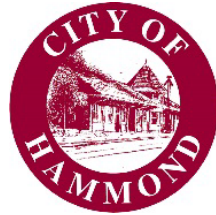


**Hammond City Council Members**  
Councilman Kip Andrews - President  
Councilman Sam DiVittorio - Vice President  
Councilman Devon Wells  
Councilwoman Carlee Gonzales  
Councilman Steve Leon

City Council Clerk, Lisa Cockerham  
City Attorney, Andre Coudrain

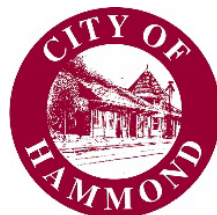


**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING  
MINUTES  
312 EAST CHARLES STREET  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA  
October 25, 2022  
5:30pm**

**I. CALL TO ORDER: Kip Andrews**

**II. ROLL CALL: Councilman Andrews (P), Councilman DiVittorio (P), Councilwoman Gonzales (P), Councilman Leon (P), Councilman Wells (Absent)**

**III. PUBLIC HEARING: NONE**



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
312 EAST CHARLES STREET  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA  
October 25, 2022  
6:00pm or at conclusion of Public Hearing**

**I. CALL TO ORDER: Kip Andrews**

**II. ROLL CALL: Councilman Andrews (P), Councilman DiVittorio (P), Councilwoman Gonzales (P), Councilman Leon (P), Councilman Wells (P)**

**III. PRAYER: Ron Matthews**

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

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Approval of Minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting

There was a motion by **Councilman Leon** and second by **Councilwoman Gonzales** to approve the minutes of October 11, 2022.

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Y) Motion Approved 5-0**

**VI. PRESENTATION**

**Jeannine Saucier**, 5k Purple Run, LLC, Invited the council and the public to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Purple Run, to bring awareness to domestic violence, Saturday, October 29, 2022 at Cate Square Park. The run will begin at 8am and donations are being accepted.

**Bobby Mitchell**, Code Enforcement- demolition request update status. Bobby answered questions and provided a list of proposed demolitions.

Lois Golden, stated she was concerned over a house in her neighborhood.

**VII. FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE: NONE**

**VIII. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE AND SET OF PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. Introduction of an ordinance to approve an Expanded Conditional Use request by Hayven LaFrance (owner) to allow for a mobile home located at 3605 Delia Randall Road per survey by Gilbert Sullivan, RLS dated 3/1/78; Zoned RM-2 (Z-2022-09-00111) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission .

**Lacy Landrum**, stated this was a standard mobile home request, located in the northern section of Councilman Leon's district. Mr. LaFrance was present and the Planning and Zoning Committee unanimously recommended approval.

**Councilman Leon**, asked if there was any disagreement from residents.

**Hayven LaFrance (owner)**, asked the council to table the item.

There was a motion by **Councilwoman Gonzales** and second by **Councilman Leon** to table the Introduction of an ordinance to approve an Expanded Conditional Use request by Hayven LaFrance (owner) to allow for a mobile home located at 3605 Delia Randall Road per survey by Gilbert Sullivan, RLS dated 3/1/78; Zoned RM-2 (Z-2022-09-00111) Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission.

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Y) Motion to Table Approved 5-0**

2. Introduction of an ordinance to approve a rezoning request by RE 3 Properties, LLC (owner) to rezone Lots 60, 61, & 62 of Block 3 of Vacarro Park Subdivision, located at 1409 West Church Street from RM-2 to MX-C (Z-2022-09-00112). Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission

**Lacy Landrum** stated this will match the adjoining property and is consistent with the land use map. Planning and Zoning unanimously recommended approval.

There was a motion by **Councilman DiVittorio** and second by **Councilman Andrews** to approve an ordinance to a rezoning request by RE 3 Properties, LLC (owner) to rezone Lots 60, 61, & 62 of Block 3 of Vacarro Park Subdivision, located at 1409 West Church Street from RM-2 to MX-C (Z-2022-09-00112). Recommended approval by the Zoning Commission

**Lacy Landrum** stated this will match the adjoining property and is consistent with the land use map. Planning and Zoning unanimously recommended approval.

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Y) Motion Approved 5-0**

**Public Hearing will be scheduled for Tuesday November 15, 2022, 2022 at 5:30pm**

**IX. RESOLUTIONS:**

1. A resolution to approve The Livin Room, LLC located at 1801 Nashville Ave. Hammond, LA 70401 to obtain a permit to sell on premise Hi/Low alcohol. The owner is Terrie Clemmons LLC.

**Kasey Daigle**, stated that the owner was not present and she has asked that the item be tabled.

There was a motion by **Councilman DiVittorio** and second by **Councilman Wells** to table a resolution to approve The Livin Room, LLC located at 1801 Nashville Ave. Hammond, LA 70401 to obtain a permit to sell on premise Hi/Low alcohol. The owner is Terrie Clemmons LLC.

**Pat Macaluso 1200 Lafitte Unit 1**, stated she lives close to the above business and she was not in favor of the permit.

**Anna File**, 1200 Lafitte Unit 2, stated that she agrees with Pat and she opposes the permit.

**Matt Babin**, 1604 Nashville, stated he has lived on Nashville for seventeen years and states that he opposes the permit.

**Jerry Correjollés**, 1410 Nashville, stated that he agrees with everyone and he opposes the permit. **Councilman Leon**, stated that the establishment has been a problem and he has received several calls and it doesn't need to be there. He that he would make a secondary motion to deny the permit.

**There was a substitute motion by Councilman Leon and second by Councilwoman Gonzales to deny a resolution to approve The Livin Room, LLC located at 1801 Nashville Ave. Hammond, LA 70401 to obtain a permit to sell on premise Hi/Low alcohol. The owner is Terrie Clemmons LLC.**

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Abstain Motion to Deny Approved 4-0)**

2. A resolution to approve annual alcohol renewals for 2023.

**Kasey Diagle**, stated that all of the businesses on the list have an existing permit. The list is due on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Jacqueline Taylor** stated that there are problems with all the clubs.

**Randy Wilson**, thanked Councilman Leon for taking a position on Livin Room.

**There was a motion by Councilman Wells and second by Councilman Andrews to approve annual alcohol renewals for 2023.**

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (abstain), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (abstain) Motion Approved 3-0**

3. A resolution to authorize the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants to serve alcohol during the event Starry November Night, held on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 8am-8pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Robert St., N. and S. Holly St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Magnolia St.

**Chelsea Tallo Little**, stated that they decided to move the event to Saturday and making it a full day event and it will benefit the community better.

Councilman Wells left the meeting.

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman Leon to authorize the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants to serve alcohol during the event Starry November Night, held on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 8am-8pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Robert St., N. and S. Holly St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Magnolia St.**

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Absent) Motion Approved 4-0**

4. A resolution to grant a Waiver of the City of Hammond's Open Container Law to the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants during the event Starry November Night, held on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 8am-8pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Robert St., N. and S. Holly St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Magnolia St.

**Chelsea Tallo Little**, same event as previous.

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman DiVittorio to to grant a Waiver of the City of Hammond's Open Container Law to the Downtown Development District and its approved merchants during the event Starry November Night, held on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 8am-8pm. The event is held within the boundaries of E. and W. Robert St., N. and S. Holly St., E. and W. Coleman St., and N. and S. Magnolia St.**

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Absent) Motion Approved 4-0**

Chelsea Tallo Little, invited everyone out to trick-or treat on Thursday downtown 5:30 pm to 7pm. The Lieutenant Governor will be at Railroad Park at 5:00 pm to give a recognition to downtown to kick-off the event and there will be 53 businesses participating.

5. A resolution 1) approving Hammond Northshore Regional Airport's 2023-28 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP); 2) requesting that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Division of Aviation provide funds required to complete the airport improvements specifically described in the Airport's CIP Application; 3) agreeing to certain assurances related to the proceeding; 4) authorizing the Mayor and Hammond City Council President to sign CIP documents; and 5) authorizing the Hammond City Council Clerk to attest to these signatures.

**Charles Borchers IV**, stated this plan makes a lot of improvements to the airport that are needed and overdue. These are due to the FAA by November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The need to get the council's approval to submit this to FAA. He stated that this was a plan and is not necessarily everything that will be done or the order that it will be done. This is letting the DOTD, FAA, general public and the council know what the plans are moving forward.

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman Leon 1) approving Hammond Northshore Regional Airport's 2023-28 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP); 2) requesting that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Division of Aviation provide funds required to complete the airport improvements specifically described in the Airport's CIP Application; 3) agreeing to certain assurances related to the proceeding; 4) authorizing the Mayor and Hammond City Council President to sign CIP documents; and 5) authorizing the Hammond City Council Clerk to attest to these signatures**

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Absent) Motion Approved 4-0**

6. A resolution 1) accepting a \$26,923 grant from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Division of Aviation for "Runway 18-36 Rehabilitation - Phase II (Design)" (City Project 22301) at Hammond Northshore Regional Airport; and 2) authorizing the Mayor or his designee to complete and sign related documents.

**Charles Borchers IV**, stated this was related to what David Lobue presented to the council on June 28<sup>th</sup>, presenting the FAA share of the contract, which is 90% and the state puts in a 10% match. They have received the grant contract from the state for the 10% match and there is no cost to the city. So they are asking the council to approve

Councilman Wells returns to the meeting

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman Leon** 1) accepting a \$26,923 grant from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Division of Aviation for "Runway 18-36 Rehabilitation - Phase II (Design)" (City Project 22301) at Hammond Northshore Regional Airport; and 2) authorizing the Mayor or his designee to complete and sign related documents.

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Y) Motion Approved 5-0**

7. A resolution supporting the submission of a grant application for \$50,000 to the Community Water Enrichment Fund for improvements to the City's water system.

**Charles Borchers IV**, stated that this was similar to the Louisiana government assistance program LGAP which he presented to the council two meetings ago for improvements to our water systems. What they would like to do with the funds is install what are called inserta valves.

**Councilwoman Gonzales**, asked if there was a match.

**Charles Borchers** stated that there is no match requirement.

**Councilman Wells**, asked about the cutoffs and where they would be located.

**Charles Borchers**, stated Guy is working on a list and he is not exactly sure where they will be.

**There was a motion by Councilman Wells and second by Councilman Andrews** a resolution to supporting the submission of a grant application for \$50,000 to the Community Water Enrichment Fund for improvements to the City's water system.

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Y) Motion Approved 5-0**

8. A resolution authorizing Lisa Cockerham, Hammond City Council Clerk, to certify authorized signatories and signatures for the Fiscal Year 2022–23 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund.

**Charles Borchers IV**, stated authorized signatories are required by these documents.

**There was a motion by Councilman Wells and second by Councilman Andrews** a to resolution authorizing Lisa Cockerham, Hammond City Council Clerk, to certify authorized signatories and signatures for the Fiscal Year 2022–23 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund.

**VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (Y) Motion Approved 5-0**

## **X. REPORTS:**

**Mayor:** Spokes and Hopes Bike Drive is going on. Hammond Police Department is reaching out to the local community to donated bikes. Anyone interested should contact the Hammond Police Department.

### **Council:**

**Councilman Wells**, asked about a complaint against the police chief.

**Councilman DiVittorio**, asked about speed bumps.

**Councilwoman Gonzales**, gave a recap of activities in the community. Halloween Trick or Treat Monday 5 pm to 8pm.

**Councilman Leon**, encouraged everyone to vote.

## **XI. ADJOURN**

There was a motion by **Councilwoman Gonzales** and second by **Councilman Leon** to adjourn the meeting. Motion Approved 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned

**CERTIFICATION OF CLERK**

I LISA COCKERHAM, CLERK OF COUNCIL DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE  
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2022  
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LISA COCKERHAM  
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK

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PRESIDENT, KIP ANDREWS  
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