



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
May 24, 2016
5:30pm**

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

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. An Ordinance to amend the Hammond Criminal Code (Chapter 21) of the Code of Ordinances regarding offenses and miscellaneous provisions. Britian Sledge, Assistant City Attorney, stated that this is a cleanup provision from the Criminal Code Ordinance that was adopted last year with a couple of clerical errors. These errors were found by Municode when they performed the digital update.

There were no Public Comments

2. An Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Espen Lilleslatten & Renata Arado to rezone 210' of the north portion of a parcel (being 210'x175') located at 607 W. Morris Ave. from RM-2 to MX-N (recommended approval by the Zoning Commission) Z-2016-04-00019. Josh Taylor, City Planner presented this item and informed council that this is a rezoning for mixed use that will leave a buffer in the back to keep the residential and commercial spaces separate.

There were no Public Comments

3. An Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Starwood Management Company (Vincent B. Starwood) to rezone Lot 3 (75'x149') fronting on Natchez St. & Mississippi St. from RS-3 to RS-11.A in accordance with survey by Wm. J. Bodin Jr. dated 3/7/2015 (recommend to deny by the Zoning Commission) Z-2016-04-00020. Josh Taylor, City Planner, presented this item. The property owner wants an amendment to allow mobile homes for rent on the property, which is located on northeast quadrant of Natchez and Mississippi Streets. The Zoning Commission recommended to deny this request for rezoning.

Janice Carter Beard: wanted to know why it's recommended to be denied when there are 3 mobile homes on the street corners across from the lot.

Josh Taylor: Informed everyone that in 1999 it was zoned RM-4, and the Council took it out and placed it in RS-3. The council voted not to have any mobile homes in that area according to the Master Plan.

Mayor: Sometimes individuals move mobile homes on a property without city knowing about it.

Councilman Marshall: We're working on limiting mobile home footprints in Hammond. Allowing this would be against the Master Plan.

Regina Miller: What's going to happen to the people who can't afford to buy houses but can afford mobile homes who have property in that area?

Councilman Marshall: If you have a mobile home on your property now you're able to replace it within a 6 month period with another mobile home that's no more than 10 years old.

4. An Ordinance to approve Expanded Conditional Use request by Joshua Stafford (applicant) to allow sweetshop/snowball stand meeting all requirements at 1110 W. Morris Ave.; Zoned MX-C & Thomas/Morris Overlay (recommended approval with conditions by the Zoning Commission) Z-2016-04-00021.

The conditions are:

- 1) The approval shall be with the understanding that such use is a personal right that expires upon change in ownership or applicants being listed above; and
- 2) Must meet all building code requirements.

Josh Taylor, City Planner, Sweetshops/snowballs stands are all considered conditional uses. They will have to meet all conditions which are: 1) The approval shall be with the understanding that such use is a personal right that expires upon change in ownership or applicants being listed above; and 2) Must meet all building code requirements. Must have paved parking, setbacks, and gravel driveway.

There were no Public Comments

5. An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 16-5468 C.S. regarding Public Works Millage. Jinnie Wilson, presented this ordinance and said it is to rescind the 2 mills ordinance adopted earlier because the ordinance did not meet the 30 day publication requirement.

There were no Public Comments

6. STA Falcon Baseball Team Recognition. Mike Williams, the honor of recognizing STA Baseball team for winning the Championship. Coach Barrett Morgan spoke about the team, complimenting how they grew together and presented toughness during the year. The team was presented with the key to the City of Hammond.

Mayor: Congratulated the team on their win and informed them to continue to work hard and thank their parents.



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

May 24, 2016

6:00 PM or immediately following public hearing.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Councilman President Mike Williams
Regular Session was called to order by Mike Williams at 5:50 P.M.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (P)
- III. **PRAYER :** Rev. Myers
- IV. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute.
Councilman Johnny Blount
- V. **REPORTS**
 1. Council: NONE

2. Mayor:

Announcement of the Millage (Public Hearing set for June 28, 2016)

- A. An Ordinance to adopt the following adjusted millage rates
- B. An Ordinance to adopt the roll forward millage rates
- C. An Ordinance to adopt the 2 Mills Public Works Millage rates

North Oaks Park playground build went great. The playground should be operational on Sunday or Monday.

On June 6, 2016, the Zemurray pool will open. This year it will be open 7 days a week from 10am to 6pm.

3. Recognition of New Businesses: NONE

VII. Minutes of May 10, 2016, After review it was motioned by Janice Carter Beard and seconded by Jason Hood to approve the minutes of May 10th, 2016.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).

Motion Approved 5-0

VIII. RESOLUTIONS

A. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. A resolution approving the submission of a \$25,000 grant application to the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for firefighting equipment. Charles W. Borchers IV, informed the Council that there is no match requirement. The grantor would like to see that the Council was involved in the process of submitting the application. The firefighting equipment would include spreader tool, round tool, and rescue truck lodge. There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Janice Carter Beard approving the submission of a \$25,000 grant application to the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for firefighting equipment.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).

Motion Approved 5-0

2. A resolution to appoint Aristides Baraya to the Hammond Economic & Industrial Development District Board for a three-year term from June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2019. Mayor Panepinto, presented this item and informed the Council that Dr. Baraya is a professor at Southeastern Louisiana University, and he hopes that Dr. Baraya will bring international businesses to Hammond. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to appoint Aristides Baraya to the Hammond Economic & Industrial Development District Board for a three-year term from June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2019.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).

Motion Approved 5-0

3. A resolution to appoint Perry Catchings to the Hammond Industrial Development Board for a two-year term from June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2018. Mayor Panepinto, presented this item and informed the Council that Mr. Catchings works with Wal-mart and been there for 22 years. He has extensive knowledge of distribution centers and will be a good fit for the board. There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and seconded by Lemar Marshall to appoint Perry Catchings to the Hammond Industrial Development Board for a two-year term from June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2018.

