

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON DECEMBER 11, 2017, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL, 120 S. IRMA BLVD.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney Arceneaux
Councilman Harold Stewart
Councilman Tyler Turner

Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Lisa Babin, Administrative Secretary
Resa Tureau Finance Director
Erin Lanoux, City Attorney

Scot Byrd, Chief Administrative Officer
Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the preliminary plat of East West Landco, LLC, a simple re-subdivision of lots 53 thru 61, Lot 63, and Tract D-1-A, formerly a portion of the Belle Rina Subdivision for East West Landco, LLC, as shown on a map by Earles and Associates, LLC, dated November 2017, contingent on the correction of the proper dimensions of the western boundary line of Lots 52 and 52A.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to approve the final plat of Pricoco, LLC, showing the re-subdivision of Lot P-CO-1 & Lot P-CO-2, along Hwy 44, LLC, as shown on a map by Patin Engineers & Surveyors, LLC.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to approve the recommendation of the Zoning Commission for approval of a hardship variance for the lot located at 1036 S. Arceneaux to the R-8 zoning for a smaller lot size due to the size of the lot being misstated on the recorded legal description of the lot dimensions 40 years ago and the owners having begun construction on a permit that was approved based on those inaccurate dimensions.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to approve the Council Meeting Minutes taken, November 27, 2017.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve a Special Event Permit request of Mrs. Delisa Delpit with St. Landry United Methodist Church to host a "Songs of Praise" Gospel and Christmas Music Event, at Jambalaya Park on December 17, 2017 from 2:30-4:30PM.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to approve a Special Event Permit request of Mr. Sonny Iyasere with Marvelous Light Ministries Outreach to host a "Music and Prayer" Outreach Event, at Jambalaya Park on December 16, 2017 from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Harold Stewart, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to Introduce Ordinance No. 4040:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 2. ADMINISTRATION* **ARTICLE IV. BOARDS AND
COMMISSIONS*** (CHANGE) TO (ADD) DIVISION 5. MAYOR'S
YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL **SEC. 2-133. CREATED; COMPOSITION;
APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS; TERM.** (a)-(f), TO READ:.

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

That the Code of Ordinance of the City of Gonzales be hereby amended to read:

CHAPTER 2. ADMINISTRATION*

ARTICLE IV. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS*

DIVISION 5. MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Sec. 2-133. Created; composition; appointment of members; term.

- (a) There is hereby created a youth council commission, which shall consist of ten (10) members.
- (b) The commissioners shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year, but can serve up to 3 years and shall serve without compensation. The commissioners shall be in the 9th, 10th or 11th grade and attending a high school in the City of Gonzales, Parish of Ascension, Louisiana, or River Parish Community College, and shall be appointed by the Gonzales City Council and shall be a non-voting commission.
- (c) The youth advisory council shall be domiciled in the City of Gonzales, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, and it shall have the authority to accept grants of donations of every type and to do all things necessary for the promotion and advertisement and publication of information relating to the youth council commission within its jurisdiction. However, the commission shall not exercise any function which results in competition with the city's governing body. Such youth advisory council shall not be construed to be a political subdivision of the state or of the city.
- (d) The commissioners so appointed shall elect from among themselves a chairman. The chairman of the commission shall be elected by the board of commissioners to serve a term of one (1) year. In addition to the chairman, the commission shall elect from the membership a vice-president and a secretary/treasurer. The office of the secretary/treasurer shall be combined.
- (e) The commission shall annually submit to the governing authority of the city a budget for its operation during the ensuing year, and the said governing authorities shall have the right to approve or disapprove such budget. Upon approval of the budget, the commission shall proceed to act thereunder. It is expected that commission's primary source of revenue will be through fundraising activities.
- (f) The books of the commission shall be audited by an independent certified public accountant annually, and said accountant shall make a written report of his audit to the authorities of the city and the commission. Such report shall be furnished not less than thirty (30) days prior to the submission by the commission of its budget.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for January 8, 2018.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4041:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 2. ADMINISTRATION* (CHANGE) SEC. 2-138.
DEFINITIONS. *Department heads* (CHANGE) (1) and (3) TO READ:

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

That the Code of Ordinance of the City of Gonzales be hereby amended to read:

Sec. 2-138. - Definitions.

Department heads means the following designated positions:

(CHANGE) (1), to read:

- (1) Chief administrative officer/City clerk :

(CHANGE) (3), to read:

- (3) Finance director

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for January 8, 2018.

Final vote on Ordinance No. 4039:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL AND UTILITY FUND BUDGET
FOR EMPLOYEES SALARIES COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT OF 2 %

CITY OF GONZALES 2017-2018 Budget Amendment 01							
General Fund	Department	Account Name	G/L Account No.	2017-2018 Original Budget	Amendment Amount	2017-2018 AMENDED BUDGET	Explanation
<i>Expenses:</i>							
General Fund	Fire Department	Salaries	01-5-10-01-001	1,640,000.00	18,844.00	1,658,844.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Fire Department	Retirement	01-5-10-01-058	402,900.00	4,802.00	407,702.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Fire Department	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-10-01-080	157,000.00	-1,749.00	155,251.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Fire Department	Health Insurance	01-5-10-01-085	289,000.00	35,156.00	324,156.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Administration	Salaries	01-5-12-01-001	550,000.00	674.15	550,674.15	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Administration	Retirement	01-5-12-01-058	132,000.00	455.50	132,455.50	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Administration	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-12-01-080	3,200.00	-226.36	2,973.64	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Administration	Health Insurance	01-5-12-01-085	108,200.00	-70.69	108,129.31	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Police Department	Salaries	01-5-14-01-001	2,850,000.00	29,190.94	2,879,190.94	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Police Department	Retirement	01-5-14-01-058	870,000.00	9,500.00	879,500.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Police Department	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-14-01-080	200,000.00	-850.00	199,150.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Police Department	Health Insurance	01-5-14-01-085	580,600.00	-75.00	580,525.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Code Enforcement	Salaries	01-5-15-01-001	179,600.00	2,075.00	181,675.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Code Enforcement	Retirement	01-5-15-01-058	44,500.00	465.00	44,965.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Code Enforcement	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-15-01-080	15,000.00	1,350.00	16,350.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Sanitation	Salaries	01-5-16-01-001	69,200.00	800.00	70,000.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Sanitation	Retirement	01-5-16-01-058	17,150.00	175.00	17,325.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Sanitation	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-16-01-080	7,200.00	-200.00	7,000.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Sanitation	Health Insurance	01-5-16-01-085	12,000.00	-100.00	11,900.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Streets & Drainage	Salaries	01-5-17-01-001	663,900.00	7,375.00	671,275.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Streets & Drainage	Retirement	01-5-17-01-058	153,200.00	1,800.00	155,000.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	General Government	Salaries	01-5-18-01-001	155,500.00	1,400.00	156,900.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	General Government	Retirement	01-5-18-01-058	30,700.00	400.00	31,100.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	General Government	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-18-01-080	900.00	330.00	1,230.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Recreation	Salaries	01-5-24-01-001	112,200.00	800.00	113,000.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Recreation	Retirement	01-5-24-01-058	16,650.00	180.00	16,830.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Recreation	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-24-01-080	6,000.00	2,700.00	8,700.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Buildings & Grounds	Salaries	01-5-25-01-001	385,500.00	4,500.00	390,000.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Buildings & Grounds	Retirement	01-5-25-01-058	95,400.00	1,100.00	96,500.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Buildings & Grounds	Workers Comp Insurance	01-5-25-01-080	20,500.00	2,700.00	23,200.00	Implement 2% raise
General Fund	Buildings & Grounds	Health Insurance	01-5-25-01-085	76,000.00	-210.00	75,790.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Meter Readers	Salaries	02-5-19-01-001	43,500.00	500.00	44,000.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Meter Readers	Retirement	02-5-19-01-058	10,800.00	95.00	10,895.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Salaries	02-5-11-01-001	275,100.00	3,235.00	278,335.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Retirement	02-5-11-01-058	68,100.00	800.00	68,900.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Workers Comp Insurance	02-5-11-01-080	17,700.00	-135.00	17,565.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Gas Dept	Health Insurance	02-5-11-01-085	59,000.00	-625.00	58,375.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Salaries	02-5-20-01-001	275,100.00	3,235.00	278,335.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Retirement	02-5-20-01-058	68,100.00	800.00	68,900.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Workers Comp Insurance	02-5-20-01-080	17,700.00	-135.00	17,565.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Water Dept	Health Insurance	02-5-20-01-085	59,000.00	-625.00	58,375.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Wastewater	Salaries	02-5-21-01-001	267,600.00	3,190.00	270,790.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Wastewater	Retirement	02-5-21-01-058	66,300.00	720.00	67,020.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Wastewater	Workers Comp Insurance	02-5-21-01-080	14,600.00	295.00	14,895.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Utility - Administration	Salaries	02-5-26-01-001	166,800.00	1,961.00	168,761.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Utility - Administration	Retirement	02-5-26-01-058	41,300.00	470.00	41,770.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Utility - Administration	Workers Comp Insurance	02-5-26-01-080	1,100.00	-255.00	845.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Utility - General Expen	Salaries	02-5-27-01-001	155,500.00	1,400.00	156,900.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Utility - General Expen	Retirement	02-5-27-01-058	30,700.00	400.00	31,100.00	Implement 2% raise
Utility Fund	Utility - General Expen	Workers Comp Insurance	02-5-27-01-080	1,000.00	230.00	1,230.00	Implement 2% raise
		Net Expense Additions		11,483,000.00	138,847.54	11,621,847.54	

