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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Monroe, Louisiana will meet in Legal and Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the Council Chamber, City Hall Building, Monroe, Louisiana, Tuesday, August 8, 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m., for the following purpose:

1. To consider and act on all items listed on the attached agenda.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Council reserves the right to change, add to or delete, any item listed on the attached agenda.

All interested persons are urged to attend these meetings.

Carolus S. Riley, CMC/MMC
Council Clerk

Please be advised that the City Council will embrace public participation to the maximum extent while still adhering to the occupancy limitation, social distancing guidance and the Open Meetings Law.

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AGENDA
City of Monroe

LEGAL & REGULAR SESSION – AUGUST 8, 2023, 6:00PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL

I: ROLL CALL AND DECLARE QUORUM:

II: INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MS. WOODS:

III: COMMUNICATIONS & SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Mr. Harvey
2. Mrs. Ezernack
3. Ms. Woods
4. Mr. Marshall
5. Mrs. Dawson
6. Mayor Ellis

IV: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LEGAL AND REGULAR SESSION OF JULY 25, 2023:
(PUBLIC COMMENTS)

V: PRESENTATION:
NONE.

VI: PUBLIC HEARINGS:
NONE.

PROPOSED CONDEMNATIONS:

(Public Comment)

1. 3509 Jackson Street (D5) (Owners – Margarett Sumlin, Cobey Robison)
2. 3403 Dick Taylor Street (D4) (Owner – Killkunya K Galbert)
3. 3802 Phippen Street (D3) (Owners – 1st Lady Properties, LLC, Lois Cooper c/o Frances Harrison)

VII: ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF BIDS:
(Public Comment)
None.

VIII: RESOLUTIONS AND MINUTE ENTRIES:

1. Council:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution granting an exception to the Open Container Ordinance to Angus Chemical Company for the Annual Angus United Way Golf Tournament pursuant to Monroe City Code Sec. 12-231 D (Open Container Ordinance), and further providing with respect thereto.

2. Department of Administration:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution Ordering and Calling a Special Election to be held in the City of Monroe, State of Louisiana, to authorize the Renewal, Continuation, Levy and Collection of Special Taxes therein; making application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

(b) Consider an Application by Markus Bosley dba True Releaf Lounge & Patio, 609 N. 4th Street, Monroe LA 71201 for a New 2023 Class A Alcoholic Beverage Permit. The Monroe Police Department has no disqualifying records and Sales Tax has been approved. (Distance Report Cleared, Cert. of Occupy Cleared)

3. Department of Planning & Urban Development:

Public Comment:

None.

4. Legal Department:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution stating the City of Monroe's approval of the transfer of Restoration Tax Abatement Contract #20170016-RTA from Monroe Development LLC to Vantage Health Plan, Inc.

(b) Adopt a Resolution stating the City of Monroe's endorsement of Vantage Health Plan, Inc. (formerly Monroe Development LLC) and their project #20170016-rta to continue their participation in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement Program.

5. Mayor's Office:

Public Comment:

None.

6. Department of Public Works:

Public Comment:

(a) Consider request from the Airport Division for approval from the Council for an authorized City representative to advertise for bids for the purchase of an ARFF Truck. The estimated cost of the truck is \$1,000,000.00. The source of funds is FAA Funds.

7. Department of Community Affairs:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution approving and authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Monroe and Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and further providing with respect thereto.

8. Police Department:

Public Comment:

None.

9. Fire Department:

Public Comment:

None.

10. Engineering Services:

Public Comment:

None.

BREAK IF NEEDED:

IX: INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Public Comment:

(a) Introduce an Ordinance amending Ordinance Nos. 12,103 and 12,136 to correct the annexed boundaries of Love's Travel Stop, providing for the recordation of the entire boundary as amended, establishing the effective date thereof, and providing further with respect thereto. (PUD/P&Z)

(b) Introduce an Ordinance authorizing an Equipment Lease Agreement with Wells Fargo Financial Leasing, Inc. for mowing equipment for Chennault Golf Course and further providing with respect thereto. (Comm. Affairs.)

X: RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND FINAL ADOPTION AND SUBJECT TO PUBLIC HEARING:

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Friday Ellis to sign and accept the 2023 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and further providing with respect thereto. (Police Dept.)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(b) Finally adopt an Ordinance to amend the Zoning Map for the City of Monroe, Louisiana and providing further with respect thereto – Applicant – City of Monroe/Transit (P&Z)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(c) Finally adopt an Ordinance authorizing a designated city representative to execute an Amended and Restated Lease Agreement between the City of Monroe and Ouachita Grand Plaza, Inc. and further providing with respect thereto. (Legal)

XI: CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

XII: ADJOURN.