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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, December 28, 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.

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AGENDA
City of Monroe

LEGAL & REGULAR SESSION – DECEMBER 28, 2021, 6:00PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL

I: ROLL CALL AND DECLARE QUORUM:

II: INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MAYOR ELLIS:

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 DECEMBER 14, 2021:
(Public Comment)

V: PRESENTATION:
NONE.

VI: PUBLIC HEARINGS:
NONE.

PROPOSED CONDEMNATIONS:

Public Comment:

1. 3709 Phippen Street (D3) (Owners - McKinley Smith c/o Ronnie L Smith, McKinley Smith)
2. 1203 South 8th Street (D4) (Owners - Roy Sykes (Curatorship) - Pearlie Irby (Non-Curator))
3. 107 Jack McEnery (D4)(Owner - Dorothy Ann Brown,
4. 809 South 27th Street (D3) (Owner - Marcus Stevens c/o Herbert Walk, Jr.)

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 the Twin Cities Krewe of Janus (Mardi Gras Parade) pursuant to Monroe City Code Sec. 12-231 D. (Open Container Ordinance), and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution granting an exception to the Open Container Ordinance to the Twin City Art Foundation (Exhibition Reception and Talk for Theo Tobiasse: Textural Emergence) pursuant to Monroe City Code Sec. 12-231 D. (Open Container Ordinance), and further providing with respect thereto.

(c) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a city representative to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with University of Louisiana at Monroe, Ochsner LSU Health Monroe, Louisiana Delta Community College, and Chris Gallow to establish a Community Garden and further providing with respect thereto. (woods)

2. Department of Administration:

Public Comment:

(a) Consider Application by Taco Bandido, LLC dba Taco Bandido, 2127 Forsythe Ave., Monroe, LA 71201 for a New 2021 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.

(b) Consider eleven (11) Renewal Applications for a New 2022 Class A Alcoholic Beverage Permit. The Monroe Police Department has no disqualifying records and Sales Tax has been approved.

(c) Consider nine (9) Renewal Applications for a New 2022 Class B Alcoholic Beverage Permit. The Monroe Police Department has no disqualifying records and Sales Tax has been approved.

(d) Consider two (2) Renewal Applications for a New 2022 Class C Alcoholic Beverage Permit. The Monroe Police Department has no disqualifying records and Sales Tax has been approved.

(e) Consider one (1) Renewal Applications for a New 2022 Class G Alcoholic Beverage Permit. The Monroe Police Department has no disqualifying records and Sales Tax has been approved.

(f) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the renewal of the Cookout's Class A Alcohol License as outlined below and further providing with respect thereto.

(g) Adopt a Resolution authorizing an authorized city representative to re-advertise for bids on Central Warehouse Limited Improvements Project. The estimated cost of this project is \$150,000.00. The DBE Goal is 15% and source of funds is Capital Account.

3. Department of Planning & Urban Development:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Friday Ellis, Mayor, to the City of Monroe to reject all bids received on December 21, 2021, to rehabilitate 1606 Fairview Avenue from the (HOME) Home Investment Partnership Program M-20-MC-22-0206 and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution requesting to advertise for bids for the Housing Rehabilitation or Reconstruction Project located at 1606 Fairview Avenue from the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and further providing with respect thereto.

4. Legal Department:

Public Comment:

None.

5. Mayor's Office:

Public Comment:

None.

6. Department of Public Works:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to enter into a Service Agreement with Ouachita Electrical Contractor LLC for the Public Works Department on an as needed basis and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a city representative to execute Change Order Number 2, (MLU Drainage Improvements Project) between the City of Monroe and Merrick, LLC., for an additional 56 calendar days to the contract and further providing with respect thereto.

(c) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to enter into a Service Agreement with Ouachita Electrical Contractor LLC for the Monroe Regional Airport and further providing with respect thereto.

(d) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City of Monroe to advertise for bids to replace the parking, access, and revenue control system/equipment and further providing with respect thereto.

7. Department of Community Affairs:

Public Comment:

(a) adopt a Resolution authorizing the renaming of Bendel Stadium located in Forsythe Park to Bendel-Neal Stadium in honor of Jackie Donald Neal, and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Monroe and James “Jimmy” Street for Elvis Impersonator Dean Z to perform at the Monroe Civic Center Theater and further providing with respect thereto.

8. Police Department:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to accept and execute an agreement with the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement to accept funding in the amount of \$44,803.00 for the DARE Program and further providing with respect thereto.

9. Fire Department:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Friday Ellis, Mayor, to apply for and accept an Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency on behalf of the Monroe Fire Department for funding to purchase firefighter personal protective gear extractors and dryers and further providing with respect thereto.

10. Engineering Services:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution accepting the base bid of W.L. Bass Construction Inc. in the amount \$785,777.00, for the Pedestrian Bridge at Renwick Improvements Project, and further authorizing an authorized city representative, to enter into and execute a contract for said work.

(b) Adopt a Resolution accepting as substantially complete work done by and between the City of Monroe and W.L. Bass Construction, Inc. for the Entergy Substation Cross Drain, and further providing with respect thereto.

BREAK IF NEEDED:

IX: INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Public Comment:

(a) Introduce an Ordinance declaring certain immovable property in the Monroe Air Industrial Park as not being needed for public use and authorizing the same to be sold at private sale to the Chennault Aviation & Military Museum pursuant to revised statute 33:4712, and further providing with respect thereto. (Legal)

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 authorizing the City of Monroe to take Corporeal Possession of the property described below and sell to Joseph and Mignon Burks all rights, title, and interest that the City may have acquired to the Lot 19, Square 18, Unit 4, Booker T. Washington Addition, Ouachita Parish, 3709 Gayton St., Monroe, La, by Adjudication at Tax Sale dated July 30, 2000, and further with respect thereto. (Legal)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(b) **Rescind** finally adopt an Ordinance Dedication for a street name change from **Century Village Boulevard** to **Victory Park Boulevard**, being an 85' wide by 1,150' long, more or less, street right-of-way, located north of Venable Lane, south of Allgood Street and west of U.S. Hwy 165 north and further providing with respect thereto – Applicant: Century Village Partners, LLC (PUD/P&Z)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(c) Finally adopt an Ordinance Dedication for a street name change from **Century Village Boulevard** to **Victory Boulevard**, being an 85' wide by 1,150' long, more or less, street right-of-way, located north of Venable Lane, south of Allgood Street and west of U.S. Hwy 165 north and further providing with respect thereto – Applicant: Century Village Partners, LLC (PUD/P&Z)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(d) Finally Adopt an Ordinance adopting and amending the Zoning Map for the City of Monroe, Louisiana to rezone a ±0.33-acre tract of land, from the R-1 (Single Family Residence) District to R-4, (High Density Multi-Family Residence) District, in order for the applicant to be able to develop a 4-plex housing unit, at 1809 Hickory Street – **1809 Hickory Street (Lot 4 of the Resub. of Lot 2, Square F, Southside Commercial Subdivision Unit #2 (0.33-more or less))** – Applicant: Jerin Rountree (PUD/P&Z)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(e) Finally Adopt an Ordinance amending Chapter 12 Section 230 of the Monroe City Code Entitled Criminal Code and further providing with respect thereto. (Woods/Mayor Ellis)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(f) Finally Adopt an Ordinance authorizing Mayor Friday Ellis to enter into and execute Lease by and between the City of Monroe and the United Staes of America a/k/a General Services Administration, and further providing wit respect thereto. (Legal)

XI: CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

XII: ADJOURN.