

MINUTES
SLIDELL CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 9, 1988

6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the President. All members were present with the exception of Councilman Berault.

Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to accept the consent calendar as presented.

5. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the Minutes of the July 26, 1988, Meeting.

B. Resolution:

1. R88-47: A resolution suspending the provisions of Appendix A-Zoning to allow for a trailer at the Central Fire Station's temporary location on Fremaux Avenue, (Singletary/Washington, by request).

C. Approval of Special Function Liquor Licenses:

1. St. Margaret Mary Church

D. Bid:

1. Water line Installation - Mary & Mayfield Streets.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman Salvaggio, moved to suspend the rules to move Item No. 7. A. 1. Certificates of Recognition, forward.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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Council President Van Sandt presented a certificate of recognition to the City Attorney's secretary, Jackie Fradella for her work effort regarding the City/Parish sales tax dispute. Also recognized for their part in settling this dispute through the Sales Tax Enhancement Plan, were City Council Negotiating Team Members, Councilman Bob Callahan, Councilman-at-Large Alvin Singletary, Councilwoman Pearl Williams, Councilman-at-Large Joe Martinez, and Councilman Phil Salvaggio. Councilman-at-Large Martinez thanked the City Attorney, Elaine Guillot, for a job well done regarding the sales tax dispute. Councilwoman Williams stated that although the negotiating team consisted of five (5) members, one (1) member was always an alternate. She added that during the meetings the "Sunshine Law" was always upheld.

REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTION

Resolution R88-46, a resolution identifying specific capital expenditures, and setting funding methods of same, and Amendment A to R88-46 were discussed. Council Administrator, Davis Dautreuil, stated that a joint Legislative/Administrative meeting was held to discuss capital needs and expenditures. There was a brief discussion led by Councilman Barthelemy.

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RESOLUTION (CONTINUED)

Chief of Staff, Reinhard Dearing, briefly discussed substitution of equipment, within the range of funds allotted, for capital purchases in emergency situations. It was determined that the Council should be notified in advance of any substitution of equipment deemed necessary.

Councilman Barthelemy, seconded by Councilman Salvaggio, moved to adopt amendment A to Resolution R88-46.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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Councilman Barthelemy, seconded by Councilman Salvaggio, moved to adopt Resolution R88-46 as amended.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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TABLED ITEM

Item No. 88-05-1270, an ordinance amending Chapter 11 Article III. Weeds and Noxious Growths and Deposits*, Sections 11-50, 11-51, and 11-52 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, and amendment A to Item No. 88-05-1270, were brought before the Council. There was a brief discussion.

Councilman Callahan withdrew the proposed amendment A to Item No. 88-05-1270.

Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy, moved to adopt Item No. 88-05-1270.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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PUBLIC HEARINGS

As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 88-06-1271, an ordinance amending Section 520.02 B Permitted Signs: Free Standing, of Appendix A-Zoning of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, and establishing new sections 502.06.1. and 520.03.H. Appearing before the Council was Glen Jacob of Ponchartrain Foods, representing Popeye's Fried Chicken. He explained a need for increasing visibility of Popeye's on Ponchartrain Boulevard via proper sign placement. Also appearing to speak in favor of the proposed ordinance was Gill Graff of the Slidell Chamber of Commerce.

There was a brief discussion with Councilman Barthelemy stating that since a favorable recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission failed, he could not vote for the adoption of this item.

Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to adopt Item No. 88-06-1271.

ROLL CALL	6 Yeas	1 Nay (Barthelemy)	1 Abstaining (Martinez)	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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PUBLIC HEARINGS (CONTINUED)

As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 88-07-1285, an amendment to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, to establish the operational requirements for wrecker companies. Appearing to speak was Jay Anthony Musconi, Attorney at Law, representing Katore, Inc. Body and Fender Shop. He explained that his clients have had a problem in obtaining placement on the Slidell Police Department Wrecker Log. There was a lengthy discussion led by Councilman-at-Large Martinez. He explained several points of the proposed wrecker ordinance. He stated that safety and fee control are some of the main objectives of the ordinance. There was also discussion on establishing a review process for those companies excluded from the wrecker log.

Also appearing was Barry Bailet of Front Street Automotive, Judy Carter of Carter's Wrecker Service, and Virginia Faciane of Edens Wrecker Service, speaking in favor of the proposed ordinance.

Councilman-at-Large Martinez stated that he would like a statement added to the minutes of the meeting that he spoke with Ms. Faciane of Edens Wrecker Service, over one (1) year ago about the wrecker problems.

Councilman-at-Large Martinez introduced Amendment A to Item No. 88-07-1285 which gives preference for City companies on the wrecker log. There was a general Council discussion regarding the rotation process of companies on the log. Councilman-at-Large Martinez asked for input on the proposed ordinance before the next Council meeting.

Councilman-at-Large Martinez, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to introduce Amendment A to Item No. 88-07-1285.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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Councilman-at-Large Martinez, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to table Item No. 88-07-1285 and Amendment A to Item No. 88-07-1285 until the meeting of August 23, 1988.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 88-07-1286, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a community service contract with the Slidell Junior Auxiliary, d/b/a Volunteer Coordinating Center. Since no one from the public appeared to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Washington, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy, moved to adopt Item No. 88-07-1286.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Berault) (Martinez Out of Room)	CARRIED
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As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 88-07-1287, an ordinance amending Chapter 2. Administration. of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, to add a provision for advertising for public bids, various insurance coverages for the City of Slidell. Since no one from the public appeared to speak, the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (CONTINUED)

Councilman-at-Large Singletary, seconded by Councilman Callahan, moved to table this matter until the Council meeting of August 23, 1988.

BIDS

Councilman-at-Large Singletary, seconded by Councilman Washington, moved to accept the bid for the water line installation at the First Baptist Church from McDonald Construction Company in the amount of \$9,954.58.

Also discussed was the bid for a 3/4 ton pick up Truck with a Tommy Lift. The City Engineer explained that this truck would be used to transport the cylinders necessary for the chlorination of the City's water. The Council Administrator added that the bids were just opened today, and they are presented to the Council at this time per the request of the City Engineer.

ROLL CALL	8 Yeas	0 Nays	1 Absent (Berault)	CARRIED
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Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy, moved to suspend the rules to introduce Resolution R88-48, a resolution to provide funding for the extension of sewer and water lines to Ecol Village located at the north east quadrant of the intersection of I-10 and Louisiana Highway 433 in the City of Slidell.

Councilman Salvaggio stated that this resolution would provide for the start of work on the Manufacturer's Retail Outlet sewer extension. Councilman-at-Large Martinez specified that this would only authorize the Mayor to execute an engineering contract to proceed with engineering services.

