#### MINUTES OF THE

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA

## ON Tuesday, November 28, 2023,

### AT 6:00 P.M. AT 414 EAST MAIN STREET, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Mayor Ray Bourque, Councilwoman Angel Racca (District 1), Councilman David Bonin (District 2), Councilman Jesse Regan (District 3), Councilwoman Heather Girouard (District 4), Councilman David Forbes (District 5), Councilman Kody Allen (District 6) and Councilman Jeff Delahoussave (At Large),

Staff:

Tina Emert (City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services), Karen Fontenot (Chief Financial Officer), Callie Laviolette (Chief Administrative Officer),
Susie Richard (Executive Assistant to the Mayor), Millicent Norbert (Director of Tourism), Jamison Abshire (Director of Parks and Recreation), Ben Theriot (Code Enforcement Officer), Gerald deLaunay (Attorney at Law), Chief Vance Olivier (Police Chief), Tony Ashy (Assistant Police Chief), Walter Comeaux (City Engineer),
Justin Denais (Deputy Fire Chief)

ABSENT:

Mel Bertrand (City Manager/Director of Public Works)
Daniel Hutchinson (City Engineer),

#### 1. OPENING

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Invocation done by Pastor Weldon Moak of First Baptist Church

#### 2. MINUTES

2.1 Acceptance of Minutes of the November 14, 2023, Regular Meeting Motion by Councilman Delahoussaye

Second by Councilman Allen

Discussion: No public comments.
Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS:

District 1 - Angel Racca

District 2 - David Bonin

District 3 - Jesse Regan

District 4 - Heather Girouard

District 5 - David Forbes
District 6 - Kody Allen

At Large - Jeff Delahoussaye

#### 3. OTHER BUSINESS

3.1 Report on condemned property: 304 East Madison/Douglas & Willa Chesson Property Owner to provide proof of contract for demolition

Ben stated he spoke to the property owner today. She does not have a contract or a purchase agreement to sell the property, neither does she have a contract for the demolition. Last month the council gave her 30-days to come forward with either of these agreements. The deadline was today. The council agreed to move forward with the condemnation of the property.

#### 4. RESOLUTIONS

#### 4.1 Resolution #760-23

A resolution authorizing the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana for the Highway 90 Service Road

Motion by Councilman Delahoussaye

Second by Councilman Bonin

Discussion: Mayor Bourque stated the State is asking for this agreement to be signed. This ear marks money in the state budget for this project. The state is still undecided if they will build a service road. This agreement will keep the funding in place should the project happen down the road.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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#### 4.2 Resolution #772-23

A resolution authorizing execution of a Betterment Agreement with Offshore Energy Services for Infrastructure Improvements on a cost sharing basis for the St Etienne Cross Drain Project

Motion by Councilman Regan

Second by Councilwoman Girouard

Discussion: Mayor Bourque stated the current I49 Improvements passes in front of the Offshore Energy building. They knew since the discussion of the project a couple of years ago that something would have to be done with the entrance to their facilities from Highway 90. They have access from St. Etienne Road, but a cross-drain is needed for the larger trucks. In 2015 the council passed a resolution agreeing to fund 50% of

the cross-drain project. Councilman Regan stated he has met with their team to discuss the city's assistance in this matter. They cannot get an 18-wheeler in and out of the front entrance with the improvements being made on Highway 90. They have invested over 3 million in this facility, and they employ 515 people. Councilman Regan stated we will split the amount of the funding assistance 50% for this budget year and 50% for the next budget year.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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#### 5. ORDINANCES INTRODUCED

#### 5.1 Ordinance #23-785

An ordinance amending the 2023/2024 Budget of Operating Revenues and Expenditures for the St. Etienne Cross Drain Project

Motion by Councilman Delahoussaye

Second by Councilman Regan

Discussion: No public comments.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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Mayor Bourque reminded everyone the Christmas Parade is schedule for Saturday, December 2, 2023. The Papa Noel market will open at 2:00 pm and Santa will be taking pictures at 4:30 and we will continue with the lighting of the Christmas tree at 6:30 pm.

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

6.1 Adjourn Meeting

MAYOR RAY BOURQUE

TINA EMERT. CITY CLERK