



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
November 22, 2016
5:30pm**

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

1. An ordinance to transfer \$12, 600.00 from fund 205 court awarded assets to project account 25120000-540167-21703 to purchase bullet proof vest. Charles Borchers IV, presented this item to council stating this is to transfer \$12,600.00 from fund 205 to purchase bullet proof vests. Mr. Borchers also stated this a dollar for dollar matching Grant.

There were no Public Comments



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
November 22, 2016
6:00 PM or immediately following public hearing.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Councilman President Mike Williams
Regular Session was called to order by Councilman Mike Williams At 5:35 P.M.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (A), Mike Williams (P)
- III. PRAYER :** Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute.
Councilman Jason Hood

V. REPORTS:

1. Council: Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard stated she attended the LHSAA State Swim meet in Sulphur, LA@ Spark Park. She stated the location was similar to our Zemurray Park location.

2. Mayor: Stated that he & Lacy Landrum met with representatives of the State Office of Motor Vehicles about our local OMV office.

Mayor Pete Panepinto, stated there would be some restrictions if the local OMV office was not a public tag agent through the City of Hammond. He stated the \$3 fee could be used for other purposes if the contract allowed for it. Mayor Panepinto stated that if the City moves forward he intends to re-negotiate the contract as to the use of the fee.

Councilman Mike Williams informed the Council that he attended the retirement ceremony for Jimmy Cathey, who is retiring as CEO of North Oaks.

3. Recognition of New Businesses: NONE

VI. Minutes of November 7, 2016; After review it was motioned by Johnny Blount and second by Janice Carter Beard to approve the minutes of October 11, 2016.

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

VII. RESOLUTIONS

A. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. A resolution authorizing AMC Palace Hammond 10 located at 801 Fagan Drive, Hammond, LA. 70403 to add on Low content to already high content alcohol License. Jinnie Wilson, stated that AMC Palace has a high alcohol license in place their just requesting to add a low alcohol license.

Representatives: Erin Kenney, Attorney with Taylor & Porter Law Firm, 450 Laurel Street, Baton Rouge 70801 Counsel for AMC.

Robert Skinner: Local Manager for the Hammond AMC Palace: 801 C.M. Fagan Drive

President Councilman Mike Williams explained the alcohol sales to minors is prohibited and will be strictly enforced.

There was a motion by Johnny Blount and Second by Janice Carter Beard authorizing AMC Palace Hammond 10 located at 801 Fagan Drive, Hammond, LA. 70403 to add on Low content to already high content alcohol License. Jinnie Wilson, stated that AMC Palace has a high alcohol license in place their just requesting to add a low alcohol license.

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

2. A resolution supporting an \$18,000 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant application to purchase a boat for the Hammond Police Department. Charles W. Borchers IV, presented this item stated that the grants department applied for a state Justice Grant for the purchase of a boat for the Hammond Police Department. This would be needed for floods, assist citizens with sandbags, and assist them to safety. There is no match on grant.

Councilman Jason Hood temporarily left the meeting

There was a motion by Johnny Blount and Second by Janice Carter Beard supporting an \$18,000 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant application to purchase a boat for the Hammond Police Department.

Vote: Lemar Marshall (A), Jason Hood (A), Mike Williams (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 3-0

3. A resolution to ratify and award bids received November 18, 2016 for "Sewer System Improvements [FY2017]", City project #616-11702. Webb Anderson, requested that this item be tabled. **There was a motion by Johnny Blount and Second by Janice Carter Beard to table a resolution to ratify and award bids received November 18, 2016 for "Sewer System Improvements [FY2017]", City project #616-11702.**

Vote: Lemar Marshall (A), Jason Hood (A), Mike Williams (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Tabled 3-0

Councilman Jason Hood returned to the Meeting

4. A resolution to accept the proposed insurance package for calendar year 2016. A resolution to accept the proposed insurance package for calendar year 2017. There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and Jason Hood to amend agenda from 2016 to 2017

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

Henry Powell, informed the council that the recommended renewal would be United Healthcare at a 7% increase which will be \$133, 000 increase to the city.

Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard asked a question concerning the Benny Card usage for Dental. Mr. Powell stated the Benny Card cannot be used because it's an IRS monitored functions covered in the Medical Plan. The Dental Plan & the Vision Plan is not included.

There was a motion by Jason Hood and Second by Janice Carter Beard to accept the proposed insurance package for calendar year 2017.

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

5. A resolution to select a Consultant and award a contract to conduct the Comprehensive Classification and Compensation Study for the City of Hammond (RFP 17-06). Loretta Severan, presented this item to the council and recommended contracting with Management Advisory Group (MAG) for the consultation and compensation study. Human Resource Director, Loretta Severan distributed out an evaluation sheet to the council for review, MAG meets the criteria and was the low bidder. **There was a motion by Jason Hood and Second by Janice Carte Beard to select Management Advisory Group to conduct the Comprehensive Classification and Compensation Study for the City of Hammond (RFP 17-06).**

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

6. A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and the City to contribute \$6,900 for sidewalk installation at the Baltzell Building in downtown. Lacy Landrum, presented this item informing council this building has been ongoing historical renovation for reuse of commercial and residential. The agreement is between the City, DDD, & Baltzell building. The cost will be 1/3 for each participating group. **There was a motion by Jason Hood and Second by Janice Carter Beard authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and the City to contribute \$6,900 for sidewalk installation at the Baltzell Building in downtown.**

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

VIII. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

1. Final adoption of an ordinance to transfer \$12, 600.00 from fund 205 court awarded assets to project account 25120000-540167-21703 to purchase bullet proof vest. (Charles Borchers IV)

There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and Second by Johnny Blount to adopt an ordinance to transfer \$12, 600.00 from fund 205 court awarded assets to project account 25120000-540167-21703 to purchase bullet proof vest.

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

IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

X. ADJOURN: There was a motion by Janice Carter Beard and second by Jason Hood to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor and the motion 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 **November 22nd, 2016 BEING **4 PAGES** IN LENGTH**

**TONIA BANKS, COUNCIL CLERK
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK**

PRESIDENT MIKE WILLIAMS, HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL