MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON MONDAY APRIL 26, 2021 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL 120 S. IRMA BLVD, GONZALES, LA 70737.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney Arceneaux Councilman John Berthelot Councilman Tim Riley

Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart Councilman Tyler Turner

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

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

Matt Percy, City Attorney Sherman Jackson, Police Chief

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to approve the Minutes from a regular meeting of the City Council taken April 12, 2021.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tim Riley to approve the request of Aimee Parrodin, a Teacher at Gonzales Middle School, to grant permission for her Gifted and Talented students to participate in a clean-up antilitering project at Tee-Joe Park using funds they were awarded from the National Park Grant they received.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman John Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to approve a Special Event Permit request of Casa Maria to hold a Cinco de Mayo event with Live Music at the 1210 Airline Hwy. restaurant on May 5, 2021 from 5 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to approve the request of Ruben Chavez with Jimenez, LLC dba as El Paso Mexican Restaurant located at 2028 W. Hwy. 30 Gonzales, LA. To hold a Cinco de Mayo event on May 5, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Harold Stewart, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to adopt Resolution No. 2919:

# A RESOLUTION TO LEVY THE MILLAGE RATES ON PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF GONZALES SUBJECT TO AD VALOREM TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2021 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the City of Gonzales:

### **MILLAGE**

5.17

Gonzales – General Fund

Gonzales – Fire Department 3.20

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2021, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAINED: NONE

ABSENT:

NONE

Motion by Councilman John Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to adopt Resolution No. 2920: A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign Lease Documents to procure Chevrolet Tahoe's for the Police Department on State Contract.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

**ABSENT: NONE** 

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to adopt a Proclamation to declare May 2021 as Building Safety Month.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to introduce Ordinance No. 4147:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 5. BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS. ARTICLE II. BUILDING CODE. (ADD) SECTION 5-16 (A) ADOPT INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE. Chapter 1 Section 103.is (DELETED).

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman John Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to introduce Ordinance No. 4148: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Address.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to introduce Ordinance No. 4149: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Sales Tax Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman John Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to introduce Ordinance No. 4150: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4151: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Utility Fund Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman John Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tim Riley to introduce Ordinance No. 4152: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Outlay Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tim Riley to introduce Ordinance No. 4153: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Wastewater Impact Fee Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tim Riley to introduce Ordinance No. 4154: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Tanger Mall Economic Development District Fund Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4155: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Industrial Development District Fund Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to introduce Ordinance No. 4156: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Conway Economic Development District Fund Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tim Riley to introduce Ordinance 4157: An Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Hotel Tax Fund Budget.

Public Hearing and final vote on the foregoing ordinance to be taken at the next regular City Council Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2021.

The City Clerk stated the City Council Members have been provided with a copy of the revenue and expense compared to budget report in the City Council Member's packets. The city is within budget. No discussion was required or requested by the City Council Members.

Public Hearing and final vote on Ordinance No. 4143:

The following ordinance, having been previously introduced on April 12, 2021, a notice of introduction having been published on April 22, 2021, and a public hearing held thereon on this date, was offered for final adoption by Councilman Johnny Berthelot and seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 4143

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA OF ITS TAXABLE HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX BOND, SERIES 2021, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FOUR MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$4,500,000), PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; ENTERING INTO CERTAIN OTHER COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECURITY AND PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS; SELLING SAID BONDS IN A PRIVATE SALE TO HANCOCK WHITNEY BANK; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City") wishes to acquire, construct, furnish and equip a performing arts, conference and exhibition center in said City to be known as the Price LeBlanc PACE Center (the "Project"), and to own and operate the Project as a revenue-producing work of public improvement; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 266 of the Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana for the year 2018 (La. R.S. 47:338.217) ("Act 266"), provides that in addition to any other tax levied and collected, the governing authority of the City may levy and collect a tax upon the paid occupancy of hotel rooms located within the City at a rate that shall not exceed two percent of the rent or fee charged for such occupancy; and

WHEREAS, Act 266 further provides that the governing authority of the City shall impose the aforesaid hotel occupancy tax by ordinance after a proposition authorizing the levy of the hotel occupancy tax has been approved by a majority of the electors of the City voting at an election held for that purpose in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code; and

WHEREAS, at an election held by the City on December 8, 2018, 745 electors voted in favor of and 567 electors voted against the following proposition, which was therefore approved by a 178-vote majority of the electors voting thereon:

## CITY OF GONZALES PROPOSITION (LEVY OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX)

Shall the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City") be authorized to levy and collect a hotel occupancy tax equal to two percent (2%) of the rent or fee charged for the occupancy of hotel rooms located within the City of Gonzales to be effective April 1, 2019, for perpetuity, (an estimated \$500,000.00 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year) (the "Tax"), 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 financing, construction, maintenance, and operation of an event and conference center for the City of Gonzales?

