



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
February 14, 2018
5:30pm**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Johnny Blount
Public Hearing was called to order by Council President Johnny Blount @ 5:30 pm
- II. ROLL CALL:** Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (P)
- III. PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. An ordinance to regulate filming and to provide for filming permits.

Councilman Hood stated the last movie in downtown Hammond was a hindrance to citizens. Councilman Hood stated he researched information from other municipalities and thought it would be good for the City of Hammond to have a concrete & visible ordinance for the citizens.

Alvin Brumfield: 511 South Orange Street, Hammond- stated that extra restrictions might result in movies not being filmed in the City of Hammond the ordinance might be a deterrent.

Councilman Hood stated he does not think this is a deterrent he intended to make it more concrete. Many times movie companies do not spend money in the City. The movie companies would need to pay individual businesses for use of their property.

Mayor stated it depends on the movie because some do spend money in the City.

Amy Brumfield: 511 South Orange Street, Hammond- Stated she would like to see these funds go toward art initiatives throughout the city.

Nick Olivia: - 117396 Hwy., 190 East: Stated if the City is already receiving money he thinks they don't need a permit.

Councilman Lemar Marshall: Asked does this ordinance replace the current donation process?

Lacy Landrum: Stated this is undecided at the time the ordinance only applies to streets, sidewalks & parking - other items would be an addition to the City.

Nick Gagliano: 10007 W. Thomas St., Ste., J -Hammond, LA.: Stated he has no problem with the ordinance but, this could affect commercials by local marketing companies. He asked that the Council to add an amendment to exclude filming involving less than 5 people.

Louise Bostic: 112 Elm Drive, Hammond La: Complimented Councilman Hood for this effort- this helps the citizens to know the rules.

2. An ordinance to amend Rule V-24 Travel, regarding meal allowance, of the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual for City Employees. **Lacy Landrum**, presented this item – she stated this is a recommendation from the auditors to have a Per Diem for the day. All employees will be reimbursed after the time of travel.

3. An Ordinance providing for issuance and sale of not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (15,000,000) of Revenue Bonds. Councilman Jason Hood, stated that he has been working on this for 2 years in public budget settings and the matter did not get on the agenda at last meeting and amended the agenda to add the item. He stated that the Chambers of Commerce was alerted to this situation and he believes that this was used as a political tool to defeat the proposed ordinance. Councilman Hood stated he was hoping to use the proceeds from the bond to make infrastructure improvements and to better the City to help business. He informed the council that he would like to defer to the administration leadership and asked for this item to be removed from the agenda.

There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Council Lemar Marshall to Remove from the agenda an ordinance providing for issuance and sale of not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (15,000,000,000) of Revenue Bonds. Motion to Remove 5-0

No Public Hearing



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
February 14, 2018**

6:00pm Immediately following Public Hearing.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Council President Johnny Blount

Regular Session was called to order by Council President Johnny Blount @ 5:50 pm.

II. ROLL CALL: Johnny Blount (P), Jason Hood (P), Janice Carter Beard (P), Lemar Marshall (P), Mike Williams (P)

III. PRAYER: Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute.

Mayor Panepinto

V. REPORTS:

1. Council: Councilman Lemar Marshall stated he sent a report on Zemurray Park Advisory Committee meeting to Councilmembers and the Mayor. Councilman Marshall recognized Josh Taylor & Frank Divitorrio, who are members of the committee, for being in attendance. He stated there are a lot of decisions to be made but, the committee will work quickly & carefully. The committee will meet again on February 21, 2018 in City Council Chambers @ 6pm. He commented on the bond issuance matter and stated the Capital Outlay list has a backlog and is underfunded. He asked what is the priority list and how is it created.

2. Mayor: Stated on Capital Outlay the city Engineer stated it can't be done all at one time. Everyone on this year's list will be completed. On the bond issuance, the council wanted a new financial advisor - this put up a red flag and he has been watching the process. The advisor may be someone you don't need for bonding. The budget is tight and the City just paid off a past bond. The Federal Government may be going up on local project match. The City does not need a \$15million bond issuance - the city needs to keep funds on the side for anything that comes up for match for grants. The City advisor told the Mayor the City can finance the bonds for 30 years and not pay interest until 2027 - the Mayor stated this is not good for the City's budget and bonds needs to be issued only as needed.

Councilman Lemar Marshall: Stated the Council was looking for a bond advisor like the Administration has a bond advisor. The council sought an advisor to advise the council to better understand the bonding process.

Mayor: Sales Tax collections for December put the City over budget for the year. On last Friday the After School Program Buffy Coleman former Harlem Globetrotter came to the program to talk to kids about peer pressure and how to walk away.

3. Recognition of New Businesses: NONE

Claude Fowler: 107 West Church Street- Stated there should be a dedicated plan on bond sales to satisfy tax payers. There should be a game plan.

VI. Minutes of January 23, 2018: After review it was motioned by Councilman Mike Williams and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to approve the minutes of January 23, 2018

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

VII. RESOLUTIONS

A. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. A resolution to approve the Hammond BBQ Challenge, Inc. to hold the 2018 It's A Smokin' BBQ Challenge in downtown Hammond on March 23 & 24, 2018, lying within the boundaries of S.W. Railroad Ave., from 100 yards South of Coleman Street to West Thomas Street; East Charles Street to Hanson Street; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S. W. Railroad Avenue. Eric Phares, 46242 Kintally Drive, Stated that this will be the 15th year for the BBQ Challenge. They will have the same charities as last year since last year was rained out. The Charities are TARC, CASA, Hammond Regional Arts Center, Louisiana Discovery Center, Our Daily Bread, Outdoorsmen Helping Others, Pro Start Hammond High, Springfield first start, Richard Murphy Hospice, Tangi Food Pantry, Tangi Humane Society - these are 12 charities that are helped locally.

Brian Shirey: As many of 16-18 states are represented and 60 professional teams come in and it places Hammond on the map and is one of the top tier events.

There was a motion by Councilman Mike Williams and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to approve the Hammond BBQ Challenge, Inc. to hold the 2018 It's A Smokin' BBQ Challenge in downtown Hammond on March 23 & 24, 2018, lying within the boundaries of S.W. Railroad Ave., from 100 yards South of Coleman Street to West Thomas Street; East Charles Street to Hanson Street; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S. W. Railroad Avenue.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

2. A resolution to approve the Hammond BBQ Challenge, Inc. to sell beer and alcoholic beverages specifically "Daiquiris", on the City's property lying within the boundaries of S. W. Railroad Ave., from 100 yards South of Coleman Street to West Thomas Street; East Charles Street to Hanson Street; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S. W. Railroad Avenue for the hours of 3pm to 11pm on Friday, March 23, 2018, and from 10:00am to 11:30pm on Saturday, March 24, 2018. Eric Phares, presented this item requesting the approval to sell alcoholic beverages for the Hammond BBQ Challenge.

There was a motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilman Jason Hood to approve the Hammond BBQ Challenge, Inc. to sell beer and alcoholic beverages specifically "Daiquiris", on the City's property lying within the boundaries of S. W. Railroad Ave., from 100 yards South of Coleman Street to West Thomas Street; East Charles Street to Hanson Street; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S. W. Railroad Avenue for the hours of 3pm to 11pm on Friday, March 23, 2018, and from 10:00am to 11:30pm on Saturday, March 24, 2018.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

3. A resolution to approve the Hammond BBQ Challenge, Inc., to get a waiver of the City of Hammond's Open Container Law within the boundaries of S. W. Railroad Ave., from 100 yards South of Coleman Street to West Thomas Street; East Charles Street to Hanson Street; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S. W. Railroad Avenue for the hours of 3pm to 11pm on Friday, March 23, 2018 and from 10:00am to 11:30pm on Saturday, March 24, 2018. Eric Phares, requested approval for waiver of the Open Container Law for the Hammond BBQ Challenge.

There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to approve the Hammond BBQ Challenge, Inc., to get a waiver of the City of Hammond's Open Container Law within the boundaries of S. W. Railroad Ave., from 100 yards South of Coleman Street to West Thomas Street; East Charles Street to Hanson Street; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S. W. Railroad Avenue for the hours of 3pm to 11pm on Friday, March 23, 2018 and from 10:00am to 11:30pm on Saturday, March 24, 2018.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

Councilman Lemar Marshall wished all females a Happy Valentine's Day

4. A resolution to approve Rite Aid located at 1918 Hammond Square Drive, Hammond, La., to sell High/Low packaged alcohol. The owner is Walgreen Louisiana Co., Inc. Jinnie Wilson, presented this item. She stated there has been some ownership changes that the business met all qualifications and is requesting that it be approved.

Shawna Cassel- 1918 Hammond Square Drive: Representative for owner was present at the meeting

There was a motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to approve Rite Aid located at 1918 Hammond Square Drive, Hammond, La., to sell High/Low packaged alcohol. The owner is Walgreen Louisiana Co., Inc.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

5. A resolution to approve Santa Fe Cattle Company at 2035 Hammond Square Drive, Hammond, La., to sell High/Low alcohol on premises. The owner is BDL Enterprises of LA, LLC. Jinnie Wilson, Stated that this is an ownership change of an existing restaurant and they have met all qualifications and she is requesting approval.

There was a motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to approve Santa Fe Cattle Company at 2035 Hammond Square Drive, Hammond, La., to sell High/Low alcohol on premises. The owner is BDL Enterprises of LA, LLC.

Owner: Bryan Lacombe: 2035 Hammond Square Drive, The Ownership has changed but, was the General Manager for 8yrs., and had the opportunity to purchase the restaurant from the current owners on the corporate side.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

6. A resolution to approve Fred's Stores of Tennessee Inc., located at 125 Hwy., 51 N. Hammond, La., 70401 to sell High/Low packaged alcohol. This is an existing business adding alcohol the owners are Fred's Stores of Tennessee Inc. Jinnie Wilson, presented this item to council stated that the business has met all qualifications and is requesting approval.

Virgil Best: 125 Highway 51 North, Store Manager of Fred's Representative for Owner

There was a motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to approve Fred's Stores of Tennessee Inc., located at 125 Hwy., 51 N. Hammond, La., 70401 to sell High/Low packaged alcohol. This is an existing business adding alcohol the owners are Fred's Stores of Tennessee Inc.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

7. A resolution to approve Amendment No. 1 for \$217,999.25 to the Rehabilitate Runway 18-36 and 13-31 Intersection contract between the City of Hammond and Michael Baker International, Inc. The additional funds are paid through state and federal grants. David Lobue, informed the council that they are trying to close out the current project with additional work that is required by the contractor. This is directed by the FAA and the State.

There was a motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilman Mike Williams to approve Amendment No. 1 for \$217,999.25 to the Rehabilitate Runway 18-36 and 13-31 Intersection contract between the City of Hammond and Michael Baker International, Inc. The additional funds are paid through state and federal grants

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

8. A resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment #1 to the Services Agreement between the City of Hammond and Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. Dwain Meche, 42590 W. Club Deluxe Rd., Acadian Ambulance Services – Stated the City presently has a contract and the money in the contract is not changing. The Change is for 30 day written notice to terminate contract, adds force majeure provisions, allows electronic signature, and adds a clause for Equal Opportunity Employer.