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4042:

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY OF THE MAYOR OF GONZALES
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

WHEREAS the Board of Aldermen of the City of Gonzales has considered the Budget for the FY 2018-2019 and has determined to grant the Mayor an increase in salary.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Gonzales, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, in regular session convened, does hereby set the salary of the Mayor to be increased from currently \$126,838.40 per year to \$129,708.80 per year effective June 1, 2018.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for January 8, 2018.

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4043:

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY OF THE POLICE CHIEF
OF GONZALES, LOUISIANA, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

WHEREAS the Board of Aldermen of the City of Gonzales has considered the Budget for the FY 2018-2019 and has determined to grant the Police Chief an increase in salary.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Gonzales, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, in regular session convened, does hereby set the salary of the Police Chief to be increased from \$115,003.20 per year to \$117,665.60 per year effective June 1, 2018.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for January 8, 2018.

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4044:

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF GONZALES, LOUISIANA, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

WHEREAS the Board of Aldermen of the City of Gonzales has considered the Budget for the FY2018-2019 and has determined to grant the Board of Aldermen an increase in salary.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Gonzales, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, in regular session convened, does hereby set the salary of the City Council to be \$12,000 per year effective June 1, 2018.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for January 8, 2018.

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to approve the City Council Meeting Schedule for 2018.

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Neal Bourque to approve and accept the low bid of Barriere Construction in the amount of \$765,757.50 for the Meylan Avenue/ Municipal Park Project from the following bids received:

Gulf States Contractors, LLC	\$919,597.00
Hard Rock Construction	\$853,397.00
L. King Co, LLC	\$794,768.00
Command Construction	\$969,615.00
Barriere Construction	\$765,757.50
Byron E. Talbot	\$789,460.80
T. L. Hawk Industrial	\$925,017.75

YEAS: Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque
Councilman David Guitreau, 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 Arceneaux, Mayor

ATTEST:


Scot Byrd, City Clerk