WHEREAS, this Mayor and Council, as governing authority of the City, adopted Ordinance No. 4092 levying the aforesaid hotel occupancy tax in the City at the rate of 2% (hereinafter referred to as the "2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax"); and

WHEREAS, Act 266 provides that the Governing Authority shall use the proceeds of the Hotel Occupancy Tax "to provide for the financing, construction, maintenance, and operation of an event and conference center" for the City; and

WHEREAS, this Mayor and Council, as governing authority of the City (the "Governing Authority"), proposes to issue up to \$4,500,000 of hotel occupancy tax bonds in the name of the City, under the authority of Act 266, and specifically La. R.S. 47:338.217(D), together with other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, including Chapter 13 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (which includes and La. R.S. 39:1430), payable solely from the income and revenues of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, subject only to the prior payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax; and

WHEREAS, the issuance of said bonds were approved by the State Bond Commission on March 18, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City has received a favorable offer to purchase the said bonds from Hancock Whitney Bank, and this Governing Authority wishes to accept such offer and to sell the said bonds to Hancock Whitney Bank pursuant to this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, other than the Bonds herein authorized, the City has no outstanding bonds or other obligations of any kind or nature payable from or enjoying a lien on the net revenues of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax herein pledged; and

WHEREAS, the maturities of the hereinafter described bonds have been arranged so that the maximum total amount of principal and interest falling due in any year on the bonds, being the sum of \$342,117 due in the year 2025, will never exceed 75% of the net revenues of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax estimated to be received by the City in the year in which such bonds are to be issued, being the sum of \$530,000 expected to be received in the year 2021; and

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

### SECTION 1. <u>Definitions</u>. As used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Act" means Act No. 266 of the Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana for the year 2018, and specifically La. R.S. 47:338.217(D), together with other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, including Chapter 13 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, (which includes La. R.S. 39:1430).

"Additional Parity Bonds" shall mean any pari passu additional bonds that may hereafter be issued pursuant to Section 19 hereof on a parity with the Bonds.

"Authorized Officers" means collectively Mayor and City Clerk of the City, or such other person or persons authorized pursuant to a resolution or ordinance of the Governing Authority to act as an authorized officer of the City to perform any act or execute any document relating to the Bonds.

"Bank" means Hancock Whitney Bank, in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, being the initial purchaser of the Bonds.

"Bond" or "Bonds" means the City's Taxable Hotel Occupancy Tax Bond, Series 2021, issued by this Bond Ordinance in the total aggregate principal amount of not exceeding Four Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$4,500,000), and any bond of said issue, whether initially delivered or issued in exchange for, upon transfer of, or in lieu of any previously issued.

"Bond Ordinance" means this ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Bonds.

"Bond Register" means the registration books of the Paying Agent (initially the City Clerk of the City), in which registration of the Bonds and transfers of the Bonds shall be made as provided herein.

"Bond Year" means the one-year period ending on each Principal Payment Date.

"Business Day" means a day of the year on which banks located in the City of New Orleans are not required or authorized to remain closed and on which the New York Stock Exchange is not closed.

"City" means the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, and its successors or assigns.

"Defeasance Obligations" shall mean (i) cash, or (ii) non-callable Government Securities.

"Fiscal Year" means the City's one-year accounting period determined from time to time by the Governing Authority as the fiscal year of the City, currently being the year ending each May 31.

"Governing Authority" means the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana.

"Government Securities" means direct obligations of, or obligations the timely payment of the principal of and interest on which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, which are non-callable prior to their maturity and may be United States Treasury Obligations such as the State and Local Government Series and may be in book entry form.

"Interest Payment Date" means each May 1 and November 1, commencing November 1, 2021, or such other semi-annual payment dates as may be approved by the Authorized Officers in the manner set forth in Section 2.

"Net Revenues of the Tax" means the revenues derived or to be derived by the City from the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, subject only to the prior payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax.

"Outstanding" when used with respect to Bonds means, as of the date of determination, all Bonds theretofore issued and delivered under this Bond Ordinance, except:

(a) Bonds theretofore canceled by the Paying Agent or delivered to the Paying Agent for cancellation;

(b) Bonds for whose payment or prepayment sufficient funds have been theretofore deposited in trust for the Owners of such Bonds as provided in Section 23 herein provided that, if such Bonds are to be prepaid, irrevocable notice of such prepayment has been duly given or provided for pursuant to this Bond Ordinance, to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent, or waived;

(c) Bonds in exchange for or in lieu of which other Bonds have been registered and delivered pursuant to this Bond Ordinance; and

(d) Bonds alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen which have been paid as provided in this Bond Ordinance.

"Owner" or "Owners" when used with respect to any Bond means the Person in whose name such Bond is registered with the City Clerk of the City.

"Paying Agent" means the chief financial officer of the City, initially the City Clerk of the City, unless and until a successor Paying Agent shall have assumed such responsibilities pursuant to this Bond Ordinance.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Principal Payment Date" means each May 1 (or such other annual payment date as may be approved by the Authorized Officers in the manner set forth in Section 2, provided that in no event shall the final maturity of the Bonds be more than twenty (20) years from the date of the Bonds.

"Project" means the acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of a performing arts, conference and exhibition center in said City, also known as the "Price Leblanc PACE Center," including equipment and fixtures, which shall constitute a work of public improvement for the City.

"Purchaser" means the Bank, being the original purchaser of the Bonds.

"Qualified Investments" shall mean the following, provided that the same are at the time legal for investment of the City's funds and, if required by law, are secured at all times by collateral described in clause (a) below:

- (a) Government Securities, including obligations of any of the federal agencies set forth in clause (b) below to the extent unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America and any certificates or any other evidences of an ownership interest in obligations or in specified portions thereof (which may consist of specified portions of the interest thereon) of the character described in this clause (a);
- (b) bonds, debentures or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the Private Export Funding Corporation, Federal Home Loan Bank System, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal National Mortgage Association and Student Loan Marketing Association;
- (c) certificates of deposit, whether negotiable or nonnegotiable, issued by any bank or trust company organized under the laws of the State or any national banking association having its principal office in the State which is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and which are secured at all times by collateral described in clause (a) above:
- (d) certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts or money market deposits of any bank or trust company organized under the laws of the State or any national banking association having its principal office in the State which are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and (e) the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP).

"Record Date" for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date means the 15th calendar day of the month next preceding such Interest Payment Date, whether or not such day is a Business Day.

"Reserve Fund Requirement" means the fixed sum of \$175,000, which shall be cash-funded by the City at the time of delivery of the Bonds. The Reserve Fund Requirement for any issue(s) of Additional Parity Bonds shall be defined in the ordinance(s) authorizing the issuance of such Additional Parity Bonds.

"2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax" means the two percent (2%) hotel occupancy tax being levied in perpetuity by the City pursuant to the authority of La. R.S. 47:338.217, an election held by the City on December 8, 2018, and Ordinance No. 4092 adopted on May 13, 2019, as further described in the preambles to this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. <u>Authorization of Bonds</u>. In compliance with and under the authority of the Act, there is hereby authorized the incurring of an indebtedness of not exceeding Four Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$4,500,000) for, on behalf of, and in the name of the City, for the purpose of financing the Project including the payment of any costs of issuance, and the funding of any necessary debt service reserve fund or payment for a reserve fund surety bond. To represent the said indebtedness, the City does hereby authorize the issuance of its "Taxable Hotel Occupancy Tax Bond, Series 2021," in an amount not to exceed Four Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$4,500,000). The Bonds shall be initially issued in the form of a single fully registered Bond numbered R-1, shall be dated the date of delivery thereof and shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

The Authorized Officers may approve a different series designation if the Bonds are delivered after the end of 2021 or if it is in their sole judgment preferable to do so. The Authorized Officers may also approve different semi-annual interest payment dates (e.g. January 1 & July 1, February 1 & August 1, etc.) as well as a different annual principal payment date if it is their sole judgment preferable to do so when the actual delivery date of the Bonds is known, provided that the final maturity date of the Bonds is no later than twenty (20) years from the date of delivery.

The Bonds shall mature in annual installments of principal, payable on each May 1 as follows:

Date	Principal
(May 1)	Due
2022	
2023	\$ 83,000
2024	174,000
2025	181,000
2026	188,000
2027	195,000
2028	203,000
2029	211,000
2030	219,000
2031	227,000
2032	236.000
2033	245.000
2034	255.000
2035	265.000
2036	275.000
2037	286.000
2038	297.000
2039	308.000
2040	320.000
2041	332.000

The unpaid principal of the Bonds shall bear interest from the date thereof, or the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, at the rate of three and eighty-eight hundredths percent (3.88%) per annum, said interest to be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months and payable on each Interest Payment Date. Interest on the Bonds on any Interest Payment Date shall be payable only on the aggregate amount of the purchase price which shall have been paid theretofore to the City and is outstanding and shall accrue with respect to each purchase price installment only from the date of payment of such installment.

SECTION 3. Prepayment. The principal installments of the Bonds are subject to prepayment at the option of the City at any time, in whole or in part, in inverse order of maturity, at a prepayment price of par plus accrued interest to the prepayment date. Official notice of such call for prepayment shall be given by means of first class mail, postage prepaid by notice deposited in the United States Mail not less than thirty (30) days prior to the prepayment date addressed to the Owner of each Bond to be prepaid at his address as shown on the registration records of the Paying Agent.

In the event of a principal repayment, or if less than the full amount of the principal of the Bond shall have been drawn by the City from the Bank, then at the option of the City the amount of the remaining installments of principal and interest may be recalculated so as to re-amortize the remaining principal balance over the remaining number of payments, and such recalculated payments shall be noted on an allonge, signed by the Mayor and a representative of the Owners, and attached to the Bond.

SECTION 4. Security for Payment of Bonds. The Bonds shall be secured and payable in principal and interest exclusively by a pledge of the Net Revenues of the Tax. The Net Revenues of the Tax are hereby irrevocably and irrepealably pledged in an amount sufficient for the payment of the Bond in principal and interest as the installments thereof fall due, and the income and revenues thus pledged shall remain so pledged for the security of the Bond in principal and interest until they shall have been fully paid and discharged.

In providing for the issuance of the Bonds, the City does hereby covenant and warrant that it has a legal right to pledge the Net Revenues of the Tax as herein provided, that the Bonds will have a lien and privilege on the Net Revenues of the Tax subject only to the prior payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax.

