

**For the Meeting of Mayor and Council
City of Zachary, LA
Council Chambers, 4700 Main Street
Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 6:30 P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Amrhein called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., on Tuesday April 13, 2021 at the Zachary City Hall located at 4700 Main Street, Zachary, LA

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation by Councilman Montgomery
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Landry

C. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. ROLL CALL

MAYOR
David Amrhein
COUNCIL MEMBERS
Francis Nezianya – District 1
John LeBlanc– District 2
Laura O’Brien – District 3
Hunter Landry – District 4
Lael Montgomery – District 5

Councilwoman O’Brien entered the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

2. READING OF CITY POLICY RELATIVE TO OPEN MEETINGS

Before proceeding with the meeting, Mayor Amrhein read a statement into the record regarding the Open Meetings Law, and citizens’ right to participate in public meetings. The statement set forth general rules of conduct of the public meeting and outlined the process through which a citizen can have items placed on the Council agenda. A copy of the rules is available at City Hall, Mayor’s Office or by calling the Clerk of the City Council. The rules will also be available at every Council meeting. Electronic voting was implemented in this meeting.

3. CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

D. READING OF THE MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes of the March 23, 2021 regular meeting and approve them as written.

To approve Minutes of the March 23, 2021 regular meeting and approve them as written by a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: O'Brien
ABSTAINED: None

E. HONORS, RECOGNITIONS, AND INTRODUCTIONS

1. Andre' Harris certificate of appreciation for outstanding public service

The Mayor and Zachary City Council Members recognized Zachary resident, Andre' Harris at the Zachary Council Meeting for coming to the aid of a fellow citizen who was being attacked by a pack of five dogs. Council Member Francis Nezianya called Mr. Harris a hero and thanked him for being a Good Samaritan. Mr. Harris is pictured with his immediate family members and Members of the Zachary Council and Mayor David Amrhein.

F. CONTRACT ITEMS/CONTRACTS OR ITEMS RELATING TO PROJECTS

1. **Street/Road Projects**
2. **Sewer**
3. **Subdivision Inspections**
4. **Water and Gas Projects**

- a. Project 11352-Contract 2 Change Order No 1

The Project 11352-Contract 2 Change Order No 1 in the amount of \$79,946.94 was approved by a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

- b. Project 11352-Contract 2 Pay Request No 5

The Project 11352-Contract 2 Pay Request No 5 in the amount of \$236,616.50 was approved by a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

- c. Project 11352-Contract 2 Substantial Completion Certificate

The Project 11352-Contract 2 Substantial Completion Certificate was approved by a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

5. Other Projects

G. PRESENTATION OF DELEGATIONS

1. Requests to Speak

Fire Chief Danny Kimble announced that the new fire station 83 operating. Chief Kimble thanked Mayor Amrhein and the council members for their support.

2. Hardship Waivers

3. Other Variances

4. Exceptions to Regulations

H. ACTION MANDATED BY HOME RULE CHARTER

I. PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS

1. Receive Minutes of the Regular meeting of _____ of the Planning Commission and the Minutes of the Regular meeting of _____ of the Zoning Commission.

2. Planning Matters REQUIRING a Public Hearing

3. Planning Matters NOT requiring a Public Meeting

4. Zoning Matters REQUIRING a Public Hearing

5. Zoning Matters NOT Requiring Public Hearing

6. Other Matters

J. APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

1. Approval of accounts payable for March 2021 and the natural gas bill when it is received.

Accounts payable for March 2021 and the natural gas bill when it is received was approved by a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

K. BUDGET AND FINANCIAL MATTER

L. OLD BUSINESS PENDING FOR FINAL ACTION

1. **Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance 2021-02** ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ZACHARY TO AMEND ARTICLE 2 - DISTRICT INTENSITY AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE CITY OF ZACHARY RELATED TO RESIDENTIAL LOT, YARD, AND HEIGHT STANDARDS BY AMENDING TABLES 2.201, 2.301A AND 2.301B AND FURTHER TO AMEND ARTICLE 6 – SUBDIVISION DESIGN AND LAND DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE CITY OF ZACHARY RELATED TO DESIGNATED OPEN SPACES DESIGN STANDARDS DURING DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN BY AMENDING § 6.406 AND FOR ALL RELATED MATTERS IN FURTHERANCE (John Hopewell) (Tabled until further notice)

2. **Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance 2021-05** Authorizing the implementation of amendments to the standard specifications pursuant to §2-13 of the Home Rule Charter for the City of Zachary pertaining to Codes of Technical Regulations by replacement of the most recently Revised Subdivision Development Construction Standards Code related to construction design and materials covering the general design, storm water drainage, roadways, potable water & natural gas and sanitary sewer standards and for other matters in furtherance of this provision (John Hopewell) (Tabled at the March 23, 2021 meeting)

M. OLD BUSINESS PENDING

N. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of the 2021-2022 Millage Rate (Deanna Mankins)

Mr. Hopewell spoke to the council members regarding the millage rate for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Council members were asked to email Mr. Hopewell in response to rolling forward or with any questions or concerns on how to proceed.

2. **Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance 2021-06** Ordinance pertaining to the declaration of intent by the City of Zachary to have certain movable property declared to be surplus and allowing for the disposal or abandonment in place

Mayor Amrhein declared a PUBLIC HEARING to be in session at 6:53 p.m. There being no one to speak in favor or against the adoption Mayor Amrhein declared the PUBLIC HEARING to be closed at 6:53 p.m.

The **Adoption of Ordinance 2021-06** Ordinance pertaining to the declaration of intent by the City of Zachary to have certain movable property declared to be surplus and allowing for the disposal or abandonment in place was approved by a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

O. CONDEMNED BUILDINGS - PUBLIC HEARINGS OR OTHER ACTION REGARDING BUILDINGS BEING CONSIDERED FOR CONDEMNATION

1. Review/Reports relative to Proposed/Active Condemnations NOT REQUIRING a public hearing.

- a. Demolition of subject improvements and structures at 4420 New Weis

Mr. John Perkins purchased the property listed at 4420 New Weis Road. The council approved to leave the property on the condemnation list and to not demolish the home. Mr. Masterson, City Building Official, will give an update at the July 13, 2021 council meeting. The item was approved by a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

- b. Request of the Mayor to officially remove 5935 Ave L (Lots 157 & 158 Kennedy) from the condemnations list.

To approve to officially remove 5935 Ave L (Lots 157 & 158 Kennedy) from the condemnations list with a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

2. Review/Reports relative to Proposed/Active Condemnations REQUIRING a public hearing.

- a. Rule to show cause why subject improvements and structures at 4795 Ave G. should not be torn down.

Mayor Amrhein declared a PUBLIC HEARING to be in session at 7:03 p.m. Ronald Jackson was present to speak for the item. Mr. Jackson said the property would be

cleaned up within 30 days with weather permitting. There being no one else to speak Mayor Amrhein declared the PUBLIC HEARING to be closed at 7:07 p.m.

To approve to extend the update of progress for 60 days or until the meeting set for June 22, 2021.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

- b. Rule to show cause why subject improvements and structures at 4643 Ave D. should not be torn down.

Mayor Amrhein declared a PUBLIC HEARING to be in session at 7:07 p.m. There being no one to speak in favor or against the property being declared a public safety issue Mayor Amrhein declared the PUBLIC HEARING to be closed at 7:17 p.m.

To approve to declare the property located at 4643 Ave D a public safety issue with a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

- c. Rule to show cause why subject improvements and structures at 4767 Ave G. should not be torn down.

Mayor Amrhein declared a PUBLIC HEARING to be in session at 7:19 p.m. There being no one to speak in favor or against the property Mayor Amrhein declared the PUBLIC HEARING to be closed at 7:20 p.m.

To approve to extend the update of progress until the April 27, 2021 meeting with a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

P. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

1. Inspection Report for the fiscal year to date as of March 2021

To receive the Inspection Report for the fiscal year to date as of March 2021 with a vote as follows.

YEAS: Nezianya, LeBlanc, O'Brien, Landry, Montgomery
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

**Q. DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS NOT ON AGENDA
(No Action May Be Taken Unless Declared an Emergency)**

Councilman Montgomery spoke to Mayor Amrhein and council members regarding a parade given for Zachary High School Athletes. There was discussion regarding the liability of the city to host parades and if the school system would be interested in hosting the parade.

R. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

Dana LeJeune, Clerk of City Council
CITY OF ZACHARY
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE
STATE OF LOUISIANA

David Amrhein, Mayor

I, Dana LeJeune, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed and acting Clerk of the City Council for the City of Zachary, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

I further certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Zachary, Louisiana, held on Thursday, April 13, 2021 a proper quorum being there and then present.

Dana LeJeune, Clerk of the City Council