

**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
July 24, 2018
5:30pm**

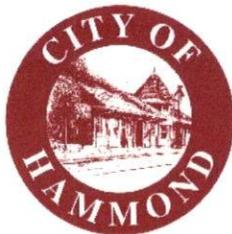
- I. CALL TO ORDER: Council President Johnny Blount
Public Hearing was called to order by Council President Johnny Blount @ 5:30pm**
- II. ROLL CALL: Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P),
Mike Williams (P)**

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. An Ordinance for Final Subdivision Approval of Providence Ridge Subdivision, Acceptance of Letter of Credit/2Year Maintenance Bond for all infrastructure, and Acceptance of 1 year Performance Bond for sidewalks in accordance with Final Plat by John G. Cummings dated 12/12/2017 and As Built by Clay Barrilleaux dated 4/24/2018; Zoned RS-3 recommended approval by Planning Commission. Tracie Schillace, presented this item and informed the Council that it's a Single Family Residential Subdivision with 99 lots and located behind Cypress Pointe Hospital.

Owner: Robert Bruno- 70325 Hwy., 1077 Covington, and LA.70433: Stated he's excited about things in the area and looks forward to working with the City.

There were no other public comments:



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA
REGULAR SESSION
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
July 24, 2018
6:00pm Immediately following Public Hearing.**

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

V. REPORTS:

1. **Council:** Councilman Lemar Marshall stated he wants a chance to have candidates for office to appear before the Council.

Council President Johnny Blount recognized Delmas Dunn Sr and Belinda Trepagnier to speak about the Black Tie event

Delmus Dunn, Sr: 47594 Monticello Drive, Hammond 70404

Belinda Trepagnier: 17414 Old Covington Hwy., 70403, stated she sits on the Black Tie Committee for the African American Heritage Museum.

Delmus Dunn, Stated he was in attendance to inform everyone about the Black Tie Event that will be August 4th, at 5:30pm. Honorable Judge Lamelle who is over the Desegregation Case for the Tangipahoa Parish Schools will be the Keynote speaker and Louisiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Bernadette Johnson who was the speaker from last year. Justice Johnson will unveil a portrait to the museum. Mr. Dunn & Mrs. Trepagnier stated they were excited about the event and the fundraiser is to benefit the museum.

Delmus Dunn, Sr, Informed the Council that there are other Committee Members:

Dr. John Hatcher – Chairman of Committee

Attorney, Zeta Ard- Member of Committee

Sierra Tim- Member of Committee

Todd Rattler- Member of Committee

Tickets are \$50 each, Table \$500.00 (10 to table), there will be a cash bar and live auction.

2. **Mayor:** The Mayor recognized Tracie St. John who is a member of Mission Church. Mrs. St. John stated that the Church purchased 20 acres for a Recovery home for women in Tangipahoa Parish. The Center will be for woman from all backgrounds to assist them with getting back on their feet. Peter's House is a nonprofit organization that her and her husband purchased. There will be 22 room retreat center and asking businesses and church's to partner with them to help these women. Hoping to open in 90 days and can house between 40-50 women.

Mayor: Announced a Grant for \$20,000 was received from Lowe's & Keep America Beautiful in Cate Square Park

The Back to School Bash supplies for Children will be held on Friday, July 27, 2018 @ Hammond Westside. There will be information about schools and assistance for students. The Mayor thanked everyone involved and encourages everyone to come out.

Louise Bostic: 112 Elm Drive, Hammond, LA. – stated Playground equipment in parts of the City are garish. Ms. Bostic asked if there is a Committee to look at new playground equipment.

Charles Borchers: This is early in the process of the design and he will be talking & getting input on design that will be attractive to users & areas in the park.

3. Recognition of New Businesses: NONE

VI. Minutes of July 10, 2018: After review there was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to approve the minutes of July 10, 2018.

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

VII. RESOLUTIONS

A. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. A resolution to approve Samurai located at 113 Morris Rd., Hammond, La. to obtain a permit to sell High/Low alcohol on premise. The owner is Samurai Ramen, LLC. Jinnie Wilson informed the Council that the correct address is 113 E. Morris Avenue; the building is the old Your Moms. They have met all qualification this will be a Japanese Noodle Restaurant,

Owner: Tanita Chow-113 E. Morris Ave. stated the restaurant will open on Friday, July 27, 2018.