SECTION 5. <u>Bond Ordinance a Contract</u>. The provisions of this Bond Ordinance shall constitute a contract between the City and the Owner or Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and any such Owner may by suit, action, mandamus or other proceedings, enforce the statutory lien provided by the Act as well as the security for the Bonds provided in this Bond Ordinance, and may by suit, action, mandamus, or other proceedings enforce and compel performance of all of the duties required to be performed by the Governing Authority as may be provided for in this Bond Ordinance.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no member of the Governing Authority or any officer or employee of the City, or any person executing the Bonds shall be personally liable on the Bonds.

SECTION 6. City Obligated to Continue to Collect Tax. The City is obligated and is bound under the terms and provisions of law to levy, impose, enforce and collect the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax for the full period of its authorization, i.e. in perpetuity, and to provide for all reasonable and necessary rules, regulations, procedures and penalties in connection therewith, including the proper application of the proceeds of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax. The City has a legal right to issue the Bonds and to pledge the Net Revenues of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax as herein provided, and the Bonds will have a lien and privilege on the Net Revenues of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax

until all of the Bonds have been retired as to both principal and interest. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the City from altering, amending or repealing from time to time as may be necessary this Bond Ordinance or any subsequent bond ordinance providing with respect to the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, said alterations, amendments or repeals to be conditioned upon the continued preservation of the rights of the Owners with respect to the Net Revenues of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax. The 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax Ordinance imposing the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax and pursuant to which the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax is being levied, collected and allocated, and the obligations to continue to levy, collect and allocate the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax and to apply the revenues therefrom in accordance with the provisions of this Bond Ordinance, shall be irrevocable for the full period of its authorization until the Bonds have been paid in full as to principal and interest and shall not be subject to amendment in any manner which would impair the rights of the Owners from time to time of the Bonds or which would in any way jeopardize the prompt payment of principal thereof and interest thereon.

SECTION 7. Statutory Lien. The Bonds shall be secured debt entitled to the highest possible protection and priority afforded by the bankruptcy laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, and the Owners shall have a statutory lien on and a security interest in the Net Revenues of the Tax pledged to the payment of the Bonds in this Bond Ordinance, to the fullest extent and in the manner stated in the Act and this Bond Ordinance, and any pledge or grant of a lien or security interest in such Net Revenues of the Tax made by the City in connection with the issuance of the Bonds shall be valid, binding and perfected from the time when the pledge or grant of lien or security interest is made. The Net Revenues of the Tax shall immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge and security interest without any physical delivery therefor or further act and the lien of such pledge and security interest shall be first priority and valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract, bankruptcy or otherwise against the City, whether or not such parties have notice thereof. The Owner or Owners of the Bonds shall be secured creditors with respect to such Net Revenues of the Tax.

SECTION 8. Sale and Delivery of Bonds. The Bonds are hereby awarded to and sold to the Bank, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the commitment letter attached hereto as Exhibit B, at a price of par plus accrued interest, if any, and after their execution the Bonds shall be delivered to the Bank or its agents or assigns, upon receipt by the City of the agreed first advance of the purchase price of the Bonds. Pursuant to R.S. 39:505(B), the City has determined to sell the Bonds at a private sale without necessity of publication of a notice of sale. It is understood that the purchase price of the Bonds may be paid by the Bank to the City in installments, in the manner and under the terms and conditions agreed to by the City and the Bank.

SECTION 9. Manner of Payment. The principal and interest on the Bonds will be payable by check mailed by the Paying Agent to the Owner (determined as of the Interest Payment Date) at the address shown on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent for such purpose, provided that payment of the final installment of principal on the Bonds shall be made only upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds to the Paying Agent.

SECTION 10. Execution of Bonds and Closing Documents. The Authorized Officers are each hereby empowered, authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out all of the provisions of this Bond Ordinance, to cause the Bonds to be prepared and/or printed, to issue, execute and seal the Bonds and to effect delivery thereof as hereinafter provided. If facsimile signatures are used on the Bonds, then such signatures shall be registered with the Louisiana Secretary of State in the manner required by La. R.S. 39:244, provided that at least one signature on each Bond shall be a manual signature.

In connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the Authorized Officers are each authorized, empowered and directed to execute on behalf of the City such additional documents, certificates and instruments as they may deem necessary, upon the advice of counsel, to effect the transactions contemplated by this Bond Ordinance. The signatures of said officers on such documents, certificates and instruments shall be conclusive evidence of the due exercise of the authority granted hereunder.

SECTION 11. Registration. The City shall cause the Bond Register to be kept at the principal office of the Paying Agent in which registration of the Bonds and transfers of the Bonds shall be made as provided herein. The Bonds may be transferred, registered and assigned only on the Bond Register, and such registration shall be at the expense of the City. The Bonds may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Bonds or by other instruments of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent. A new Bond will be delivered by the Paying Agent to the last assignee (the new Owner) in exchange for such transferred and assigned Bond after receipt of the Bond to be transferred in proper form.

SECTION 12. Effect of Registration. The City, the Paying Agent, and any agent of either of them may treat the Owner in whose name any Bond is registered as the Owner of such Bond for the purpose of receiving payment of the principal (and prepayment price) of and interest on such Bond and for all other purposes whatsoever, and to the extent permitted by law, neither the City, the Paying Agent, nor any agent of either of them shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

SECTION 13. Recital of Regularity. This Governing Authority, having investigated the regularity of the proceedings had in connection with this issue of Bonds, and having determined the same to be regular, the Bonds shall contain the following recital authorized by and having the effect set forth in R.S. 39:507, to wit:

"It is certified that this indebtedness is authorized by and is issued in conformity with the requirements of the Constitution and statutes of Louisiana."

