



**Pete Panepinto**  
Mayor

July 9, 2021

**Line-Item Veto Statement for Ordinance No. 21-5657 C.S.**

An ordinance to amend the City of Hammond budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 in accordance with the procedures set within Section 5-03 of the City of Hammond Charter.

To the Council:

I am exercising my line-item veto authority to remove Item #25, \$100,000 for a sewer consultant, in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget. This item was added last minute, and when asked, the councilman could not describe what type of consultant would be hired nor what type of work this consultant would perform. I am not going to waste taxpayer dollars on unnecessary consultants.

I urge you to uphold my line-item veto of Item #25 of this budget ordinance.

Sincerely,

Mayor Pete Panepinto