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**May 20, 2021  
posted @ 8am**

### 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, May 25, 2021 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 and social distancing guidance per executive order by the Governor and the Attorney General's Memo concerning the Open Meetings Law.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact City Council Office at (318) 329-2252 describing the assistance that is necessary.

AGENDA  
City of Monroe

LEGAL & REGULAR SESSION – MAY 25, 2021, 6:00PM  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL

I: ROLL CALL AND DECLARE QUORUM:

II: INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MR. MARSHALL:

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 MAY 11, 2021:  
(Public Comment)

V: PRESENTATION: 6pm

Karen Cupit, Louisiana Watershed Initiative  
Region 3 Watershed Coordinator

VI: PUBLIC HEARINGS:  
NONE.

PROPOSED CONDEMNATIONS:

Public Comment:

1. 4009 Elm Street (D3) (Curatorships - Johnnie Gospel, Sharalyn Nicole Gospel; non-curator – OPPJ, Brown & Son Realty, LLC)
2. 216 Moore Avenue (D4) (Curatorships - Danny Lenard, Tommy Lenard; non-curator - OPPJ)
3. 1715 Grammont (D3) (Curatorships - JD Peevy Lodge #227 Prinehall Affiliated Southern Jurisdiction; JD Peevy Lodge #227)
4. 1309 Olive (D2) (Curatorships - Daaiyah Wooten, Evangeline Carter Lewis, Angela Carter Ziegler; non-curator Louis Mattox, et al, OPPJ)

VII: ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF BIDS:

(Public Comment)

None.

VIII: RESOLUTIONS AND MINUTE ENTRIES:

1. Council:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution approving the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ to the board for the Southside Economic Development District (SEDD) and further providing with respect thereto. (Chamber)

2. Department of Administration:

Public Comment:

None.

3. Department of Planning & Urban Development:

Public Comment:

None.

4. Legal Department:

Public Comment:

None.

5. Mayor's Office:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution approving and authorizing an agreement for local services by and between the City of Monroe and the Monroe Chamber of Commerce and further providing with respect thereto.

6. Department of Public Works:

Public Comment:

None.

7. Department of Community Affairs:

Public Comment:

None.

8. Police Department:

Public Comment:

None.

9. Fire Department:  
Public Comment:  
None.

10. Engineering Services:  
Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution accepting the base bid of W.L. Bass Construction, Inc., in the amount \$73,950.00, for the Park Avenue at Entergy Substation Drainage Project, and further authorizing an authorized city representative, to enter into and execute a contract for said work.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing an authorized city representative to advertise for bids on the Forsythe Boat Ramp and Parking Lot Improvements Project. The estimated cost of this project is \$406,388.95. The DBE Goal is 8.52% and source of funds Capital Infrastructure Sales Tax Revenue Funds.

(c) Adopt a Resolution authorizing an authorized city representative, to enter into and execute a Professional Services Agreement with Arcadis U.S., Inc., to provide engineering and other professional services for the Texas Standifer Gravity Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project and further providing with respect thereto.

(d) Adopt a Resolution authorizing an authorized city representative, to enter into and execute a Contract with Huval, to provide Professional Services for bridge inspections and further providing with respect thereto.

BREAK IF NEEDED:

IX: INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Public Comment:

(a) Introduce an Ordinance authorizing issuance, sale and delivery of Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021, of the City of Monroe, State of Louisiana, all in the manner provided for by Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (Admin.)

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

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(a) Finally Adopt an Ordinance adopting the Authorized Millage Rate(s) and providing for the Levying of Special and General Taxes for the City of Monroe for the year 2021. (Admin.)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(b) Finally Adopt an Ordinance amending Chapter 10.5 Section 23 of the Monroe City Code Entitled “Electronic Video Bingo Machines” and further providing with respect thereto. (Woods)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(c) Finally Adopt an Ordinance authorizing the City of Monroe to take corporeal possession of the property described below and sell to Charles Wilson, Jr. all rights, title, and interest that the City may have acquired to the Lot 4, Square 3, Edwards Addition, Ouachita Parish, 2806 Coolidge St., District 3, Monroe, La, by Adjudication at Tax Sale dated July 1, 2011, and further with respect thereto. (Legal)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(d) Finally Adopt an Ordinance authorizing the City of Monroe to take corporeal possession of the property described below and sell to Shirley Dunn all rights, title, and interest that the City may have acquired to the Lot 14, Square 95, D. A. Breard Sr.’s Addition, Ouachita Parish, 1515 Breard St., District 3, Monroe, La, by Adjudication at Tax Sale dated August 1, 2014, and further with respect thereto. (Legal)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(e) Finally Adopting an Ordinance adopting and amending the Zoning Map for the City of Monroe, Louisiana to rezone a ±9-acre tract of land located in Ouachita Parish from B-3, General Business/Commercial to B-1, Neighborhood Mixed Use District in order for the applicant to be able to develop the area with residential lots and a commercial strip - **301 Plum Street (All of Square 27 and Square 28 of Ouachita Mills Second Addition) – APPLICANT: Cedrick Hemphill - (P&Z)**

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(f) Finally Adopt an Ordinance contracting the boundaries of the City of Monroe, Louisiana, providing for the recordation of the entire boundary as amended: establishing the effective date thereof, and providing further with respect thereto – Applicant – City of Monroe. (P&Z)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(g) Finally Adopt an Ordinance authorizing the City of Monroe to acquire full ownership interest of the property described as Lot 12, Sq. 4 Maupins Locks & Dams Addn, and south 45 ft on Nichols St., bearing municipal address 3514 Lee Ave., Monroe, La, by Adjudication at Tax Sale dated June 24, 2015, and further with respect thereto. (Legal)

XI: CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:  
XII: ADJOURN.