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).

Motion Approved 5-0

4. A resolution to appoint Shauna Seals to the Hammond Historic District Board for a four-year term, to fill the unexpired term of Tom Pistorius, effective May 25, 2016 to March 31, 2017. Mayor Panepinto, presented this item and informed the Council that Ms. Seals is a Hammond High School and Southeastern Louisiana University graduate who is retired from Exxon. He stated Ms. Seals lives locally and is willing to help the City through her service on this board. There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and seconded by Lemar Marshall to appoint Shauna Seals to the Hammond Historic District Board for a four-year term, to fill the unexpired term of Tom Pistorius, effective May 25, 2016 to March 31, 2017.

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

5. A resolution to approve Change Order No. One (1) – FINAL for “Pine Hill Sewer Extension” (project 616-11507). Chuck Spangler, City Engineer, presented this item and informed the Council that the project contractor is Mitchell Contracting, Inc. The sum of \$48,058.50 is deducted from the original contract price and the total adjusted price to date is \$318,529.50. Mr. Spangler recommended approval for change order (1). There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to approve Change Order No. One (1) – FINAL for “Pine Hill Sewer Extension” (project 616-11507).

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

6. A resolution to accept work as substantially complete and to commence the 45-day lien period withholding 10% retainage for “Pine Hill Sewer Extension” (project 616-11507). Chuck Spangler, City Engineer, presented this item and informed the Council that the project contractor is Mitchell Contracting, Inc. A punch list remains, but the City will hold \$32,000 until the 45-day period expires. Mr. Spangler recommended to accept the work as substantially complete. There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to accept work as substantially complete and to commence the 45-day lien period withholding 10% retainage for “Pine Hill Sewer Extension” (project 616-11507).

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

7. A resolution to approve Change Order No. Two (2) for “Sewer Rehabilitation – Infiltration/Inflow Repairs” (project 616-31401). Chuck Spangler, City Engineer, informed the Council that Insituform Technologies is the project contractor. Mr. Spangler recommends expanding the sewer system survey and overall project area for rehabilitation work since there is money remaining in the loan. Change Order No. 1 was approved for \$109,640.00 earlier, and Mr. Spangler is now recommending the approval of Change Order No. 2 for \$398,433.60. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to approve Change Order No. Two (2) for “Sewer Rehabilitation – Infiltration/Inflow Repairs” (project 616-31401).

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

8. A resolution to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the City of Hammond to upgrade the highway/rail crossing safety along the City’s Railroad Spur (SPN: H.010703). Chuck Spangler, City Engineer, presented this item and informed the Council that this is an agreement with Louisiana DOTD and the City of Hammond to construct new railroad warning devices for the City’s four crossings at Bonita St., Church St., LA 443/Morris Rd., and Wood Scale Rd.. DOTD will use federal funds to pay for the warning devices at the four railroad crossings, , and the City will be responsible for maintenance after installation. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the City of Hammond to upgrade the highway/rail crossing safety along the City’s Railroad Spur (SPN: H.010703).

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

IX. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:

1. Final adoption of an Ordinance to amend the Hammond Criminal Code (Chapter 21) of the Code of Ordinances regarding offenses and miscellaneous provisions. There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and seconded by Jason Hood to adopt an ordinance to amend the Hammond Criminal Code (Chapter 21) of the Code of Ordinances regarding offenses and miscellaneous provisions.

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

2. Final Adoption an Ordinance to approve rezoning request by Espen Lilleslatten & Renata Arado to rezone 210' of the north portion of a parcel (being 210'x175') located at 607 W. Morris Ave. from RM-2 to MX-N (recommended approval by the Zoning Commission) Z-2016-04-00019. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to approve rezoning request by Espen Lilleslatten & Renata Arado to rezone 210' of the north portion of a parcel (being 210'x175') located at 607 W. Morris Ave. from RM-2 to MX-N (recommended approval by the Zoning Commission) Z-2016-04-00019.

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

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**Vote: Johnny Blount (N), Jason Hood (N), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (N), Mike Williams (N).
Motion Denied 4-1**

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**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

5. Final Adoption of an Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 16-5468 C.S. regarding Public Works Millage. There was a motion by Jason Hood and seconded by Johnny Blount to rescind Ordinance No. 16-5468 C.S. regarding Public Works Millage.

**Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0**

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Introduction of an ordinance to amend the City of Hammond budget for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 in accordance with the procedures set within Section 5-03 of the City of Hammond Charter.

Syeda Naeem, presented this item and informed the Council that this is the annual amendment to the budget to establish the actual starting fund balances instead of those estimated in the budget. **There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Janice Carter Beard to introduce an ordinance to amend the City of Hammond budget for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 in accordance with the procedures set within Section 5-03 of the City of Hammond Charter.**

Vote: Johnny Blount (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Mike Williams (Y).
Motion Approved 5-0

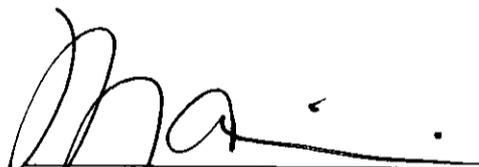
(Public hearing is set for the June 28, 2016)

XI. ADJOURN: There was a motion by Lemar Marshall and seconded by Janice Carter Beard 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 TRUE AND CORRECT RECITATION OF THE BUSINESS TRANSACTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD **May 24th, 2016** BEING 6 PAGES IN LENGTH



TONIA BANKS, COUNCIL CLERK
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK



MIKE WILLIAMS, HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT