



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
April 12, 2016
5:30pm**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Councilman President Mike Williams
The Public Hearing was called to order by President Mike Williams at 5:30pm
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (A),
Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (P)

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. An Ordinance to amend the Unified Development Code regarding the duties and authority of the Planning and Zoning Commission (TA-2016-02-00003) Recommend approval by Planning & Zoning Commission. Josh Taylor, presented this item. City Attorney explained that this change will allow the Planning Commission to act as a Board of Adjustment without the need to appoint a separate Board of Adjustment.

There were no public comments

2. An Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Infinite Investments LLC to rezone Lot 8 in Block 78 of the Hyer Survey (0.172 acre parcel measuring 50'X150') located at 306 S. Oak St. from RM-2 to MX-C in accordance with survey by Wm. J. Bodin Jr. dated 1/21/2016 (Z-2016-02-00015) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission. Josh Taylor, presented this item and informed the council that they want to rezone it to MX-C. The owner intends to tear the building down to build 4plex apartments.

There were no public comments

3. An Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Play and Stay Inc. (Clarence & Linda Whittington) to rezone a 90' x 660' parcel (1.36Acres) in the SE Quarter of Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 7 East located at 506 JW Davis Dr. from RS-3* to RM-3 (Z-2016-02-00016) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission. Josh Taylor, stated that they want to rezone property to RM-3. The owner intended to place apartments on the property.

There were no public comments

4. An Ordinance to approve rezoning request by White Oaks Enterprise Inc. & Clarence and Linda Whittington to rezone 0.568 acres, Lot 1 of the Whittington Subdivision, a lot measuring 203.51' x 332.51', and 0.75 acres being located at 205, 203, 113, and 109 White Street from RM-2 to RM-3 (Z-2016-02-00017) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission. Josh Taylor, presented this item stated this would be for RM-3. It is the same owners but different companies and they want to combine the lots.

There were no public comments



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
April 12, 2016**

6:00 PM or immediately following public hearing.

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Councilman President Mike Williams
Regular Session was called to order by President Mike Williams at 5:50pm
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (P)
- III. PRAYER:** Rev. Maryland
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute.
Councilman Johnny Blount
- V. REPORTS**
- 1. Council: NONE**
- Mayor:** The City won the District Clean City contest. The Mayor announced that Golden Corral may move to the Ryan's bldg.; University Crossing Railroad tracks has been completed with \$337,000 funded for Railroad Crossing, and concrete has been poured at North Oaks Park for a playground.
- 2. Recognition of New Businesses: NONE**
- VII. Minutes of March 22, 2016,** After review it was motioned by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Johnny Blount to approve the minutes of March 22, 2016.
- Vote:** Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0
- VIII. RESOLUTIONS**
- A. OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. A resolution authorizing La Carreta Mexican Cuisine to get a Waiver of the Open Container Law for the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on May 5, 2016 from 2:00pm – 10:30pm within the boundaries of Charles Street to Railroad Avenue and part of Casa de Fresa Parking Mall. Nicole Anthony, presented this item requesting a waiver for Cinco de Mayo celebration. . There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and Seconded by Johnny Blount authorizing La Carreta Mexican Cuisine to get a Waiver _____ of the Open Container Law for the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on May 5, 2016 from _____ 2:00pm – 10:30pm within the boundaries of Charles Street to Railroad Avenue and part of Casa de Fresa Parking Mall.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

2. A resolution authorizing La Carreta Mexican Cuisine located at 108 NW Railroad Avenue to sell alcohol on the sidewalk in front of the restaurant on May 5, 2016 from 2:00pm – 10:30pm. Nicole Anthony, presented this item requesting to sell alcohol on side walk for the Cinco de Mayo celebration. . There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Jonnnny Blount authorizing La Carreta Mexican Cuisine located at 108 NW Railroad Avenue to sell alcohol on the sidewalk in front of the restaurant on May 5, 2016 from 2:00pm – 10:30pm.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

3. A resolution to approve the nomination of Bruce O’Krepki to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board to fill a vacant seat, representing the Majority Property Owners, for the remainder of the two-year term from April 13, 2016 to December 31, 2017. Director of Administration, Dr. Lacy Landrum, presented this item recommending approval of Bruce O’Krepki to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board. There was a motion by Jason Hood and Seconded by Lemar Marshall to approve the nomination of Bruce O’Krepki to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board to fill a vacant seat, representing the Majority Property Owners, for the remainder of the two-year term from April 13, 2016 to December 31, 2017.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

4. A resolution to approve the nomination of Jonathan Wong to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board to finish the remainder of the two-year term of Cindy Shelton, representing the Majority Property Owners, from April 13, 2016 to December 31, 2016. Director of Administration, Dr. Lacy Landrum, presented this item recommending approval of Jonathan Wong to the Hammond Downtown Developemnt District Board. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Lemar Marshall to approve the nomination of Jonathan Wong to the Hammond Downtown Development District Board to finish the remainder of the two-year term of Cindy Shelton, representing the Majority Property Owners, from April 13, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

