

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN ON FEBRUARY 9, 2015, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney D. Arceneaux
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux
Councilwoman Barbara Duhe

Councilman David Guitreau
Councilman Terance Irvin
Councilman Kenneth Matassa

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Erin Lanoux, City Attorney
Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Clay Stafford, City Clerk

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve the Minutes from the City Council Meeting, held on January 12, 2015. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, to approve the request of Ms. Ora Jones to operate a Phlebotomy School at 1425 S. Purpera. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau, to approve the preliminary plat of Commerce Place Subdivision, situated on the north side of W. Orice Roth Street and encompassing 15 lots, as shown on a map by McLin and Associates, professional land surveyors. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilwoman Barbara Duhe to approve the request of River Region Art Association for a Special Event Permit to use Jambalaya Park for an Awesome Art on the Bayou Festival to be held October 10th, & 11th, 2015. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to approve the request of Mr. Doug Diez and Point Andrew LLC to annex 12.46 acres situated on Churchpoint Road east of N. Airline Hwy. into the city limits of Gonzales.

Substitute motion by Councilman Terance Irvin to deny the request.

Motion failed for lack of a second.

Final vote on the original motion:

YEAS: Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilwoman Barbara Duhe, Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kenneth Matassa

NAYS: Councilman Terance Irvin ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Terance Irvin to declare as surplus the following described property:

2002 Ford Expedition - Police	Vin# IFMRU15WX2LA16881
2004 Ford Crown Victoria - Police	Vin# 2FAFP71W94X175832
2005 Ford Crown Victoria - Police	Vin# 2FAFP71W75X151692
2004 Ford F250 – Drainage	Vin# 1FTNF20L94EA01957
2002 Chevrolet 1500 Pickup – Animal Control	Vin# 1GCEC14W02Z330592
2002 Chevrolet 1500 Pickup – Recreation	Vin# 1GCEC14W627219899
2002 Chevrolet 1500 Pickup - Recreation	Vin# 1GCEC14W627211025
1998 Ditch Witch M512 model A420 – Utilities	Vin# 1P2655

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There was then a public hearing to consider the Request of the Estate of Thomas Keating to Rezone the 25.38 acre Tract E. situated on the east side of S. Burnside Avenue from its existing C-1 zone to a C-2 zone with a Special Use Permit.

Mayor Arceneaux opened the public hearing.

City Clerk Clay Stafford stated that the request for the special use permit would include the following language:

In addition to the allowable uses of the C-2 Zone, claimant and its successors and assigns, is hereby issued a Special Use Permit allowing the following uses:

Engineering, Application Development And Systems Integration, Technical Training and Education, Sales and Engineering of Various Products, Testing, Calibration and Servicing of

Various Products, Fabrication and Assembly of Various Products, a Fenced or Screened Lay-Down Yard, and Warehousing in excess of ten thousand (10,000) square feet.

Stephen Duplechain presented the request on behalf of the appellant. He thinks this C-2 request represents an appropriate use for the tract considering the industrial zoning across the street and especially in light of the fact that it lies across from the city's wastewater treatment plant. He does not believe that the intended retail use of the current C-1 zoning is a reasonable expectation or a reasonable use for this property.

Councilman Irvin suggested that although the city council was within its rights to take up this rezoning request, it should be sent back to the Planning and Zoning Commission for further consideration.

Councilman Matassa stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission had previously unanimously approved this request, and that he believes this is an ideal location for C-2 zoning considering the proximity of the property to other industrial zoning.

Mayor Arceneaux closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to Introduce Ordinance No. 3056:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS KEATING TO REZONE THE 25.38 ACRE TRACT E. SITUATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF S. BURNSIDE AVENUE FROM ITS EXISTING C-1 ZONE TO A C-2 ZONE WITH A SPECIAL USE PERMIT AS FOLLOWS:

In addition to the allowable uses of the C-2 Zone, claimant and its successors and assigns, is hereby issued a Special Use Permit allowing the following uses:

Engineering, Application Development And Systems Integration, Technical Training and Education, Sales and Engineering of Various Products, Testing, Calibration and Servicing of Various Products, Fabrication and Assembly of Various Products, a Fenced or Screened Lay-Down Yard, and Warehousing in excess of ten thousand (10,000) square feet.

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:

That the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning. Section 22-4 Boundaries of Districts be hereby amended as follows:

Chapter 22. Zoning

Sec. 22-4. Boundaries of Districts:

A certain parcel of property consisting of the 25.38 acre Tract E situated on the east side of S. Burnside Avenue.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next City Council Meeting scheduled for February 23, 2015.

There was then a public hearing to consider the Request of Alvin Turner Jr. to Rezone the 28.09 acres at W. Worthey and S. Darla Ave. from its existing R-8 zone to an R-6 zone.

Mayor Arceneaux opened the public hearing.

Mr. Tyrone Smith, 1622 W. Terry Street, was opposed to the request and entered the attached statement into the minutes.

Councilman Irvin encouraged the city council to send this request back to the Planning and Zoning Commission for further consideration.

Mayor Arceneaux assured Councilman Irvin that all required procedures and due process had been followed in calling for this hearing.

Mayor Arceneaux closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to Introduce Ordinance No. 3057:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST OF ALVIN TURNER JR. TO REZONE THE 28.09 ACRES AT W. WORTHEY AND S. DARLA AVE. FROM ITS EXISTING R-8 ZONE TO AN R-6 ZONE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:

That the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning. Section 22-4 Boundaries of Districts be hereby amended as follows:

Chapter 22. Zoning

Sec. 22-4. Boundaries of Districts:

A certain parcel of property consisting of the 28.09 acres at W. Worthey and S. Darla Ave.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next City Council Meeting scheduled for February 23, 2015.

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to publish the following Notice of a Public Hearing:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the City of Gonzales will hold a Public Hearing on March 16, 2015 at 5:30 P.M. in the conference room at City Hall to consider the request of the Gonzales City Council to rezone the following property from an R-6 zone to an R-3-NC zone.

A certain parcel of property with a beginning point at the end of N. Patricia Avenue, then proceeding east approximately 100 feet, then south approximately 700 feet, then west approximately 300 feet, then north approximately 200 feet, then east approximately 200 feet, then north approximately 500 feet to the point of origin.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve the position of Public Information Officer at Range 10. UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, to accept the low bid from Gulf Coast Underground on the Sewer Rehabilitation & I/I Reduction Project from the following bids received:

Don M. Barron Contractor, Inc.	\$2,275,189.50
Grady Crawford Construction Co., Inc.	\$1,936,809.00
Gulf Coast Underground, LLC	\$1,538,150.00

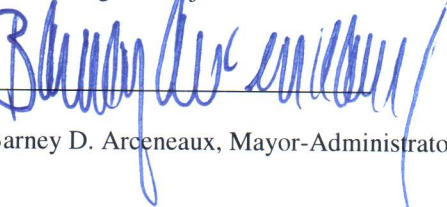
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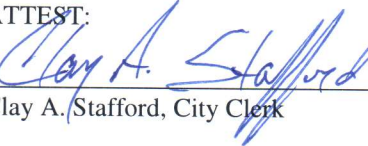
Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, to accept the low bid from Barrier Construction on the 2015 Road Maintenance Project from the following bids received:

Barber Brothers	\$1,024,315.50
Barrier Construction	\$791,344.50
Coastal Bridge Company	\$947,148.15
FG Sullivan, Jr. Contractor	\$978,984.50
RJ Daigle & Sons	\$803,948.58

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There being no further business to come before the City Council and upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.


Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor-Administrator

ATTEST:

Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk