



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA
February 7, 2024
5:30pm**

I. CALL TO ORDER: Councilman Andrews

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

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. An ordinance to approve an annexation request by James Marshall (Z-2023-10-00128) to annex 0.747 acres located on Tranquil Trace per survey by Max Bodin, Inc. dated 10/05/23; to be zoned RS-5. (District 4)

Lacy Landrum, explained the ordinance and the time line of the request.

No Public Comment



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
312 EAST CHARLES STREET
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February 7, 2024**

6:00pm or at conclusion of Public Hearing

I. CALL TO ORDER: Councilman Andrews

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

III. PRAYER: Councilman Andrews

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

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of Minutes of January 23, 2024 Meeting

There was a motion by Councilman Leon and second by Councilwoman Gonzales to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2024 meeting.

VOTE: Councilman Andrews (Y), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Wells (absent). Motion Approves 4-0

VI. FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE:

1. Final adoption of an ordinance to approve an annexation request by James Marshall (Z-2023-10-00128) to annex 0.747 acres located on Tranquil Trace per survey by Max Bodin, Inc. dated 10/05/23; to be zoned RS-5. (District 4)

Councilman DiVittorio, thanked everyone involved for their patience during the process.

There was a motion by Councilman DiVittorio and second by Councilman Andrews to adopt an ordinance to approve an annexation request by James Marshall (Z-2023-10-00128) to annex 0.747 acres located on Tranquil Trace per survey by Max Bodin, Inc. dated 10/05/23; to be zoned RS-5. (District 4)

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

VII. RESOLUTIONS:

1. A resolution to authorize the Hammond BBQ, Inc. to sell, serve, or otherwise handle alcohol 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; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S.W. Railroad Avenue, for the hours of 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2024 ; 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2024; and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturday March 23, 2024

Brian Shirey, 900 W. Colorado St., explained the nonprofit event.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman Leon to authorize the Hammond BBQ, Inc. to sell, serve, or otherwise handle alcohol 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; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S.W. Railroad Avenue, for the hours of 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2024 ; 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2024; and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturday March 23, 2024.

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

2. A resolution to authorize the Hammond BBQ, Inc. to receive a waiver of open container 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; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S.W. Railroad Avenue, for the hours of 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2024 ; 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2024; and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturday March 23, 2024.

Brian Shirey- same as the previous

There was a motion by Councilman DiVittorio and second by Councilwoman Gonzales to resolution to authorize the Hammond BBQ, Inc. to receive a waiver of open container 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; Coleman Street from Cate Street to S.W. Railroad Avenue, for the hours of 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2024 ; 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2024; and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturday March 23, 2024.

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

3. A resolution to approve Portside Seafood & Grill located at 1750 W. Thomas St. Suite I Hammond, LA 70401 to obtain an alcohol permit for a restaurant. The owner is Portside Seafood & Grill, LLC.

Lacy Landrum, stated this was a new restaurant in the place of the old Coop Deville Wings, same owner and request to sell beer only.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman Andrews to approve Portside Seafood & Grill located at 1750 W. Thomas St. Suite I Hammond, LA 70401 to obtain an alcohol permit for a restaurant. The owner is Portside Seafood & Grill, LLC.

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

4. A resolution 1) supporting the submission of an application for \$1.6 million to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to purchase a new ladder truck for the Hammond Fire Department (HFD); and 2) supporting a cash match of \$145,455 to come from the HFD's millage fund.

Lacy Landrum, stated this is the application stage and they are asking council permission to submit this grant and the one that follows. She explained the grant.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman Leon to approve 1) supporting the submission of an application for \$1.6 million to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to purchase a new ladder truck for the Hammond Fire Department (HFD); and 2) supporting a cash match of \$145,455 to come from the HFD's millage fund.

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

5. A resolution 1) supporting the submission of an application for \$320,000 to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to purchase new turnout gear and gear washers and dryers for the Hammond Fire Department (HFD); and 2) supporting a cash match of \$29,091 to come from the HFD's millage fund.

Lacy Landrum, stated like the previous one this is an application only, it would come back before the council to approve the contract if the grant is awarded. She explained the grant and gear washers and dryers.

There was a motion by Councilman Leon and second by Councilman Andrews to approve a resolution; 1) supporting the submission of an application for \$320,000 to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to purchase new turnout gear and gear washers and dryers for the Hammond Fire Department (HFD); and 2) supporting a cash match of \$29,091 to come from the HFD's millage fund.

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

6. A resolution to reappoint Ken Ross to the Hammond Airport Authority for a five year term ending September 30, 2028

Lacy Landrum, stated he is a current member and is willing to continue to serve.

Ken Ross, stated that the airport is a passion of his and he is happy to serve. He stated the airport is on the right course.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman DiVittorio to reappoint Ken Ross to the Hammond Airport Authority for a five year term ending September 30, 2028.

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

VIII. REPORTS:

Mayor: Lacy Landrum, stated the received sales tax from December shopping and it was above the budget, which came in around \$2.7 million.

Council: Councilman Andrews, stated the city offices closed on Tuesday for Mardi Gras and to keep Councilman Wells in prayer due to the loss of his aunt.

IX. ADJOURN:

There was a motion by Councilman Leon and second by Councilwoman Gonzales to adjourn. All members were in favor and the meeting was adjourned. 4-0 to adjourn

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

I LISA COCKERHAM, 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 7,

2024

BEING 3 PAGES IN LENGTH

LISA COCKERHAM
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK

PRESIDENT, KIP ANDREWS
HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL

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