There was motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to approve Samurai located at 113 East Morris Avenue Hammond, La. to obtain a permit to sell High/Low alcohol on premise. The owner is Samurai Ramen, LLC.

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

2. A resolution to ratify and award bids received on July 20, 2018 for “Lift Station & Force Main Improvements [FY2018]”, Project# 616-11802. Webb Anderson, presented this information to the Council informing them that this is for Lift Station #8 Phoenix Square & Upgrade to Villa West Lift station #13. The bid came in budget to Mitchell Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$417,750.00.

There was motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilman Mike Williams to ratify and award bids received on July 20, 2018 for “Lift Station & Force Main Improvements [FY2018]”, Project# 616-11802.

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

3. A resolution (1) accepting a \$4,420 Healthy Communities Grant from Keep Louisiana Beautiful to be applied toward the purchase of a rotary graffiti and stain remover; (2) approving a cash match up to \$5,000 to come from the Streets Department; and (3) authorizing the Mayor or his designee to complete and sign grant documents. Charles W. Borchers IV, informed the Council and stated that the grant department is still awaiting the contract and rather delay the purchase process he is asking the Council to approve acceptance of the grant. The \$5,000 match will come from the streets department if needed.

Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard asked about the cleanup of the skate park when other things are painted or written.

There was motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard 1) accepting a \$4,420 Healthy Communities Grant from Keep Louisiana Beautiful to be applied toward the purchase of a rotary graffiti and stain remover; (2) approving a cash match up to \$5,000 to come from the Streets Department; and (3) authorizing the Mayor or his designee to complete and sign grant documents.

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

4. A resolution (1) supporting the submission of a \$150,000 NEA Our Town grant application to install public art in the 3 roundabouts along Southwest Railroad Avenue (US 51 Business) at I-12 and Club Deluxe Road; and (2) supporting a cash match of up to \$150,000. Charles W. Borchers IV, informed the Council that this has been applied for in the past the difference is the landscaping work is completed. The grant department will resend in what has been completed by the City over the past years. The money will come out of FY2020 and funds are available if needed now.

Councilman Mike Williams asked what type of Artwork will be placed

Charles Borchers: Sculpture elements in each of the roundabouts

There was motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilman Mike Williams 1) supporting the submission of a \$150,000 NEA Our Town grant application to install public art in the 3 roundabouts along Southwest Railroad Avenue (US 51 Business) at I-12 and Club Deluxe Road; and (2) supporting a cash match of up to \$150,000.

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

5. A resolution to authorize the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants to serve alcohol during the event Hot August Night, held on Friday, August 24th, 2018 from 6:00pm to 10:30 pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Charles St., N. and S. Cherry St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Pine St. Chelsea Tallo, 2 West Thomas Street Hammond La., Director of DDD, presented this item and informed the Council that everything is staying the same but, the only thing that will be added is performances by local musicians .

There was motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilman Mike Williams to authorize the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants to serve alcohol during the event Hot August Night, held on Friday, August 24th, 2018 from 6:00pm to 10:30 pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Charles St., N. and S. Cherry St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Pine St.

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

6. A resolution to grant a Waiver of the City of Hammond's Open Container Law to the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants during the event Hot August Night, held on Friday, August 24th, 2018 from 6:00pm to 10:30pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Charles St., N. and S. Cherry St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Pine St. Chelsea Tallo requesting waiver of the Open Container Law for Hot August Night.

There was motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to grant a Waiver of the City of Hammond's Open Container Law to the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants during the event Hot August Night, held on Friday, August 24th, 2018 from 6:00pm to 10:30pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Charles St., N. and S. Cherry St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Pine St.

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

7. A resolution to reappoint David Danel to the Hammond Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board for a three-year term from July 29, 2018 - July 29, 2021. Mayor Pete Panepinto, stated that David Danel has served for many years on the Civil Service board and he requests his appointment for another term.

There was motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Mike Williams to reappoint David Danel to the Hammond Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board for a three-year term from July 29, 2018 - July 29, 2021.