There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment #1 to the Services Agreement between the City of Hammond and Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

9. A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement on behalf of the City of Hammond with Tangipahoa Parish Government for road overlays on Ravenwood Drive, Ellis Drive, Wildwood Drive, Carolina Street, Center Street, Dixie Drive, Kinney Street, Rosewood Drive, Ruland Street, Clark Street, and Top Hat Street. Lacy Landrum, stated this will allow the Parish to come in and overlay all the these streets with no cost to the City.

There was a motion by Councilman Mike Williams and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement on behalf of the City of Hammond with Tangipahoa Parish Government for road overlays on Ravenwood Drive, Ellis Drive, Wildwood Drive, Carolina Street, Center Street, Dixie Drive, Kinney Street, Rosewood Drive, Ruland Street, Clark Street, and Top Hat Street.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

10. A resolution supporting 1) the submission of an application for \$15,000 to the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation for the preservation of the designated historic structure that is the Miller Memorial Library; and 2) supporting a cash match of at least \$15,000. Charles W. Borchers IV, presented this item to council stating this fund is a \$1 for \$1 in kind match. There are funds of \$35,000 in the Miller Memorial Library fund that has to be used for the building. This use money could be used for the repair of the roof and would come back to council for approval of the roof contract.

There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard supporting 1) the submission of an application for \$15,000 to the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation for the preservation of the designated historic structure that is the Miller Memorial Library; and 2) supporting a cash match of at least \$15,000.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

11. A resolution accepting work as substantially complete on “Sewer & Drainage System Evaluation Survey- Whitmar” (Project# 616-11804 & 420-11808), commencing 45 day lien period withholding 10% retainage. Chuck Spangler, stated they combined the Sewer & Drainage Survey of the Whitmar Subdivision and the surrounding infrastructure including water and sewer lines into one contract. The recommendation is to accept the work on the “Sewer & Drainage System Evaluation Survey” that is complete.

There was a motion by Councilman Mike Williams and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall accepting work as substantially complete on “Sewer & Drainage System Evaluation Survey- Whitmar” (Project# 616-11804 & 420-11808), commencing 45 day lien period withholding 10% retainage.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

12. A resolution to approve Budget Change Form No. 18-04 transferring \$85,000 from "I/I Repairs" (Project # 616-31401) to "Whitmar Sewer Rehabilitation" (616-11804). Chuck Spangler, stated this is to move funds from DEQ loan fund surplus to this project for the Whitmar Sewer Rehabilitation.

There was a motion by Councilman Mike Williams and second by Councilman Jason Hood to approve Budget Change Form No. 18-04 transferring \$85,000 from "I/I Repairs" (Project # 616-31401) to "Whitmar Sewer Rehabilitation" (616-11804).

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

VIII. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:

1. Final adoption of an ordinance to regulate filming and to provide for filming permits.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard and second by Councilman Lemar Marshall to **TABLE** the ordinance to regulate filming and to provide for filming permits to allow changes to the ordinance.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). **Motion to Table Approved 5-0**

2. Final Adoption of an ordinance to amend Rule V-24 Travel, regarding meal allowance, of the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual for City Employees.

There was a motion by Councilman Jason Hood and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to adopt an ordinance to amend Rule V-24 Travel, regarding meal allowance, of the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual for City Employees.

Vote: Jason Hood (Y), Janice Carter Beard (Y), Mike Williams (Y), Lemar Marshall (Y), Johnny Blount (Y). Motion Approved 5-0

3. Final adoption of an Ordinance providing for issuance and sale of not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (15,000,000) of Revenue Bonds.

ITEM PREVIOUSLY REMOVED FROM AGENDA

IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

X. ADJOURN: There was a motion by Councilman Lemar Marshall and second by Councilwoman Janice Carter Beard to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor and the meeting was adjourned. Motion Approved 5-0

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

I TONIA BANKS, CLERK OF COUNCIL, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECITATION OF THE BUSINESS TRANSACTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD **February 14, 2018**
BEING **6 PAGES** IN LENGTH

TONIA BANKS
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK

PRESIDENT JOHNNY BLOUNT
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL