



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

St. Charles Parish
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Final

Council Chairman Holly Fonseca
Councilmembers Michael A. Mobley, La Sandra D. Wilson,
Heather Skiba, Walter Pilié, Willie Comardelle, Michelle O'Daniels,
Bob Fisher, Michele deBruler

Monday, February 10, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

ATTENDANCE

Present 9 - Michael A. Mobley, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra D. Wilson, Heather Skiba, Walter Pilié, Willie Comardelle, Michelle O'Daniels, Bob Fisher, and Michele deBruler

Also Present

Parish President Matthew Jewell, Legal Services Director Corey Oubre, Legal Services Assistant Director Robert Raymond, Chief Administrative Officer Mike Palamone, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Samantha de Castro, Chief Operations Officer Darrin Duhe, Executive Director of Technology and Cybersecurity Anthony Ayo, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works Director Miles Bingham, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Grants Officer Carla Chiasson, Risk Management Officer Rechell Champagne, General Government Buildings Facilities Manager Bob Messerly, Gabrielle Wood, Public Information Office

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Pastor Alice Boutte
New Life Community Church, Luling

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of January 27, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

[2025-0010](#)

In Recognition: Chief Barry Minnich, 50 Years of Service, Luling Volunteer Fire Department

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Councilman Comardelle spoke on the matter.
Chief Minnich spoke on the matter.
Chairman Fonseca spoke on the matter.

Read

[2025-0011](#)

Proclamation: "French Language and Heritage Day"
"Le Jour de langue et d'héritage français"

Sponsors: Mr. Comardelle

Read

[2025-0012](#)

Proclamation: "Problem Gambling Awareness Month"

Sponsors: Ms. Fonseca

Read

[2025-0023](#)

Proclamation: "Krewe of Montz Day"

Sponsors: Mr. Fisher

Councilman Fisher spoke on the matter.

Read

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2025-0013](#)

Entergy

Customer Service Manager Flo Dumas, reported.

Councilman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Ms. Dumas spoke on the matter.

Councilman Fisher spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman O'Daniels spoke on the matter.

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Chairman Fonseca spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2025-0014](#)

Risk Management/Safety

Risk Management Officer Rechell Champagne reported.

Councilman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Ms. Champagne spoke on the matter.

Chairman Fonseca spoke on the matter.

Councilman Comardelle spoke on the matter.

Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Reported

[2025-0015](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Parish President Matthew Jewell reported.

Councilman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Parish President Jewell spoke on the matter.

Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman Wilson spoke on the matter.

Councilwoman O'Daniels spoke on the matter.

Reported

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN FONSECA AUTHORIZED THAT THE ORDINANCES, HAVING BEEN PRESENTED FOR INTRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, AND NOT REJECTED BY TWO-THIRDS OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, ARE TO BE PUBLISHED IN SUMMARY FORM AS FOLLOWS IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL WITH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2025-0019](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A(M) to R-2 on Lots 35 and 36, Square E, Oak Ridge Park Subdivision, 925 and 935 Paul Frederick Drive, Luling as requested by Danny Alexander.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0020](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A to M-1 on Lot 127X, Coteau de France, 16076 Highway 631, Paradis as requested by Pether Alonso.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0021](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from C-1 to R-1A(M) on a Portion of Lot 1 of the P.R. Vicknair Property, 167 Post Street, Killona as requested by Bruce Pitre and Robin Rogers.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0022](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from C-2 to C-3 on Lot 25A, Good Hope Subdivision Annex "C", 196 Good Hope Street, Norco as requested by Malcolm Darensbourg, III for M.A.D. III, LLC.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0024](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 23-7-7, which approved a Professional Services Agreement with Bryant Hammett & Associates, LLC, to perform additional surveying services for the Texaco Road Survey (Project No. P230601), in the lump sum amount of \$21,015.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0025](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Change Order No. 1 for the St. Charles Parish East Bank Water Treatment Plant Hurricane Ida Repairs (Project No. WWKS 109), to increase the contract amount by \$134,919.00 and to increase contract time by 50 days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Waterworks

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0026](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 3 (Final) for the Destrehan Pump Station (P.S.) No. 2 Conveyance Improvements, (Project No. P181101), to decrease the contract amount by \$64,132.57.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0027](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 20-8-13, which approved an Engineering Services Agreement between N-Y Associates, Inc., to facilitate requested changes at the intersection of Carriage and Dunleith Canals for the Carriage/Dunleith Canals Drainage Structure (Project No. P200706), in the amount of \$44,403.00, resulting in an overall contract value not to exceed \$473,378.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0028](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 2 (Final) for the Des Allemands Phase 1 Bulkhead (Project No. P210601), to decrease the contract amount by \$118,000.72 and decrease the contract time by sixteen (16) calendar days, for a total contract price of \$6,949,452.71 and total contract time of two hundred fifty-three (253) calendar days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0029](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Contract with Thompson Consulting Services, LLC, for Storm Debris Monitoring 2024, (Project No. P241002).

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0030](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Alpha Testing and Inspection, Inc., for testing and inspection services for the Capital Project Testing and Inspection (Project No. P250107), in the not to exceed amount of \$250,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0031](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Terracon Consultants, Inc., to perform engineering services for Roadway Coring - 2025 (Project No. P250106), in the not to exceed amount of \$100,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0032](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 2 to Ordinance No. 21-4-7, which approved a Professional Services Agreement with GIS Engineering, LLC, to perform engineering services for the Montz Pump Station (Project No. P210301), in the amount not to exceed \$797,379.50, which increases the overall contract value to \$1,525,535.50.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0033](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Barowka and Bonura Engineers and Consultants, LLC, to perform engineering services for the Cousins Canal Bank Stabilization (Project No. P241103), in the not to exceed amount of \$618,000.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

[2025-0034](#)

An ordinance of the Parish of St. Charles providing that the Code of Ordinances, Parish of St. Charles, be amended by revising Section 15-5, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, of said Code, to provide for the installation of “**NO PARKING**” signs on both sides of Williams Street in Boutte.

Sponsors: Mr. Comardelle

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on February 24, 2025

**ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING
(INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)**

[2025-0005](#)

An ordinance to approve the usage of Special Revenue Fund 123, Flood Protection, to pay for electrical utilities, fuel, parish water, debris disposal, repair parts, third party repair services to include parts and labor, and other maintenance items associated with the operation of the pump stations located on the Parish's outer flood protection levee system. Parish labor associated with operation and repairs will not be paid out of the Special Revenue 123 fund.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval
Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.
Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

Chairman Fonseca stated that Administration requested that File No. 2025-0005 be postponed indefinitely.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to Postponed Indefinitely File No. 2025-0005. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Postponed Indefinitely

[2025-0006](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 22-1-2, which approved a Professional Services Agreement with EJES Inc., to perform engineering services for Kinler and Paul Frederick Roadway and Drainage Improvements (Project No. P210704), in the amount not to exceed \$358,896.00, increasing the overall contract amount to \$744,851.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval
Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 25-2-1

Council Discussion
Mr. Bingham spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 25-2-1

Parish President Matthew Jewell departed the meeting at 7:22 pm.

[2025-0007](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 1 (Final) for the St. Charles Parish 1st Floor Courthouse Renovation (Project No. NO-GBCH023), to decrease the contract amount by \$42,706.00 and increase the contract time by 11 days.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and General Government Buildings

Reported:

General Government Buildings Recommended: Approval
General Government Buildings Facilities Manager Bob Messerly spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 25-2-2

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 25-2-2

[2025-0008](#)

An ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 24-10-4 and to lease a .31 acre property for replacement parking over property now or formerly owned by S-One Properties, LLC, for the Ormond Area Flood Mitigation, CN Railroad Culvert Installation Project (P200801).

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval
Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.
Legal Services Director Corey Oubre spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 25-2-3

Council Discussion

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 25-2-3

[2025-0009](#)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the Parish President to execute a Franchise Agreement with Entergy Louisiana, LLC, (formerly known as Louisiana Power and Light) its successors and assigns, to provide electric power and energy throughout St. Charles Parish all in accordance with La-R.S. 33:4361.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Legal Services

Reported:

Legal Services Department Recommended: Approval
Legal Services Director Corey Oubre spoke on the matter.

Chairman Fonseca stated that Administration requested that File No. 2025-0009 be postponed indefinitely.

Speakers:

Joseph Coco, Destrehan

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Council Discussion

A motion was made by Councilmember Pilié, seconded by Councilmember O'Daniels, to Postpone Indefinitely File No. 2025-0009. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Postponed Indefinitely

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN TABLED

[2024-0425](#)

An ordinance revoking a Special Permit Use for automobile sales in a C-2 zoning district on Lot 1, Autin Subdivision, 16830 Highway 90, Des Allemands.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

File No. 2025-0425 Postponed Indefinitely per Parish Council Rule 8. #8. Ordinances/Resolutions Which Have Been Tabled [Shall only appear on two (2) subsequent regular meeting Agendas]

Postponed Indefinitely (Council Rule 8)

RESOLUTIONS

[2025-0016](#)

A resolution supporting the application for funding of the Des Allemands Bulkhead - Phase 2 project through the Louisiana Office of Community Development's FY 2024-2025 Local Government Assistance Program.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6815

[2025-0017](#)

A resolution supporting the application for funding of the Water Meter Replacement Project - Phase VI through the Louisiana Office of Community Development's FY 2024-2025 Community Water Enrichment Fund.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6816

[2025-0018](#)

A resolution endorsing waivers from Appendix C, Subdivision Regulations of 1981, Section III. Geometric Standards, B. Blocks, 3. Arrangement and E. Building Lines as requested by Simoneaux Family Land, LLC.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Reported:

P & Z Department Recommended: Approval
Planning Commission Recommended: Approval
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6817

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember O'Daniels, seconded by Councilmember Comardelle, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:40 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Moblely, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

Michelle Impastato
Council Secretary