



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES  
312 EAST CHARLES STREET  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA  
March 10, 2026  
5:30pm**

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

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

**III. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. An Ordinance request by Raquelle Collins for a Variance to open a Daycare Facility at 101 Alida Drive, Unit A. in District 4

Charles Borchers, explained the item

No public comment

2. An Ordinance request by Regina Showers-Gordon for a Variance to open a Daycare Facility at 1809 and 1901 North Morrison Boulevard, in District 5.

Charles Borchers, explained the item.

Councilwoman Gonzales, asked about the status of review of moratorium establishing a Temporary 365 Day Moratorium for group homes and facilities.

No Public Comment.

3. An Ordinance to update the Unified Development Code (UDC) by the City Planner regarding Definitions and Uses. (Charles Borchers)

Frankie Legaux, explained the item and that there was an addition of section 6.3.10.

No public comment.



**HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MINUTES  
312 EAST CHARLES STREET  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA  
March 10, 2026**

**6:00pm or at conclusion of Public Hearing**

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

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

**III. PRAYER: Superintendent Cox**

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

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of Minutes of February 24, 2026 Meeting.**

There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales second Councilman Leon to approve Minutes of February 24, 2026

**Vote: Councilwoman Gonzales (Y), Councilman Wells (absent), Councilman DiVittorio (Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y).**

**VI. Presentation – Presenter** Shawntell Lewis, Northshore Regional Director Gulf Coast Social Service was unable to attend.

Councilman Andrews- Presented awards to local students for achievement. He also presented the Wilbert Dangerfield award to George Perkins, Jr.

George Perkins, Jr. accepted his award and stated he appreciates everyone and the honor.

**VII. FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE:**

1. Final adoption of an Ordinance request by Raquelle Collins for a Variance to open a Daycare Facility at 101 Alida Drive, Unit A. in District 4.

Owner was present.

**There was a motion by Councilman DiVittorio second Councilman Andrews to adopt an ordinance request by Raquelle Collins for a Variance to open a Daycare Facility at 101 Alida Drive, Unit A.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells(absent), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved 4-0

2. Final adoption of an Ordinance request by Regina Showers-Gordon for a Variance to open a Daycare Facility at 1809 and 1901 North Morrison Boulevard, in Distrit 5. (Charles Borchers)

Councilman Wells, entered the meeting.

Owner was present.

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales second Councilman Leon to adopt an ordinance request by Regina Showers-Gordon for a Variance to open a Daycare Facility at 1809 and 1901 North Morrison Boulevard, in District 5.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells(Y), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved 5-0

3. Final adoption of an Ordinance to update the Unified Development Cod (UDC) by the City Planner regarding Definitions and Uses.

Frankie Legaux, explained the ordinance and asked that it be adopted with the adding of section 6.3.10 to the end of the definitions.

No public comment.

**There was a motion by Councilman Andrews second Councilman Leon to adopt an ordinance to update the Unified Development Cod (UDC) by the City Planner regarding Definitions and Uses with the adding of section number 6.3.10 to the end of the definitions.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells (abstain), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved 4-0

## **VIII. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:**

1. Introduction of an Ordinance to correct Ordinance No.26-5790 Regarding Rezoning of 803, 807, and 809 South Oak Street.

Frankie Legaux, explained the item.

**There was a motion by Councilman Leon second Councilwoman Gonzales to introduce an ordinance to to correct Ordinance No.26-5790 Regarding Rezoning of 803, 807, and 809 South Oak Street.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells(Y), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved 5-0

2. Introduction of Ordinance to approve a request by Robert Penn for a Major Subdivision on Hewitt Road, in District 3. The Planning and Zoning Commission, hearing no opposition, recommends adoption (4-0)

Frankie Legaux, explained the item.

Councilwoman Gonzales, stated she had issues with the conditions that needs to be done before the adoption.

Ron Matthews, explained the planning and zoning process.

Pam Haynes, expressed her concern that things are not in order.

Robert Penn, one of the owners of the property was present and said they are working on the conditions.

Joyce Cox, one of the owners, spoke of the project and the benefits to the community.

Megan Boudreax, asked about signs and agenda as well as questions about the project.

Robert Penn, explained the project.

Councilman Wells, asked about the engineers comments.

Nicole Hill, one of the owners taled about the project will build community.

**There was a motion by Councilman Wells second Councilman DiVittorio to introduce an ordinance to to approve a approve a request by Robert Penn for Major Subdivision on Hewitt Road, in District 3.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells(Y), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved 5-0

3. Introduction of Ordinance to approve a Major Subdivision by Trent Anthony at 401 J. W. Davis Drive, in District 3. The Planning and Zoning Commission, hearing no opposition, recommends adoption (4-0)

Frankie Legaux, explained the item.

Councilman Wells, stated there were questions and concerns about the project and thinks it should be delayed.

**There was a motion by Councilman Wells second Councilman DiVittorio to table an ordinance to approve a Major Subdivision by Trent Anthony at 401 J. W. Davis Drive, in District 3.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells (Y), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved 5-0

## **IX. RESOLUTIONS:**

1. A resolution to authorize the Mayor to enter into contract with LEI, Inc for Household Hazardous Waste services in the approximated annual amount of \$41,925.19 RFP 26-18

Charles Borchers, explained the item.

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales second Councilman Andrews to authorize the Mayor to enter into contract with LEI, Inc for Household Hazardous Waste services in the approximated annual amount of \$41,925.19 RFP 26-18**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells(Y), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approve

2. A resolution authorizing the purchase of equipment (for the New 2026 Dodge Durango's) from Dana Safety Supply, Inc. for the Total of \$52,744.60.

Charles Borchers, explained the item.

Councilman Wells, asked how many vehicles.

**There was a motion by Councilman Andrews second Councilwoman Gonzales to authorizing the purchase of equipment (for the New 2026 Dodge Durango's) from Dana Safety Supply, Inc. for the Total of \$52,744.60.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells( abstain), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved

3. A Resolution Establishing the "City Of Hammond Emergency Shelter Feasibility Committee" to Study the Implementation of Short-Term Warming and Cooling Centers Operated by Volunteer Organizations.

Councilwoman Gonzales, explained the item.

Jeanne Voorhes, explained the reason and the need for the proposal.

Stanley Campbell, stated that the community has a need for this and he is in support of the resolution.

**There was a motion by Councilman Andrews second Councilwoman Gonzales Establishing the "City Of Hammond Emergency Shelter Feasibility Committee" to Study the Implementation of Short-Term Warming and Cooling Centers Operated by Volunteer Organizations.**

**Vote:** Councilwoman Gonzales(Y), Councilman Wells(Y), Councilman DiVittorio(Y), Councilman Leon (Y), Councilman Andrews (Y). Motion approved

#### **X. REPORTS:**

**Mayor:** Online utility payment portal has ben launched. Customers can not make payments online.

#### **Council:**

Councilman DiVittorio, asked about lights in Villa West.

Councilman Wells asked about a tree that fell on Moone Ave, one on JW Davis and he requested and update on the park. He was also concerned about four wheelers on the basketball court and requested that signs be put up.

Councilman Andrews asked about the rerouting of traffic of the Daily Bread lines. He also stated he is awaiting a response from the State Police regarding the Bobby McCaskey case.

He asked about an incident that happened downtown with a pedestrian.

#### **XI . ADJOURN:**

**There was a motion by Councilwoman Gonzales and second by Councilman Andrews to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor and the meeting was adjourned. Motion to adjourn 5-0**

#### **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

TRANSACTIONED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD

March 10, 2026

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LISA COCKERHAM

HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL CLERK

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PRESIDENT, KIP ANDREWS

HAMMOND CITY COUNCIL

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