SECTION 14. Deposit of Bond Proceeds. The proceeds derived from the sale of the Bonds shall constitute a trust fund to be used exclusively for the purposes for which the Bonds are herein authorized to be issued, but the purchaser of the Bonds shall not be obliged to see to the application thereof. All of the proceeds derived from the sale of the Bonds, which shall be paid in installments by the Bank, shall be deposited by the City in a Construction Fund (the "Construction Fund"). The funds in the Construction Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of paying costs of the Project and the other purposes for which the Bonds are being issued.

SECTION 15. Flow of Funds. In order that the principal of and the interest on the Bonds will be paid in accordance with their terms and for the other objects and purposes hereinafter provided, the City covenants as follows:

All of the income and revenues derived or to be derived by the City from the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, after the payment therefrom of the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, shall be deposited daily as the same may be collected in a separate and special bank account with the regularly designated fiscal agent bank of the City, and designated as the "PACE Center HOT Fund" (the "Revenue Fund"), said Fund to be maintained and administered in the following order of priority and for the following express purposes:

(a) The payment of, first, all reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax as have not previously been paid from other sources.

(b) The establishment and maintenance of the "PACE Center Bond Debt Service Fund" (the "Debt Service Fund"), sufficient in amount to pay promptly and fully the principal of and the interest on the Bonds and any Additional Parity Bonds issued hereafter in the manner provided by this Bond Ordinance, as they severally become due and payable, by transferring from the Revenue Fund to the Debt Service Fund, monthly in advance on or before the 20th day of each month of each year, a sum equal to the pro-rata amount of interest falling due on the Bonds and any Additional Parity Bonds on the next Interest Payment Date and the pro-rata amount of the principal falling due on the Bonds and any Additional Parity Bonds on the next principal payment date, together with such additional proportionate sum as may be required to pay said principal and interest as the same respectively become due. The City shall transfer or cause to be transferred from the Debt Service Fund to the paying agent(s) for all bonds payable from the Debt Service Fund, at least three (3) day in advance of the date on which payment of principal or interest falls due, immediately available funds fully sufficient to pay promptly the principal and interest so falling due on such date.

If Additional Parity Bonds are hereinafter issued by the City in the manner provided in this Bond Ordinance, moneys in the Debt Service Fund shall be equally available to pay principal and interest on such Additional Parity Bonds, and payments into the Debt Service Fund shall be increased as provided in the ordinance authorizing the issuance of such Additional Parity Bonds. Said fiscal agent bank shall transfer from the Debt Service Fund to any paying agent or pay directly to the owner, for all bonds payable from the said Debt Service Fund, at least three (3) days in advance of the date on which each payment of principal or interest falls due, funds fully sufficient to pay promptly the principal and/or interest so falling due on such date; except, if payment is made by electronic debit, then such payment shall be made no later than 11:00 a.m. Louisiana time on the day such payment is due.

(c) The establishment and maintenance of the "PACE Center Bond Reserve Fund" (the "Reserve Fund"), containing an account for the Bonds designated the "Series 2021 Account" (or such other designation that will identify such account with the Bonds) which shall be cash-funded by the City at the time of delivery of the Bonds to the amount of \$175,000. Moneys in the Series 2021 Account shall be used to secure and make payments solely on the Bonds (and not on any other issues) as to which there would otherwise be default.

In the event that Additional Parity Bonds are issued, then the City may establish additional accounts in the Reserve Fund for each such series of Additional Parity Bonds if required in connection with the issuance of such Additional Parity Bonds, each such account to be designated as the "Series \_\_\_\_\_\_(insert series designation)\_\_\_ Account." The money in the accounts of Reserve Fund shall be retained solely for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the respective series of bonds payable from the Debt Service Fund as to which there would otherwise be default (initially the Bonds). With respect to accounts that may be required in connection with the issuance of Additional Parity Bonds, the City shall fund such accounts by transferring from the proceeds of such series or from the Revenue Fund (after making all required payments from said fund as hereinabove described), or other sources, such amounts as will increase the total amount on deposit in each account in the Reserve Fund to a sum equal to the reserve fund requirement, if any, designated and established for such series of Additional Parity Bonds.

All moneys remaining in the Revenue Fund on the 20th day of each month after paying (i) all reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, and (ii) the required payments into the Debt Service Fund and Reserve Fund for the current month and for prior months during which the required payments may not have been made, shall be considered as surplus. Such surplus may be used by the City for any of the purposes permitted pursuant to the proposition authorizing the levy of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, including retiring Bonds in advance of their maturities, either by purchase of Bonds then outstanding at prices not greater than the prepayment prices of said Bonds, or by prepaying such Bonds at the prices and in the manner set forth in this Bond Ordinance.

SECTION 16. Replenishment of Funds. If at any time it shall be necessary to use moneys in any account of the Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying principal of or interest on bonds payable from the Debt Service Fund as to which there would otherwise be default, then the moneys so used shall be replaced from the Net Revenues of the Tax first thereafter received, not hereinabove required to be used for the purposes described in (a) and (b) above. If at any time there are sufficient moneys on deposit in the Debt Service Fund and Reserve Fund to retire all outstanding bonds payable from the Debt Service Fund by defeasance, by exercising the prepayment option provided by such bonds or by purchase on the open market, the City may utilize such funds for such purpose. If more than one account of the Reserve Fund is required to be replenished, then such replenishment shall be made ratably to each such account in proportion to the remaining amount that is required to be so replenished.

SECTION 17. <u>Notification of Deficiencies</u>. As required by La. R.S. 39:510 the City will notify the State Bond Commission in writing, whenever (i) any required deposit to the Debt Service Fund has not been made within five business days of when due or (ii) the principal, interest, premium, or any other payment due on the Bonds has not been made within five business days of when due.

SECTION 18. <u>Investments</u>. All or any part of the moneys in the Revenue Fund and the Debt Service Fund shall at the written request of the Governing Authority be invested in Qualified Investments and all of the moneys in the Reserve Fund shall be invested in Government Securities maturing in five (5) years or less, in which event all income derived from such investments shall be added to the Revenue Fund, with the exception that any interest earnings from invested funds of the Reserve Fund shall be retained therein until an amount equal to the Reserve Fund Requirement is on deposit therein, and such investments shall, to the extent at any time necessary, be liquidated and the proceeds thereof applied to the purposes for which the respective fund has been created.

SECTION 19. <u>Issuance of Refunding and Additional Parity Bonds</u>. All of the Bonds issued hereunder shall enjoy complete parity of lien on the Net Revenues of the Tax and moneys in the Debt Service Fund, despite the fact that any of the Bonds may be delivered at an earlier date than any other of the Bonds. The City, acting through its governing authority, hereby covenants that it will issue no other bonds or obligations of any kind or nature payable from or enjoying a lien on the Net Revenues of the Tax or moneys in the Debt Service Fund or any account in the Reserve Fund having priority over or parity with the Bonds, except that Additional Parity Bonds may hereafter be issued on a parity with the Bonds under the following conditions:

(a) The Bonds, or any part thereof, including interest, may be refunded, and the refunding bonds so issued shall enjoy complete equality of lien with the portion of Bonds which is not refunded, if there be any, and the refunding bonds shall continue to enjoy whatever priority of lien over subsequent issues may have been enjoyed by the Bonds refunded; provided, however, that if only a portion of the Bonds outstanding is so refunded and the refunding bonds

require total principal and interest payments during any Bond Year in excess of the principal and interest which would have been required in such year to pay the Bonds refunded thereby, then such Bonds may not be refunded without the consent of the owners of the unrefunded portion of the Bonds (provided that such consent shall not be required if the refunding bonds meet the requirements of (b) below instead).

- (b) Additional Parity Bonds may also be issued on a parity with the Bonds if all of the following conditions are met:
  - The average Net Revenues of the Tax for the two (2) completed Fiscal Years immediately preceding the issuance of such Additional Parity Bonds is equal to at least one and one-third times (1-1/3x) of the highest combined principal and interest requirements in any succeeding Fiscal Year on the Bonds and the proposed Additional Parity Bonds, and any other bonds then outstanding which are payable from the Net Revenues of the Tax of the System (but not including bonds which have been refunded or provisions otherwise made for their full and complete payment and redemption), and the Additional Parity Bonds so proposed to be issued
  - (ii) There must be no delinquencies in the payments required to be made into the various funds provided in Section 15 hereof.
  - (iii) The existence of the facts required by paragraphs (i) and (ii) above must be determined and certified to by the Mayor, and either the chief financial officer of the City or an independent firm of certified public accountants.
  - (iv) The proceeds of the Additional Parity Bonds must be used solely for the making of improvements, extensions, renewals, replacements or repairs to the Project or other authorized works of public improvement for which proceeds of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax may be expended, or for refunding prior bonds issued for such purposes.
  - (v) If required in connection with the issuance of the Additional Parity Bonds, the City shall make provisions in the ordinance(s) authorizing such Additional Parity Bonds for the establishment and funding of a separate account in the Reserve Fund with respect to such Additional Parity Bonds in accordance with Section 15(c) above.
  - (vi) No Additional Parity Bonds may be issued should any event of default under this Bond Ordinance have occurred and be continuing.
  - (vii) The Additional Parity Bonds shall be payable annually as to principal on the same Principal Payment Date as the Bonds and payable as to interest semi-annually on the same Interest Payment Dates as the Bonds, or shall be payable in monthly installments of both principal and interest.

SECTION 20. <u>Audit Requirements</u>. The City will establish and maintain adequate financial records as required by the laws of the State governing financial record-keeping by political subdivisions and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and will make these and the following records and reports available to the Owners or their authorized representatives upon request.

The City will cause an audit of its financial statements to be made by an independent firm of certified public accountants in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. Upon completion, but in no event later than six (6) months after the close of the applicable Fiscal Year, the City shall file a copy of such audited financial statements with the Bank and/or any Owner requesting same.

SECTION 21. Fidelity Bonds for Officers and Employees. So long as any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, the City shall require all of its officers and employees who may be in a position of authority or in possession of money derived from the collection of the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax, to obtain or be covered by a blanket fidelity or faithful performance bond, or independent fidelity bonds written by a responsible indemnity company in amounts adequate to protect the City from loss.

SECTION 22. <u>Discharge of Bond Ordinance</u>. If the City shall pay or cause to be paid, or there shall be paid to the Owners, the principal (and redemption price) of and interest on the Bonds, at the times and in the manner stipulated in this Bond Ordinance are paid in full for all amounts due and owing, then the pledge of the Net Revenues of the Tax or any other money, securities, and funds pledged under this Bond Ordinance and all covenants, agreements, and other obligations of the City to the Owners shall thereupon cease, terminate, and become void and be discharged and satisfied.

SECTION 23. <u>Defeasance</u>. Bonds or interest installments for the payment or redemption of which money shall have been set aside and shall be held in trust (through deposit by the City of funds for such payment or redemption or otherwise) at the maturity or redemption date thereof shall be deemed to have been paid within the meaning and with the effect expressed above in this Section, if they have been defeased pursuant to Chapter 14-A of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, or any successor provisions thereto.

SECTION 24. <u>Cancellation of Bonds</u>. All Bonds paid or prepaid either at or before maturity, together with all bonds purchased by the City, shall thereupon be promptly cancelled by the Paying Agent. The Paying Agent shall thereupon promptly furnish to the Chief Financial Officer of the City an appropriate certificate of cancellation. SECTION 25. <u>Lost, Destroyed or Improperly Cancelled Bonds</u>. Lost, destroyed or improperly cancelled Bonds may be replaced in the manner set forth in La. R.S. 39:515. In case any such lost, destroyed or improperly cancelled Bond has become or is about to become due and payable, the City in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Bond, pay such Bond.

SECTION 26. Successor Paying Agent; Paying Agent Agreement. The City will at all times maintain a Paying Agent for the performance of the duties hereunder for the Bonds. The designation of the initial Paying Agent in this Bond Ordinance is hereby confirmed and approved. The City reserves the right to appoint a successor Paying Agent by (a) filing with the Person then performing such function a certified copy of a resolution or ordinance giving notice of the termination and appointing a successor and (b) causing notice to be given to each Owner. Every successor Paying Agent appointed hereunder shall at all times be an officer of the City or a bank or trust company organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state, authorized under such laws to exercise trust powers, and subject to supervision or examination by Federal or State authority. The Authorized Officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute an appropriate agreement with the Paying Agent for and on behalf of the City in such form as may be satisfactory to said officers, the signatures of said officers on such Agreement to be conclusive evidence of the due exercise of the authority granted hereunder. No resignation or removal of the Paying Agent shall become effective until a successor has been appointed and has accepted the duties of Paying Agent.

SECTION 27. <u>Notices to Owners</u>. Wherever this Bond Ordinance provides for notice to Owners of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first class postage prepaid, to each Owner of such Bonds, at the address of such Owner as it appears in the Bond Register. In

any case where notice to Owners is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice to any particular Owner, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to all other Bonds. Where this Bond Ordinance provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the Owner entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Owners shall be filed with the Paying Agent, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

SECTION 28. Publication; Peremption. This Bond Ordinance shall be published at once in the official journal of the City, or in a newspaper having general circulation in the City. Exhibits to this Bond Ordinance need not be published if the exhibits are enumerated in the publication and it is stated in the publication that such exhibits are available for public inspection at the office of the Governing Authority during regular business hours. For thirty days after the date of publication, any person in interest may contest the legality of this Bond Ordinance and of any provision herein made for the security and payment of the Bonds. After that time, no one shall have any cause of action to test the regularity, formality, legality, or effectiveness of this Bond Ordinance, and provisions hereof for any cause whatever. Thereafter, it shall be conclusively presumed that every legal requirement for the issuance of the Bonds, has been complied with. No court shall have authority to inquire into any of these matters after the thirty days.

SECTION 29. <u>Disclosure Under SEC Rule 15c2-12</u>. The City is not required at this time to comply with the continuing disclosure requirements described in the Rule 15c2-12(b) of the Securities and Exchange Commission [17 CFR '240.15c2-12(b)], because:

- (a) the Bonds are not being purchased by a broker, dealer or municipal securities dealer acting as an underwriter in a primary offering of municipal securities; and
- (b) the Bonds are in denominations of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) or more and are being sold to no more than one financial institution or sophisticated investor which (i) have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that they are capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the prospective investment in the Bonds and (ii) are not purchasing said Bonds for more than one account or with a view to distributing same.

SECTION 30. Severability. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Bond Ordinance or of the Bonds issued hereunder shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Bond Ordinance or of the Bonds, but this Bond Ordinance and the Bonds shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained therein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this Bond Ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this Bond Ordinance or the Bonds which would not otherwise be valid or legal shall be deemed to apply to this Bond Ordinance and to the Bonds.

SECTION 31. Section Headings. The headings of the various sections hereof are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not control or affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

SECTION 32. Effective Date. This Bond Ordinance shall become effective upon signature of the Mayor, or, in the event of veto, upon re-adoption by the Governing Authority.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Timothy R. Riley, Kirk Boudreaux, Harold L. Stewart, Tyler J. Turner, Johnny A. Berthelot NAYS: None

ABSENT: None ABSTAINING: None

And the ordinance was declared adopted, on this, the 26th day of April, 2021.

APPROVED: /s/ Barney Arceneaux, Mayor

AS PERMITTED BY LA. R.S. 39:509, EXHIBIT A (FORM OF BOND) AND EXHIBIT B (BANK COMMITMENT LETTER) TO THE ORDINANCE ARE NOT BEING PUBLISHED BUT ARE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL CLERK, GONZALES CITY HALL, 120 S. IRMA BLVD., GONZALES, LA., DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.

Public Hearing and final vote on Ordinance No. 4144:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 22, SECTION 22-6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF GONZALES, LOUISIANA, TO AMEND SUB-PART "(A)(2)(J)" FOR THE PURPOSES OF PLANNING AND ZONING REQUIREMENTS OF VOTING, PURSUANT TO LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTE 33:406.

BE IT ORDAINED, By the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana that Section (22-6)(a)(2)(j) of the City of Gonzales Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"j. *Voting*. The concurring *vote* of a majority of the planning and zoning commission members present shall be required for any decision."

This ordinance was introduced on April 12, 2021, by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux. A public hearing having been duly held, the title read, and the ordinance considered, on motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner, a record vote was had as follows:

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAINED: NONE

Public Hearing and final vote on Ordinance No. 4145:

AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT AND RESTATE SECTION 8-140 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF GONZALES WITH RESPECT TO "VAGRANCY"

#### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES THAT:

Section 8-140- Vagrancy, of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Gonzales is hereby repealed and the following Ordinance language shall be deemed null and void and removed from the Code of Ordinances for the City of Gonzales:

Sec. 8-140. - Vagrancy.

The following persons are and shall be guilty of the misdemeanor of vagrancy:

- 1) Able-bodied persons who beg or solicit alms, provided that this section shall not apply to persons soliciting alms for bona fide religious, charitable or eleemosynary organizations with the authorization thereof; or
- 2) Persons found in or near any structure, movable, vessel, or private grounds without being able to account for their lawful presence therein; or
- 3) Persons upon whom or in whose possession shall be found any instrument, tool or other implement for picking locks or pockets, or any implement that is usually employed or that reasonably may be inferred to have been designed to be employed in the commission of any felony, misdemeanor or the violation of any ordinance, and who shall fail to account satisfactorily for the possession of the same.

This ordinance was introduced on April 12, 2021, by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux. A public hearing having been duly held, the title read, and the ordinance considered, on motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart, a record vote was had as follows:

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAINED: NONE

Public Hearing and final vote on Ordinance No. 4146:

AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT AND RESTATE SECTION 8-184(b) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF GONZALES WITH RESPECT TO "POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENTS"

### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES THAT:

Section 8-140(b) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Gonzales is hereby repealed and the following ordinance shall be deemed null and void and removed from the Code of Ordinances for the City of Gonzales:

(b) Any sheriff, deputy sheriff, state police, city police, constables, city marshals, or persons vested with police power, may search any person found in any place where alcoholic beverages are sold and consumed on the premises and shall confiscate any firearm or other instrumentality customarily used or intended for probable use as a dangerous weapon which such peace officer may find; this search shall be limited to only weapons unless probable cause for a wider search is authorized. Any person who enters a place where alcoholic beverages are sold and consumed on the premises does by the mere fact of entering, consent to the search of his person for any firearm or other instrumentality customarily used or intended for probable use as a dangerous weapon while on the premises, by any sheriff, deputy sheriff, state police, city police, constable, city marshal or persons vested with police power, without a warrant.

This ordinance was introduced on April 12, 2021, by Councilman John Berthelot. A public hearing having been duly held, the title read, and the ordinance considered, on motion by Councilman John Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner, a record vote was had as follows:

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE ABSTAINED: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to Approve to take immediate action on cleaning up the accumulation of trash and debris piled up on the property owned by Morgan Ellsworth located at 1030 E. Palmview St.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart,

Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to adopt Resolution No. 2921: A Resolution to declare the swimming pool at 422 East Weber Street, a public health hazard and a public nuisance and hereby order the owner to restore the pool to a safe and operating condition within thirty (30) days, and upon an inspection by the city official at that time if the pool is still a public safety hazard it should be filled and the cost assigned to the owner.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart,

Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman John Berthelot, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to declare as surplus the following:

1-2020 wrecked Ford Pick-up Vin # 1FDBF2A64LEC56389

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart,

Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to approve the Mayor to participate in the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Take 10 Litter pickup pledge to spend 10 minutes out of the daily activities picking up any litter nearby, in order the help keep Louisiana beautiful, and that he will encourage others to do the same.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to approve the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (IGA) with the Parish of Ascension) to pursue Federal funds through a joint application to the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the conversion of Airline Hwy. (US 61) from Lowes to S. Purpera Ave. into a DOTD *SuperStreet* concept.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman John Berthelot to adopt Resolution No. 2922: A Resolution for project Commitment for STBG>200k Funding fiscal years 2023-2026.

YEAS: Councilman John Berthelot, Councilman Tim Riley, Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Harold Stewart, Councilman Tyler Turner

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