

MINUTES

SLIDELL CITY COUNCIL

MAY 23, 1989

6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at the Slidell City Council Chambers by the Council President, Philip M. Salvaggio. All members were present except Councilmen Washington and Berault.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Martinez, moved to suspend the rules to add Resolution R89-31, a resolution emphasizing a need for the U.S. Highway 11 bridge across Lake Pontchartrain, and requesting State Officials to forego any considerations for its closure, and an application for a liquor license for Ms. Patricia Dixon d/b/a The Ole Town Ritz, onto the Consent Calendar.

Councilman Van Sandt removed Item No. 5.C.1., a resolution addressing Education, Environmental Cleanups and Protection, and War on Drugs, and Item No. 5.C.4., a resolution accepting responsibility for the removal of portions of Spartan Drive should repairs to St. Tammany Parish Sewerage District No. 7's force main become necessary, from the Consent Calendar.

Councilman Salvaggio removed Resolution R89-31 from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

Councilman-at-Large Singletary, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to adopt the Consent Calendar as amended.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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A. Approval of the Minutes of the May 9, 1989, Meeting.

B. Proposed Ordinances:

1. Item No. 89-05-1356: An ordinance rezoning Lot 1, Square 10, Northside Subdivision from C-2 to C-4 Highway Commercial, as petitioned by Ms. Gloria McCurnin.
2. Item No. 89-05-1357: An ordinance annexing and zoning approximately 0.41 acres of land from Parish to A-6 Single Family Urban Zoning District, located south of Fremaux extension and west of Joan Avenue, as petitioned by Lakewood Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.
3. Item No. 89-05-1359: An ordinance amending Appendix A-Zoning, Section 2.1601 Permitted Uses of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell to include day care centers and nurseries as permitted uses in the C-2 Zoning District.
4. Item No. 89-05-1360: An ordinance amending Chapter 11 Health and Sanitation to place accounting functions for Garbage Services in the Enterprise Fund.
5. Item No. 89-05-1361: An ordinance amending Chapter 12 1/4 Parks and Recreation of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell by requiring the presence of a law enforcement officer at functions having alcoholic beverages available for sale.

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6. Item No. 89-05-1362: An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2230 the Revenue, Operating, and Capital Budget for the City of Slidell fiscal year 1988-89.

NOTE: A Public Hearing will be held on the above listed ordinances on Tuesday, June 27, 1989, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

C. Proposed Resolutions:

1. R89-27: A resolution proclaiming National Public Works Week, May 22-28, 1989.
2. R89-28: A resolution endorsing the program outlined in the City's application for a Community Development Block Grant (Final Statement) for 1989.
3. R89-30: A resolution requesting that the West Hall roadway resurfacing project move forward with all speed.

D. Approval of Liquor License:

1. Ms. Patricia Dixon d/b/a/ The Ole Town Ritz

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilman Van Sandt reviewed Resolution R89-26, Education, Environmental Cleanups and Protection, and War on Drugs, expressing concerns about the dedications of possible proceeds from a state lottery. Councilman Barthelemy also expressed similar concerns.

After a brief discussion, Councilman-at-Large Martinez, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to table Resolution R89-26 until the next Council meeting to consider amendments.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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Councilman Van Sandt reviewed Resolution R89-29, a resolution accepting responsibility for the removal of portions of Spartan Drive should repairs to St. Tammany Parish Sewerage District No. 7's force main become necessary. There was a Council discussion regarding the City's obligation. It was stated that the District does not have the necessary equipment to break up the pavement.

Councilman Van Sandt offered a verbal amendment stating the provisions of this resolution shall hereby be in effect for a period of five (5) years, and shall be reconsidered thereafter.

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy, moved to adopt Resolution R89-29, as amended with the five (5) year limitation.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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Councilman Salvaggio reviewed resolution R89-31, a resolution emphasizing a need for the U.S. Highway 11 bridge across Lake Pontchartrain, and requesting State Officials to forego any considerations for its closure. There was a Council discussion regarding the bridge's use.

Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to adopt Resolution R89-31.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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REGULAR AGENDA

TABLED ITEMS

Item No. 89-01-1326, an ordinance establishing a funding source for an Economic Development Director for St. Tammany Parish, and Amendment A were brought before the Council.

Councilman-at-Large Martinez advised the Council that the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) was funding a significant amount of money, and Mandeville was funding four thousand dollars (\$4,000), to hire a full-time director. He also stated that the City had appropriated \$5,000 in the current year's budget for this purpose. As this would provide sufficient funding for a Director, Councilman-at-Large Martinez withdrew Item No. 89-01-1326 and Amendment A from the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING

As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 89-04-1352, an ordinance amending Chapter 20 Water Sec. 20-7.1. Monthly rate for services.

Council Administrator, Davis Dautreuil, reviewed the proposed water rate changes.

No one from the public appeared to speak.

Councilman Callahan introduces Amendment B, which decreased the water rate for qualified senior citizens from two dollars (\$2.00) to one dollar forty cents (\$1.40).

Councilman Van Sandt, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to adopt Amendment A to Item No. 89-04-1352.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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Councilman Callahan, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Martinez, moved to adopt Amendment B to Item No. 89-04-1352.

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS

ENGINEER

The City Engineer, Stan Polivick, reviewed the Third Street Widening Project Change Order No. 2 with the Council. It increased the cost of the project by twenty thousand five hundred fifty-nine dollars (\$20,559), resulting in a total contract price of one hundred sixty-five thousand, seven hundred ninety-nine dollars and seventy cents (\$165,799.70).

The Council was advised that there were sufficient funds left over from the Rue Rochelle project to pay for the Change Order.

Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to transfer funds from the Rue Rochelle project in an amount sufficient to provide complete funding for the Third Street Project, approximately \$13,000.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to accept the Third Street Widening Project Change Order No. 2, upon the advice of the City Engineer, Stan Polivick.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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The City Engineer presented the Council with a request to accept the Third Street Widening Project as substantially complete.

Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman-at-Large Singletary, moved to accept Third Street Widening Project as complete.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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The City Engineer led a lengthy discussion regarding improvements to the City's water system and quality. He presented specific recommendations which were accepted by the Council, and was instructed to proceed.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Councilman Salvaggio, seconded by Councilman Van Sandt, moved to suspend the rules to introduce onto the agenda a bid for sewer system rehabilitation work and for an air conditioner compressor for the auditorium.

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The bids for the Sanitary Sewer Collection System Rehabilitation Phase A were brought before the Council for consideration. The Council was advised that this work was necessary to continue our work schedule relative to the Department of Environmental Quality compliance order.

There was a lengthy Council discussion regarding the funding including the \$1.9 million dollar sewer bond issue.

Councilman Barthelemy, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, moved to accept the low bid of nine hundred thirty-four thousand eight hundred thirty-eight dollars and ninety-five cents (\$934,838.95) from Heard Construction Company.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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The quotes for the Auditorium Air Conditioning Compressor were brought before the Council. There was a brief discussion.

Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Barthelemy, moved to accept the low quote of four thousand fifty-seven dollars (\$4,057) from Factory Service Agency.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Washington) (Berault)	CARRIED
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DISCUSSION ITEMS

Councilman-at-Large Martinez led a discussion on the revitalization and renting of commercial buildings in the south Slidell area. He distributed information on this subject.

Dr. Ronald Francis appeared before the Council to review his concerns regarding City ordinances pertaining to buildings and business.

Mr. Dean Borne, Permits Department Director, explained the purposes of the ordinances.

Mayor Caruso stated that a Public Forum will be held in the near future for our citizens to discuss our ordinances and their enforcement. Mayor Caruso encouraged everyone to attend this meeting.

Since there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.


Philip M. Salvaggio
Councilman, District F
President of the Council


Davis Dautreuil
Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council