine and beer permit.

ROLL CALL	8 Years	0 Nays	7 Not Voting (Washington)	CARRIED
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1 the contiguous property owners agree to pay their pro rata share of the cost of
2 the project.

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4 ROLL CALL 8 Yeas 0 Nays 1 Not Voting CARRIED
5 (Wood)

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7 Mr. Lloyd Walters, City Attorney, agreed to follow up with a letter
8 stating that the preceding action taken by the Council was within the law.

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10 It was moved by Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman Hinton,
11 that Amendment No. 1 to the Cooperation Agreement between the City and the Slide
12 Housing Authority which would allow for the development of three hundred (300)
13 units of low rent housing instead of the present one hundred fifty (150), be
14 tabled until such time as a representative from the Housing Authority is present
15 and requests council action.

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17 ROLL CALL 8 Yeas 0 Nays 1 Not Voting CARRIED
18 (Martin)

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20 Mr. Lloyd Walters, City Attorney, reported on the public meeting held
21 March 5th, 1981, in connection with the right-of-way acquisitions for the 201
22 Sewerage Project.

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24 It was moved by Councilman Barthelmy, seconded by Councilwoman
25 Gallingerhouse, that Mayor Hart and Roessle and Cartier Consulting Engineers present
26 the Council with a report at the next council meeting with regard to the status
27 of the Inter-governmental Agreement and the User Charge for the 201 Sewerage Project.

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29 ROLL CALL 8 Yeas 0 Nays 1 Not Voting CARRIED
30 (Martin)

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32 Mr. Steve Buser presented the Council with Phase I Feasibility Report on
33 the Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery Program and informed the Council that
34 they would need to make a decision at the next council meeting as to whether
35 they wished to take part in Phase II of this project.

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37 As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

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