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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, May 11, 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 11, 2021, 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 APRIL 27, 2021:
(Public Comment)

V: PRESENTATION:
NONE.

VI: PUBLIC HEARINGS:
NONE.

PROPOSED CONDEMNATIONS:

Public Comment:

1. 408 North 25th Street (D2) (Evelyn Burrell c/o the estate of Evelyn Burrell, Lavargne Gunn)(Non-curator - OPPJ)
2. 404 Hippolyte Avenue (D4) (E. L. Hilton, Herbert B & Alma Ethel Trim)

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 Chennault Golf Course (Mayor's Cup-Charity Golf Tournament) 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 for Letitia Huckaby: Parish) pursuant to Monroe City Code Sec. 12-231 D (Open Container Ordinance), and further providing with respect thereto.

(c) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Proworks Productions, LLC to provide Video and Television Professional Services for the Monroe City Council, and further providing with respect thereto. (Harvey)

2. Department of Administration:

Public Comment:

None.

3. Department of Planning & Urban Development:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Friday Ellis, Mayor, permission to substantial amend the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan & FY 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan to expend round 3 of CDBG Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to address health and safety concerns related to COVID 19 activities in the amount of \$383,763.00 from the CDBG CARES Act Funding, and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Consider request from Shanedra Carter for a Major Conditional Use Permit for Victory Truth Temple that authorizes the use of the location (304 Texas) to operate as a House of Worship. The Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance allows a House of Worship as a Major Conditional Use in the B-3, General Business/Commercial District. Major Conditional Uses are those uses that require another level of approval; therefore, this request comes before the City Council for their approval in addition to that of the Planning Commission.

4. Legal Department:

Public Comment:

None.

5. Mayor's Office:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution approving the appointment of Chap Breard to the Monroe Capital Infrastructure Commission and further providing with respect thereto.

6. Department of Public Works:

Public Comment:

None.

7. Department of Community Affairs:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to execute Change Order Number 2 (Masur Museum of Art Storm Damage Repairs) between the City of Monroe and Grindstone Construction LLC for a \$2,900 increase in the contract amount and further providing with respect thereto.

8. Police Department:

Public Comment:

None.

9. Fire Department:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Stacey Rowell, Director of Administration on behalf of the Monroe Fire Department to execute an Act of Substantial Completion to the Breard/Betin St. Fire Station #5 Contract.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Stacey Rowell, Director of Administration on behalf of the Monroe Fire Department to execute Change Order No. Four (4) to the Breard/Betin St. Fire Station #5 Contract.

10. Engineering Services:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution accepting as substantially complete work done by and between the City of Monroe and Womack & Construction Group, Inc., for the H.013937 Kansas Lane Extension Clearing & Grubbing Project, and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing an authorized city representative, to execute Change Order No. Three (3) to the Water Distribution System Improvements Contract, between the City of Monroe and Jabar Corporation, for an increase in the contract time of 32 days and further providing with respect thereto.

(c) Adopt a Resolution authorizing an authorized city representative, to execute Change Order No. Two (2) to the repairs to Bayou Bartholomew Pump & Motor No. 1 Contract, between the City of Monroe and Womack & Sons Construction Group, Inc., for an increase in the contact amount of \$1,982.95 and an increase in the contract time of 67 days and further providing with respect thereto.

(d) Adopt a Resolution authorizing an authorized city representative, to enter into and execute a Professional Services Agreement with Quaternary Resource Investigations, LLC (QRI), to provide Surveying Services with GPR of certain structures along the Ouachita River and further providing with respect thereto.

BREAK IF NEEDED:

IX: INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Public Comment:

(a) Introduce 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.)

(b) Introduce 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)

(c) Introduce an Ordinance declaring certain immovable property in Monroe bearing municipal address 908 Rogers St. as no longer being needed for public use and authorizing the same to be sold to Mayland’s Investments, Karen Mayfield and Brittany Mayfield, pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4712, and further providing with respect thereto. (Legal)

(d) Introduce 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)

(e) Introduce 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)

(f) Introduce an Ordinance declaring certain immovable property in Monroe bearing municipal address 910 North 9th St. as no longer being needed for public use and authorizing the same to be sold to Wolf Development LLC, pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4712, and further providing with respect thereto. (Legal)

(g) Introduce an Ordinance adopting and amending the Zoning Map for the City of Monroe, Louisiana and authorizing the Clerk to publish notice of a Public Hearing 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)**

(h) Introduce 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)

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 and amending the Zoning Map for the City of Monroe, Louisiana to zone a ±4.4-acre tract of land located in Ouachita Parish from B-1, Neighborhood Mixed Use District to B-2, Neighbor Business District in order for the applicant to be able to develop the area with uses such as full-service restaurants and multi-family housing..**1203 and 1207 DeSiard Street, 700-716 Adams Street, 709 Adams Street, 1212 Washington Street, and Lots 1-4, Square 40 Filhiols First Addition – APPLICANT: Michael Echols and City of Monroe – (P&Z)**

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(b) Finally Adopt 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 Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4712, and further providing with respect thereto. (Legal)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(c) Finally Adopt an Ordinance authorizing the exchange of property between the City of Monroe and Scott Equipment Sales Company L.L.C. pursuant to La. R. S. 33:4712 and further providing with respect thereto. (Legal)

(d) Finally Adopt an Emergency Ordinance declaring the condition of the Texas to Standifer Sewer Trunk Line at the intersection of Standifer and Gordon an Emergency necessitating demolition, bypass and repair or replacement and other repairs further providing with respect thereto. (Eng. Dept.)

XI: CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

XII: ADJOURN.