

**MINUTES
DECEMBER 12, 2023
6:30 P.M.**



**SLIDELL CITY COUNCIL
2045 SECOND STREET
SLIDELL, LA 70458**

Council President Tamborella called the regular meeting of the Slidell City Council to order in the Slidell City Council Chambers. A quorum was present.

PRESENT: Council Members Bill Borchert, Jeff Burgoyne, Leslie Denham, David Dunham, Megan Haggerty, Nick DiSanti, Kenny Tamborella, Trey Brownfield and Cindi King

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Council Administrator Thomas Reeves, Chief of Staff John Welborn, Deputy Chief of Staff Mike Noto, City Attorney Thomas Schneidau and PIO Daniel Seuzeneau

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

Councilman Tamborella stated that there should have been a change of a reduction of \$500,000 fund balance on Item C-3.

Councilwoman King seconded by Councilman DiSanti made a motion to adopt the Consent Calendar.

ROLL CALL	9 Yeas	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of the Minutes of the November 28, 2023 meeting.

B. Proposed Resolution:

- 1. R23-35:** A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell to execute a contract for construction services with Barriere Construction Co., L.L.C. (State Project No. H.014528; Federal Aid Project No. H014528), (Tamborella/Haggerty, by request of Administration)

C. Reallocation of Funds:

- 1. To move funding for District B projects**

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Coding	Account Description	Type of Account	Increase	Decrease
92190-62059	Council professional services	Expenditure		10,000
92190-62059-NEW	District B projects	Expenditure	10,000	

Change on fund balance \$ -

2. To reallocate funding within the General Obligation Bond 2010.

Coding	Account Description	Type of Account	Increase	Decrease
96002-69533	Breckenridge Ditch Improvements	Expenditure		431,271
96002-NEW	Lindberg Dr. enclose ditch	Expenditure	431,271	

Change on fund balance \$ -

3. To reallocate funding within the General Obligation Bond 2016.

Coding	Account Description	Type of Account	Increase	Decrease
97002-69602	Grafton Dr. Panel Replacement	Expenditure		1,060,274
97002-69604	9 th Street	Expenditure		4,827
97002-69606	Louisiana Ave.	Expenditure		1,999
97002-69608	Ridgecrest Streets	Expenditure		31,865
97002-69619	Fremaux Avenue	Expenditure		175,000
97002-69625	W-14 Improved Project	Expenditure		187,064
97002-69624	DOTD Match	Expenditure	500,000	
97002-06114	Magnolia Bridge	Expenditure	187,064	
97002-85002-0066	US 11 Spartan Roundabout	Expenditure	400,000	
97002-85002-0067	Robert Country Club Roundabout	Expenditure	400,000	
97002-85002-0092	Park Place Drainage	Expenditure	450,000	
97002-85999	Undesignated	Expenditure	23,965	

Change on fund balance **(\$500,000.00)**

D. Project Acceptance:

1. CDBG Ducksworth Park Playground, Slidell File No: 5000-44.

E. Appointments:

1. **Civil Service Board** – re-appoint Kenneth Lacourrege to a four-year term,

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ending on January 1, 2028. (Civil Service League).

REGULAR AGENDA

AUDIT PRESENTATION

Mr. James Tonglet of Ericksen Krentel presented the annual audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. Mr. Tonglet gave a brief overview of the audit report and highlights of the financial statements.

Mr. Tonglet thanked the Finance Department for a smooth auditing process. He further stated that the City should once again receive the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for its reporting and stated that the audit showed good clean financial results.

PUBLIC HEARING

As advertised, a public hearing was held on R23-34, a resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), on Saturday, November 18, 2023, to amend the City's Home Rule Charter as proposed; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. No one appeared to speak. The Council President closed the public hearing. Councilman Brownfield seconded by Councilwoman Haggerty made a motion to adopt Resolution R23-34.

ROLL CALL	9 Yeas	0 Nays	0 Absent	CARRIED
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As advertised, a public hearing was held on Item No. 23-11-3497, an ordinance declaring certain City property, being 0.740 acres of land, more or less, part of Cleveland Avenue (Extension) in Sec. 44, T9S, R14E, in Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, to be surplus property no longer required for public use, and authorizing its transfer to Robin W. Goldsmith, in full and final settlement of the legal action entitled and captioned *Robin W. Goldsmith, et al. v The City of Slidell, et al.*, Docket No. 2016-11761 "D", 22nd Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana. No one from the public appeared to speak. The Council President closed the public hearing. Councilwoman Denham seconded by Councilman DiSanti made a motion to adopt Item No. 23-11-3497, Ordinance No. 4147

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LEGISLATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Councilwoman King thanked the City Administration on a clean audit report.

Councilman Borchert reminded everyone that the next Council Meeting will be on December 19, 2023.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Mr. Welborn reported that there is a 5K race through Olde Towne on Saturday followed by a block party on Cousin Street. Also there will be an "Under the Umbrella's" event on Sunday on 10-6. Lastly, there will be a movie night on Saturday in Heritage.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Police PIO Daniel Seuzeneau, stated that the Police Department has patrols focused on shopping centers to prevent shop lifters.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



Kenny Tamborella
President of the Council
Councilman, District E



Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

COUNCIL ACTION: **DATE APPROVED** 12-19-23 **DATE AMENDED** _____