MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 09, 2020, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL 120 S. IRMA BLVD, GONZALES, LA 70737.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney Arceneaux Councilman Neal Bourque Councilman David Guitreau

Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart Councilman Tyler Turner

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Scot Byrd, City Clerk Lisa Babin, Admin Secretary Brandon Boylan, Finance Director

Matt Percy, City Attorney Sherman Jackson, Chief of Police

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the Minutes from a regular meeting of the City Council taken October 26, 2020.

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4126: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning Sec. 22-2 Zoning Districts to approve the request of DD of Louisiana, LLC to rezone the Heritage Crossing Development, consisting of approximately 102 acres, located generally at the southwest intersection of Highway 30 and Highway 44, to TND (Traditional Neighborhood Development) Zoning.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4127: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning Sec. 22-2 Zoning Districts to approve the request of Patrick Crane to rezone the Patricia Bruno property, consisting of approximately 1.161 acres, located at the intersection of East Worthey Street and South Audubon Place Avenue, from C-2 to R-3-TH (Townhome) Zoning.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4128: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning Sec. 22-2 Zoning Districts to approve the request of Montan Landco, LLC to rezone approximately 5.39 acres located at the intersection of Veterans Avenue and Orice Roth Road from C-1 Zoning to R-3-E (Elderly) Zoning.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to adopt Resolution No. 2907: A Resolution of the City of Gonzales to issue a request for qualifications for supplying the city with a fuel card program for the purpose of supplying city vehicles and equipment with fuel.

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

Nays: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to adopt Resolution No. 2908: A Resolution to approve the Mayor to sign an application for a loan in the amount of \$8,500,000 from Investar Bank in the name of the city pledging the 2% Hotel Occupancy Tax as the basis of repayment for the land acquisition, design and construction of the Price LeBlanc Pace Center.

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

Nays: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Final vote on Ordinance No. 4125:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 11. GARBAGE, TRASH, WEEDS AND WASTES (ADD) ARTICLE V. – DEAD OR DISEASED TREE REMOVAL.

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 amended as follows:

Chapter 11. GARBAGE, TRASH, WEEDS AND WASTES

(ADD)

Article V. – DEAD OR DISEASED TREE REMOVAL.

SECTION 11-91. – Definitions.

Tree: Any self-supporting woody perennial plant which has a trunk diameter of six (6) inches or more when measured at a point twelve (12) inches above the ground level and which normally attains an overall height of at least sixteen (16) feet at maturity.

Diseased Tree: Any tree, which in the opinion of the City Building Official, is injured by accident, insects, fire, chemicals, or any other damage that would threaten the health of the tree to a degree to threaten its integrity and present a danger of falling or portions of the tree falling.

Dead Tree: Any tree, which in the opinion of the City Building Official, is dead.

SECTION 11-92. – Dead or diseased tree removal.

The city shall have the right to cause the removal of any dead or diseased trees on public or private property within the city, when such trees constitute a hazard to life or property, or harbor insects or disease which constitutes a potential threat to other trees within the city. The City shall notify in writing the owners of such trees. Removal shall be done by said owners at their expense within sixty (60) days after notification. In the event failure of owners to comply with such provisions, the city shall have the authority to remove the dead or diseased tree(s) and charge the costs of removal to the owner.

SECTION 11-93 - Cost assessed against owner.

After the cutting or removal as provided in section 11-92, the clerk shall furnish the owner as shown on the last assessment roll, by certified mail, a written statement showing the cost or expense incurred for the work, and the place or property on which the work was done, and any applicable fines and interest as set forth hereafter. The fine for non-compliance of section 11-92 shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each individual offense and tree removed by the City. The city is further authorized to charge the owner interest on all sums due from incurrence until payment at a rate that does not exceed the legal interest rate provided in R.S. 9:3500. If the statement is not paid within one month thereafter, the amount thereof shall be included in and form a part of the taxes due by the property and the owner, and when collected shall be credited to the general fund of the city.

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

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4129: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance, Chapter 11. Garbage, Trash, Weeds, and Waste. Article III. Weeds and Grass. (CHANGE) Sec. 11-60. Notice to property owners, and (CHANGE) Sec. 11-61 Failure of property owner to comply, removal by city.to Read:

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4130: An Ordinance setting the salary of the Mayor of Gonzales effective December 23, 2020.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4131: An Ordinance setting the salary of the Police Chief of Gonzales effective December 23, 2020.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to introduce Ordinance No. 4132: City of Gonzales 2020-2021 Budget Amendment No. 01. An Ordinance amending the General Fund Budget, Capital Outlay Budget, and the Utility Fund Budget.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Neal Bourque to introduce Ordinance No. 4133: An Ordinance annexing two tracts of land, owned by Expert Maintenance, into the City of Gonzales.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to introduce Ordinance No. 4134: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning. Sec. 22-6. Administration, Sec. 22-6 (a) Review Bodies. Sec. 22-6 (a) (4) Summary of authority under Major Subdivision Preliminary Plat (Change) Table to read:

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to introduce Ordinance No. 4135: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning. Sec. 22-6 Administration, Sec. 22-6 (a), Review Bodies. Sec. 22-6(a) (2), Planning and Zoning Commission (m) Authority for final action. (Change) (2) Preliminary Plats to read:

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to introduce Ordinance No. 4136: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning. Sec. 22-6 Administration Sec. 22-6 (a) Review Bodies. Sec. 22-6(a) (3) Administrator (c) Review Authority (CHANGE) (1) Preliminary Plats to read:

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Neal Bourque to introduce Ordinance No. 4137: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning Sec. 22-6 Administration. Sec. 22-6 (b) Procedures, Sec. 22-6 (b) (4.5) Subdivision (b) Components of Subdivision (Plat) Approval (1) Major Subdivision. Major Subdivision requires Three (3) Steps: (Change) (i) Approval of Preliminary Plat to read:

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to introduce Ordinance No. 4138: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning Sec. 22-6 Administration, Sec. 22-6 (b) Procedures, Sec. 22-6 (b) (4.5) Subdivision (e) Preliminary Plat Decision by Planning Commission. (Change) (1) Following Notice and a Public Hearing as required in Section 22-6 (b) (1) Common review procedures, The Planning Commission shall approve, with conditions, or deny the preliminary plat for a Major Subdivision to read:

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the next regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for November 23, 2020.

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