

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON MAY 26, 2015, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney D. Arceneaux
Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman Terance Irvin

Councilman Kenneth Matassa
Councilman Harold Stewart
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Lisa Babin, Administrative Clerk
Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Clay Stafford, City Clerk
Matt Percy, Acting City Attorney

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the Minutes from the City Council Meeting, held on May 11, 2015.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa,
Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kenneth Matassa, seconded by Councilman Terance Irvin to contribute \$2,500 to the Leadership Ascension Foundation in support of their project for installation of new street signage at major intersections within the City of Gonzales.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa,
Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to table the request of Mrs. Veronica Hillard for a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Gonzales and the "FINS" Families in Need Program requesting contributions to help fund the program, pending further research by the City Attorney.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa,
Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance No. 3061:

The following Ordinance which was previously introduced in written form at a regular meeting of the City Council on April 13, 2015, a Notice of Public Hearing having been published in the official journal and which public hearing was held in accordance with said public notice, was offered by Councilman Terance Irvin and seconded by Councilman Kenneth Matassa:

ORDINANCE # 3061

An ordinance directing the renewal of the levy and collection of an ad valorem tax of 3.27 mills on the dollar of assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation within the geographic boundaries of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2016 and ending with the year 2025, authorized under the provisions of Article VI, Section 27(B) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority as applicable, for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing, maintaining, and operating fire department stations and equipment and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Article VI, Section 27(B) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, including an election held in the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City") on March 28, 2015, the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, desires to renew the levy and collection of the ad valorem tax as

authorized at the election by virtue of the favorable passage of the proposition attached hereto as **Schedule A** setting forth the rate and duration of the tax; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the provisions of said authority and other applicable constitutional and statutory authority, an election was held in the City on Saturday, March 28, 2015, to authorize the renewal of the levy of the ad valorem tax, it is now the desire of this City to renew the levy of the ad valorem tax and to provide for the continued collection thereof and other matters in connection therewith as hereinafter provided in this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the City, that:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the authority of an election held in the City on March 28, 2015, there be and there is hereby levied within the geographic boundaries of the City for the purposes stated in the proposition attached hereto as **Schedule A**, an ad valorem tax of 3.27 mills on the dollar of assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the City, beginning with the year 2016 and ending with the year 2025, to be dedicated and used for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing, maintaining, and operating fire department stations and equipment and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

SECTION 2. That the ad valorem tax described in Section 1 above shall continue to be levied, assessed, imposed, collected, paid and enforced according to law.

SECTION 3. The obligations and rights of taxpayers in connection with the ad valorem tax levied hereby shall be as provided taxpayers by the provisions of law applicable to ad valorem taxes levied by the City.

SECTION 4. If any one or more of the provisions of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance, but this Ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this Ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this Ordinance which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Upon adoption, this Ordinance shall be published in full in one (1) issue of the *Gonzales Weekly Citizen* and shall be recorded in the mortgage records of the Ascension Parish Clerk of Court.

SECTION 6. The Mayor of the City be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all such action as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall immediately take effect upon adoption.

SCHEDULE A

**PROPOSITION
(TAX RENEWAL)**

Shall the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City") be authorized to renew the levy and collection of a tax of 3.27 mills on assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the City (an estimated \$405,714.00 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year) (the "Tax"), for a period of ten (10) years beginning with the year 2016 and ending with the year 2025, with the proceeds of the Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collection and administering the Tax), to be dedicated and used for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing, maintaining, and operating fire department stations and equipment and providing for other matters in connection therewith?

This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa
Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance No. 3069:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST OF MR. AL HUSSER TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED ON W.WORTHEY RD 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:

Lots 6-A, 6-B, 7-A, 7-B, 7-C, 8-A, 8-B, 9-A, and 9-B situated on W. Worthey Road.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Kenneth Matassa, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: Terance Irvin

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance No. 3070:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST OF MR. NOLAN LAMENDOLA TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM AN R-15 ZONE TO A C-2 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 piece of property consisting of 1.96 acres situated on the north side of W. Orice Roth Road at the intersection of W. Orice Roth Road and S. Veterans Blvd.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Kenneth Matassa, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: Terance Irvin

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance No. 3071:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST OF A.S. BROTHERS AND STEWART INSTRUMENTS TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM A C-1 ZONE TO AN I-1 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 piece of property consisting of Lots 1-5 situated on the west side of S. Burnside Avenue approximately 1900 feet south of the intersection of S. Burnside and La. Hwy. 30.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Kenneth Matassa, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: Councilman Terance Irvin

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance No. 3072:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST

OF PRICECO L.C. TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM ITS CURRENT C-1/R-15 ZONES TO A C-2 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 27.92 acre portion of the PriceCo, L.C. Tract on S. Burnside from its current C-1/R-15 zoning to a C-2 zone.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Kenneth Matassa, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: Councilman Terance Irvin

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance No. 3073:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST OF MR. CHRIS SHEETS TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM ITS R-8 ZONE TO A C-2 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:

Two certain parcels of the Nadine Sheets Property consisting of 3.17 acres, situated south of W. Orice Roth Street and collectively known as Lot 4.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

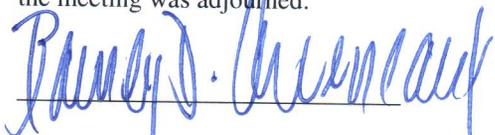
Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to adopt Resolution No. 2842: A Resolution adopting the Parish-Wide Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2015.

YEAS: Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman Terance Irvin, Councilman Kenneth Matassa, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

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