

1 **MINUTES**
2 **JULY 13, 2021**
3 **6:30 P.M.**



SLIDELL CITY COUNCIL
2045 SECOND STREET
SLIDELL, LA 70458

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5 Council President Denham called the regular meeting of the Slidell City Council
6 to order in the Slidell City Council Chambers. A quorum was present.
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8 **PRESENT:** Council Members Bill Borchert, Leslie Denham, David Dunham,
9 Warren Crockett, Eric Shives, Kim Harbison and Cindi King

10 **ABSENT:** Council Members Glynn Pichon and Kenny Tamborella
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12 **ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Greg Cromer, Police Chief Randy Fandal, Council
13 Administrator Thomas Reeves, Chief of Staff John Welborn, and City
14 Attorney Thomas Schneidau

15 The Council President opened the Consent Calendar for a public hearing. No
16 one from the public appeared to speak. The Council President closed the public hearing
17 on the Consent Calendar.

18 Councilman Borchert removed Items F 1-3 from the Consent Calendar.
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20 Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilwoman Harbison made a motion to
21 adopt the Consent Calendar, as amended.

22 **ROLL CALL** **7 Yeas** **0 Nays** **2 Absent** **CARRIED**
23 (Pichon)
24 (Tamborella)

25 **CONSENT CALENDAR**
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27 **A. Approval of the Minutes of the June 22, 2021 meeting.**

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29 **B. Approval of the Minutes of the June 29, 2021 Special meeting.**

30 **C. Proposed Ordinances:**
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32 **1. Item No. 21-07-3382:** An ordinance authorizing the lease of the premises
33 commonly referred to as "Hangar 7" at the Slidell Airport to Prestige
34 Worldwide Consultants LLC and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell
35 to execute and administer a written lease with respect to same.,
36 (Denham/Dunham, by request of Administration).

37 **2. Item No. 21-07-3383:** An ordinance authorizing the City of Slidell, acting
38 through its Mayor, to enter into a Rights-of-Way Use Agreement with Cox
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5 Communications, LLC to facilitate Cox's access to and use of the City's
6 public rights-of-way for installation, modification, relocation, repair,
7 operation, and maintenance of Cox's fiber-optic infrastructure,
(Denham/Dunham, by request of Administration)

8 **Note: A Public Hearing will be held on the above listed ordinances on**
9 **Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 2045**
10 **Second Street, Suite 319.**

11 **D. Proposed Resolutions:**

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- 13 1. **R21-17:** A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell to execute
14 Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with the Louisiana Department of
15 Transportation and Development for the "Natchez Drive Rehabilitation"
16 project, (Denham/Dunham, by request of Administration).
- 17 2. **R21-18:** A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell to execute
18 an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and
19 Development for the "US 11 @ Spartan Drive" project (Denham/Dunham,
20 by request of Administration).

21 **E. Bids and Request to Purchase:**

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- 23 1. Engineering - Slidell Municipal Complex Building #1 and Building #2
24 waterproofing – Jet Set Company, **\$637,900.**
- 25 2. Public Operations – Asphalt, Lowe Bros., LLC - **\$75.00** price per ton picked
26 up.

27 **F. Appointments:**

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- 29 1. **Nominating Committee for Slidell Memorial Hospital Board of**
30 **Commissioners** – Re-appoint Raymond Brinson to a term expiring
31 7/1/2024 (Mayor).
- 32 2. **Northshore Harbor Center District Board of Commissioners** – Appoint
33 Betty Thomas to an unexpired term, said term ends on 9/1/21 (Denham).
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REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilman Borchert removed the following Reallocation of Funds from the consent calendar:

1. To budget for grants awarded through St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office:

Coding	Account Description	Type of Account	Increase	Decrease
26001-33040- New code	Federal revenues OPSG	Revenues	56,081	
26410-61006- New code	Over time – OPSG	Expenditure	35,760	
26410-64080- New code	Equipment – OPSG	Expenditure	20,321	

Change on fund balance \$ -

2. To budget for grants awarded through the American Rescue Plan:

Coding	Account Description	Type of Account	Increase	Decrease
61001-33040- New code	Federal Revenues	Revenues	4,757,764	
61002-85002	Construction in Progress	Expenditure	4,757,764	

Change on fund balance \$ -

3. To budget for grants awarded to Keep Slidell Beautiful:

Coding	Account Description	Type of Account	Increase	Decrease
25001- New Acct	CLPP	Revenue	20,000	
25001- New Acct.	MLK	Revenue	10,000	
25002-New Account	CLPP	Expenditure	20,000	
25002-New Account	MLK	Expenditure	10,000	

Change on fund balance \$ -

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Councilman Borchert stated that he pulled the foregoing Reallocations from the Consent Calendar to clarify that he spoke to the Director of Finance regarding all three Reallocations and she agreed that the final numbers on these Grants should be \$0.00.

Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilwoman King made a motion to adopt F-1, the Reallocation to budget for grants awarded through St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office.

ROLL CALL	Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Pichon) (Tamborella)	CARRIED
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Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilwoman King made a motion to adopt F-2, the Reallocation to budget for grants awarded through the American Rescue Plan.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Pichon) (Tamborella)	CARRIED
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Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilwoman Harbison made a motion to adopt F-3, the Reallocation to budget for grants awarded to Keep Slidell Beautiful.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Pichon) (Tamborella)	CARRIED
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POSTPONED PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilwoman Harbison made a motion to remove Item No. 21-05-3369 and Amendment A from Postponement.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Pichon) (Tamborella)	CARRIED
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As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 21-05-3369, an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, Chapter 15, Floods, Article II. Flood Hazard Prevention, and Ch. 7 Building and Building Regulations, Article VIII. Drainage, to add higher regulatory standards and related provisions, as well as Amendment A, which Amends Sections 4 and 5, deletes Section 6 and rennumbers

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Sections 7 to 9. No one from the public appeared to speak. The Council President closed the public hearing.

Mayor Cromer stated that this ordinance will reduce the amount that citizens are paying for flood insurance and thanked the Planning Department, H. Davis Cole and Steve Price and Associates for their hard work. Councilman Borchert stated that each homeowner should save around \$150 a year on their flood insurance, which in turn puts an additional \$400,000 back into commerce, instead of it going to insurance companies.

Councilwoman Harbison, seconded by Councilman Dunham, made a motion to adopt Amendment A to Item No. 21-05-3369.

ROLL CALL	78 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Pichon) (Tamborella)	CARRIED
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Councilwoman Harbison, seconded by Councilman Shives, made a motion to adopt Item No. 21-05-3369, as amended, Ordinance 4038.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Pichon) (Tamborella)	CARRIED
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PUBLIC HEARING:

As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 21-06-3379, an ordinance authorizing the revocation of the unimproved John Street right-of-way from Old Spanish Trail southward about 550 feet in Slidell, Louisiana, full ownership of said property no longer being required for a public use (Case S21-02), No one from the public appeared to speak. The Council President closed the public hearing. Councilwoman Harbison, seconded by Councilman Dunham, made a motion to adopt Item No. 21-06-3379, Ordinance 4039.

ROLL CALL	7 Yeas	0 Nays	2 Absent (Pichon) (Tamborella)	CARRIED
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LEGISLATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Councilman Borchert welcomed newly appointed Councilman Eric Shives to the Council. He also commended Councilwoman Denham on her first meeting as Council President.

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Mayor Cromer congratulated Councilman Shives on his appointment to the City Council.

Mayor Cromer turned his time over to Planning Director Melissa Guilbeau. Mrs. Guilbeau informed the Council that the Teddy Avenue Residential Historic District is now on the National Register of Historic Places. She stated there are 32 properties as well as Brugier Park located in the District, which encompasses Teddy Avenue west of 3rd Street and east of 7th Street. The Mayor thanked Mrs. Guilbeau and her team for their leadership on this project.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Chief Fandal congratulated Councilman Shives as well as Councilwoman Denham.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



Leslie Denham
President of the Council
Councilwoman, District A



Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

COUNCIL ACTION: **DATE APPROVED** 7.26.21 **DATE AMENDED** _____