5. A resolution to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Agreement between the City of Hammond and the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development, for grant funds of \$1,600 for the project, “Radio Traffic Recording System” (SPN: H.012342) for the Hammond Northshore Regional Airport. Dave Lobue, presented this item informing council that this is for a new Radio Traffic Recording System for the airport improvements from funds appropriated from the Transportation Trust funds. There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Johnny Blount to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Agreement between the City of Hammond and the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development, for grant funds of \$1,600 for the project, “Radio Traffic Recording System” (SPN: H.012342) for the Hammond Northshore Regional Airport.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

6. A resolution (1) approving an application for \$250,000 in Land and Water Conservation Funds, administered by the Louisiana Office of State Parks Division of Outdoor Recreation, for Zemurray Pond and Park Improvements Phase 3 – Zemurray Swimming Pool; (2) agreeing to a cash match of \$250,000; and (3) authorizing the Mayor to sign all grant-related documents. Charles W. Borchers, IV, presented this item stated this is phase 3 grant match fund. He also stated funds are not paid until the grant is approved which will most likely be in 2017. There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Jason Hood (1) approving an application for \$250,000 in Land and Water Conservation Funds, administered by the Louisiana Office of State Parks Division of Outdoor Recreation, for Zemurray Pond and Park Improvements Phase 3 – Zemurray Swimming Pool; (2) agreeing to a cash match of \$250,000; and (3) authorizing the Mayor to sign all grant-related documents.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

7. A resolution (1) approving the submission of a grant application to Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program for \$75,000 to replace/install emergency generators and automatic transfer switches at municipal lift stations; (2) agreeing to a cash match of up to \$25,000; and (3) authorizing the Mayor to sign all grant-related documents. Charles W. Borchers, IV, presented this item informing council this is upgrading lift 10 & lift 22 of the lift station three yards from the Water & Sewar. There was a motion by Johnny Blount and seconded by Lemar Marshall (1) approving the submission of a grant application to Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program for \$75,000 to replace/install emergency generators and automatic transfer switches at municipal lift stations; (2) agreeing to a cash match of up to \$25,000; and (3) authorizing the Mayor to sign all grant-related documents.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

8. A resolution (1) approving an application to Keep Louisiana Beautiful for a Healthy Communities Grant of \$10,000 to replace/install waste receptacles and encourage personal and community responsibility for a cleaner, more sustainable Hammond; (2) agreeing to an in-kind match of \$2,500; and (3) authorizing the Mayor to sign all grant-related documents. Charles W. Borchers, IV, presented this item recommending approval to replace & install waste receptacles. There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Johnny Blount (1) approving an application to Keep Louisiana Beautiful for a Healthy Communities Grant of \$10,000 to replace/install waste receptacles and encourage personal and community responsibility for a cleaner, more sustainable Hammond; (2) agreeing to an in-kind match of \$2,500; and (3) authorizing the Mayor to sign all grant-related documents.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

9. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1307 Martin L. King Dr. (87% damaged), located in Council District 1. The owners are Brenda Lee & Yolanda R. Cyprian & Adair Asset Mgmt LLC, Rosewood Place #5, Hammond, LA 70401. Bobby Mitchell, presented this item requesting authorization for demolition for property 1307 Martin L. King Drive. There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Johnny Blount authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1307 Martin L. King Dr. (87% damaged), located in Council District 1. The owners are Brenda Lee & Yolanda R. Cyprian & Adair Asset Mgmt LLC, Rosewood Place #5, Hammond, LA 70401.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

10. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 403 S. Cypress St. (61% damaged), located in Council District 2. The owner is EKROB, LLC, 608 W. Robert St., Hammond, LA 70401. Bobby Mitchell, presented this item informing council there is a partial demolition contracted by the owner and the owner is expected to obtain a demolition permit within 30 days; prior to the time the City would begin demolition. . There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount authorizing the demolition of a property located at 403 S. Cypress St. (61% damaged), located in Council District 2. The owner is EKROB, LLC, 608 W. Robert St., Hammond, LA 70401.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

11. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 109 Reed St. (100% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is Harris Bates, 109 Reed St., Hammond, LA 70403. Bobby Mitchell, recommending approval for demolition. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount authorizing the demolition of a property located at 109 Reed St. (100% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is Harris Bates, 109 Reed St., Hammond, LA 70403.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

12. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 110 W. Green St. (91% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is Rodney D. Adams, P.O. Box 1915, Hammond, LA 70404. Bobby Mitchell, recommending approval for demolition. There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Johnny Blount authorizing the demolition of a property located at 110 W. Green St. (91% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is Rodney D. Adams, P.O. Box 1915, Hammond, LA 70404.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

13. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 111 E. Newman St. (86% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is First Family Financial Service AKA/CitiFinancial Servicing LLC, C/O Bridget C. Bird, 5615 Corporate Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70808. Bobby Mitchell, recommending approval for demolition. There was a motion by Johnny Blount and seconded by Jason Hood authorizing the demolition of a property located at 111 E. Newman St. (86% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is First Family Financial Service AKA/CitiFinancial Servicing LLC, C/O Bridget C. Bird, 5615 Corporate Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70808.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

14. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 200 E. Stanley St. (89% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owners are Volkona Al & BMO Harris, C/O BMO 16, P.O. Box 1414, Minneapolis, MN 55480. Bobby Mitchell, recommending approval for demolition. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Lemar Marshall authorizing the demolition of a property located at 200 E. Stanley St. (89% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owners are Volkona Al & BMO Harris, C/O BMO 16, P.O. Box 1414, Minneapolis, MN 55480.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

15. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 402 Washington Ave. (91% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is Zina R. Washington, P.O. Box 2074, Hammond, LA 70404. Bobby Mitchell, presented this item informed council that owner was present. Zina R Washington, P.O. Box 2074 Hammond, La. informed council that she intends to renovate the property. She was informed that she has 45 days to demolish with option to repair. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount authorizing the demolition of a property located at 402 Washington Ave. (91% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is Zina R. Washington, P.O. Box 2074, Hammond, LA 70404.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

16. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1002 Natchez St. (99% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owners are Georgia Mae C. Carter, ETAL C/O Georgia M. Carter, 1002 Natchez St., Hammond, LA 70403. Bobby Mitchell, recommending approval for demolition. There was a motion by Johnny Blount and seconded by Jason Hood authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1002 Natchez St. (99% damaged), located in Council District 3.

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17. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1002 Varnado St. (99% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is ZT Washington, C/O Frances Perkins, 2236 Litchwood Lane, Harvey, LA 70058. Bobby Mitchell recommending approval for demolition and the owner agrees to demolition. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1002 Varnado St. (99% damaged), located in Council District 3.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

**18. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1103 S. Pine St. (97% damaged), located in Council District 3. The owner is Warren Griffin Jr., 41287 W. Yellow Water Rd., Hammond, LA 70403. Bobby Mitchell, presented this item informed council that this property has already been demolished by owner. Motion to Remove
There was a motion to remove this item from the agenda by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount.**

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

19. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 1214 Blackburn Ext. (100% damaged), located in Council District 4. The owner is Louis D. Barca, 1210 Blackburn Ext., Hammond, LA 70401. Bobby Mitchell, presented this item informed council that this property has already been demolished by owner. Motion to Remove
There was a motion to remove this item from the agenda by Lemar Marshall
and seconded by Johnny Blount.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

20. A resolution authorizing the demolition of a property located at 2709 Anderson St. (86% damaged), located in Council District 4. The owners are Instant Funding LLC & Continental Resources, 7660 Fay Ave., Jolla, CA 92037. Bobby Mitchell, presented this and provided an update on the status of previous demolition and is recommending approval for demolition. There was a motion by Johnny Blount and seconded by Lemar Marshall authorizing the demolition of a property located at 2709 Anderson St. (86% damaged), located in Council District 4. The owners are Instant Funding LLC & Continental Resources, 7660 Fay Ave., Jolla, CA 92037

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

IX. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:

1. Final adoption of an Ordinance to amend the Unified Development Code regarding the duties and authority of the Planning and Zoning Commission (TA-2016-02-00003)
Recommend approval by Planning & Zoning Commission. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount adopting an Ordinance to amend the Unified Development Code regarding the duties and authority of the Planning and Zoning Commission (TA-2016-02-00003) Recommend approval by Planning & Zoning Commission.

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2. Final adoption of an Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Infinite Investments LLC to rezone Lot 8 in Block 78 of the Hyer Survey (0.172 acre parcel measuring 50'X150') located at 306 S. Oak St. from RM-2 to MX-C in accordance with survey by Wm. J. Bodin Jr. dated 1/21/2016 (Z-2016-02-00015) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission.
There was a motion by Johnny Blount and seconded by Jason Hood adopting an ordinance to approve rezoning request by Infinite Investments LLC to rezone Lot 8 in Block 78 of the Hyer Survey (0.172 acre parcel measuring 50'X150') located at 306 S. Oak St. from RM-2 to MX-C in accordance with survey by Wm. J. Bodin Jr. dated 1/21/2016 (Z-2016-02-00015) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission.

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X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Introduction of an Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Vincent F. Roubique from I-L to C-H for a parcel approximately 255.79' X 313.50' fronting on Tower Drive located at 1635 Hwy 190 East, in accordance with Tower Commercial Park Plat, recorded 9/28/1987 (Case#Z-2016-03-00018) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission. Josh Taylor, presented this item recommending approval for public Hearing. There was a motion by Johnny Blount and seconded by Jason Hood to introduce an Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Vincent F. Roubique from I-L to C-H for a parcel approximately 255.79' X 313.50' fronting on Tower Drive located at 1635 Hwy 190 East, in accordance with Tower Commercial Park Plat, recorded 9/28/1987 (Case#Z-2016-03-00018) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (A), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 4-0

(Public Hearing Set for April 26th, 2016)

XI. ADJOURN: There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Johnny Blount to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK
I TONIA BANKS, CLERK OF COUNCIL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING IS A TURE AND CORRECT RECITATION OF THE BUSINESS TRANSACTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD April 12th, 2016 BEING 8 PAGES IN LENGTH

Alma Mitchell, Interim Council Clerk,
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK

MIKE WILLIAMS, HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT