

MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMAN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON MONDAY OCTOBER 25, 2021, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL 120 S. IRMA BLVD, GONZALES, LA 70737.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Barney Arceneaux, Mayor
Councilman Tim Riley
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux

Councilman Harold Stewart
Councilman Tyler Turner
Councilman John A. Berthelot

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

A Public Hearing was called to discuss Ordinance change to the City of Gonzales Code of Ordinances.

Mayor Barney Arceneaux opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 4165: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance, Chapter 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-2. Zoning Districts to approve the request of Bearing Point Properties for Sawgrass Village to rezone Lot b-cla-c2A Parcel # 2573080, being approximately 15.91 Acres, From C-1 to a PUD (Planned Unit Development), located at the Southwestern Intersection of Orice Roth Road and Veterans Blvd.

Mr. Dean Bryson with Bearing Point Properties spoke of the plans to rezone the property to develop PUD (Planned Unit Development) single family housing detached rental units on the corner of West Orice Roth and Veterans Blvd.

Mr. Hobert Grayson asked the Developer about the cost of renting these units. He wanted to know if they will be affordable, and what are you going to do about helping the citizens? Then he asked the developer why build if the cost is so high?

Mr. Dean Bryson with Bearing Point Properties replied that they will be comparable with other rental facilities in the area, and they will meet all requirements of the City of Gonzales and other Governmental entities.

Ms. Alsie Dunbar asked the Developer about the drainage impact to the area?

Mr. Dean Bryson replied that if the Zoning Change is approved that the development of 7 or 8 units would have a lower impact use than a larger rental unit that could be built on that property with the current Zoning. He also stated that they will meet all the storm water requirements of the City of Gonzales and the city will review it before permitting the building of rental units.

Ms. Alsie Dunbar then asked what will be done about the traffic in that area.

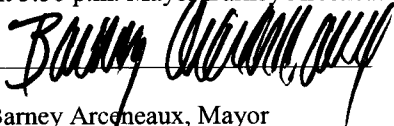
Mr. Dean Bryson replied that the Developer will meet all traffic study requirements.

Mr. Scot Byrd, City Clerk stated that the traffic impact studies will be under the jurisdiction of State of Louisiana DOTD. They will review the plans of the development and they will call for a traffic impact study if needed and determine whatever mitigation requirements are necessary before a building a structure or any development can be done on the property. Scot also stated that there is already a plan in place and a connector road from Veterans to Commerce is already being developed. Also that LA DOTD has planned a roundabout at Commerce and LA Hwy 30.

Alsie Dunbar also asked if the Developer ever thought about improving traffic in the area.

Mr. Dean Bryson stated that the Developer has already paid for several improvements at Veterans and Hwy.30, and donated land for the connector road and will meet any requirements of LA DOTD.

At 5:50 p.m. Mayor Barney Arceneaux closed the Public Hearing.


Barney Arceneaux, Mayor

ATTEST:

Scot Byrd, City Clerk