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

8. A resolution to approve "Budget Change Form 19-02" transferring \$ 133,000 from Unencumbered/Closed-out Capital Improvements Projects to Park Restroom Additions (Project 11808) with a revised project budget of \$ 329,000. Lacy Landrum, stated bids were received were over budget but there are available funds for the restrooms.

Councilman Lemar Marshall asked about the balance on unencumbered funds

Lacy Landrum: if these funds are transferred there will be about \$25,000 left

Pierre Theriot: 208 North Cate Street, Hammond LA. (Architect)- Flood elevations were established & insurance required to build up the restroom this is what caused the overage.

Councilman Jason Hood: is flood insurance required?

Cyril Gainnie: ordinance requires the buildings to be built according to FEMA standards, not the insurance. FEMA rules require it since we have the ordinance.

Lacy Landrum: it involves the entire Flood Program

Councilman Jason Hood: Should we wait until new flood elevation are received

Tracie Schillace: We need to follow existing flood elevations for the City to stay in the FEMA Program and it could take years to get new elevations.

There was motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to approve "Budget Change Form 19-02" transferring \$ 133,000 from Unencumbered/Closed-out Capital Improvements Projects to Park Restroom Additions (Project 11808) with a revised project budget of \$329,000.

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

9. A resolution to ratify and award bids received on July 20, 2018 for "Hammond Park Restrooms," Project 420-11808. Holly & Smith Architects, stated there were (2) low bids but, the low bid was Phoenix Construction, LLC with a base bid of \$141,000 and (Alternate No.) \$72,500 and (Alternate No. 2) \$72,500.

There was motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to ratify and award bids received on July 20, 2018 for "Hammond Park Restrooms," Project 420-11808.

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

VIII. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:

1. Final adoption of an Ordinance for Final Subdivision Approval of Providence Ridge Subdivision, Acceptance of Letter of Credit/2Year Maintenance Bond for all infrastructure, and Acceptance of 1 year Performance Bond for sidewalks in accordance with Final Plat by John G. Cummings dated 12/12/2017 and As Built by Clay Barrilleaux dated 4/24/2018; Zoned RS-3 recommended approval by Planning Commission.

There was motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to adopt an ordinance for Final Subdivision Approval of Providence Ridge Subdivision, Acceptance of Letter of Credit/2Year Maintenance Bond for all infrastructure, and Acceptance of 1 year Performance Bond for sidewalks in accordance with Final Plat by John G. Cummings dated 12/12/2017 and As Built by Clay Barrilleaux dated 4/24/2018; Zoned RS-3 recommended approval by Planning Commission.

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

IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Readoption of an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) of Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, of the City of Hammond, State of Louisiana; prescribing the form, fixing the parameters thereof and providing for the rights of the owners thereof; providing for the payment of such bonds and the application of the proceeds thereof; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. Vetoed by Mayor Panepinto

There was motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to not re-adopt an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) of Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, of the City of Hammond, State of Louisiana; prescribing the form, fixing the parameters thereof and providing for the rights of the owners thereof; providing for the payment of such bonds and the application of the proceeds thereof; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Vote: Lemar Marshall (Y), Jason Hood (Y), Johnny Blount (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y). Motion Approved 5-0- the ordinance is not re-adopted.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Introduction of an ordinance to authorized the Mayor to enter into a purchase agreement, act of sale and related documents with Anthon Investments, LLC for the purchase of 107 North Cherry Street for the price of \$225,000. Lacy Landrum, presented this item and stated this project was approved in the budget for this fiscal year and she is seeking Council permission to introduce the Ordinance. The plans is to expand parking but, only to purchase building this fiscal meeting.

There was motion by Councilman Mike Williams and second by Councilman Jason Hood to introduce an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to enter into a purchase agreement, act of sale and related documents with Anthon Investments, LLC for the purchase of 107 North Cherry Street for the price of \$225,000.

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

Public Hearing set for August 14, 2018

X. ADJOURN: There was a motion by Councilman Johnny Blount and second by Councilman Jason Hood 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 **July 24, 2018** BEING **6 PAGES** IN LENGTH

**TONIA BANKS
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK**

**PRESIDENT JOHNNY BLOUNT
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL**