



St. Charles Parish

Meeting Minutes

Parish Council

St. Charles Parish
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Final

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

Monday, March 16, 2026

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, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works Director Miles Bingham, Wastewater Director David deGeneres, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Grants Officer Carla Chiasson, Risk Management Officer Rechell Champagne, Dayna Parker, Personnel Officer, Michelle Impastato, Council Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm.

PRAYER / PLEDGE

Deacon Donnie Hills
First Baptist Church, Paradis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of March 2, 2026. 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.)

[2026-0094](#)

In Memoriam: Jacob M. Dufrene, Sr.

Sponsors: Ms. deBruler

Public comment opened on the deviation; no public comment

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Comardelle, to deviate from the regular order of the agenda to take up File No. 2026-0094; a matter not on the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Deviated

Read

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to return to the regular order of the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Returned

[2026-0095](#)

In Recognition: Justin Paul Taravella, Eagle Scout

Sponsors: Ms. deBruler

Read

[2026-0096](#)

Proclamation: United Way of St. Charles 5K Bridge Run Day in St. Charles Parish

Sponsors: Ms. Wilson

Read

[2026-0097](#)

Proclamation: "Child Abuse Prevention Month"

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

[2026-0098](#)

Proclamation: “Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Financial Literacy Month”

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié

Read

[2026-0099](#)

Proclamation: “Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month”

Sponsors: Mr. Mobley

Read

[2026-0100](#)

Proclamation: “Need to Feed Month in St. Charles Parish”

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié

Read

[2026-0101](#)

Proclamation: “Fair Housing Month in St. Charles Parish”

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

[2026-0092](#)

Proclamation: “National Community Development Week”

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

[2026-0102](#)

St. Charles Community Health Center

Gencie White, Operations Manager, St. Charles Community Health Center, reported.
Coretta Lagarde, Executive Director, American Heart Association, reported.
Danielle Barrios, St. Charles Community Health Center Coach, reported.

Reported

[2026-0103](#)

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Parish President Matthew Jewell reported.

Reported

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN PILIÉ 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, APRIL 6, 2026, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

[2026-0104](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from C-2 to C-3 on property designated as the Lot ADV-3, Block A, Mimosa Park Subdivision, 12429 Highway 90, Luling as requested by Yvette and Joseph Wolford.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

[2026-0105](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from M-1 to R-1M on property designated as Lot 19-A, Pecan Grove Plantation Subdivision, 12350 River Road, Destrehan as requested by Anna Nelson for DNA Real Estate, LLC.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

[2026-0106](#)

An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 91-1-6, Traffic Code for St. Charles Parish; to provide for installation of "NO PARKING" decals in Lakewood West Subdivision, Luling.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

[2026-0112](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with G.E.C., Inc. to perform engineering services for the School Zone Improvements (Project No. P241101), in the amount not to exceed of \$94,990.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

[2026-0113](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 25-5-3, which approved the Professional Services Agreement with Quality Engineering & Surveying for the Ama Park Renovations (Project No. RECAPR25), in the not to exceed amount of \$25,175.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Parks and Recreation

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

[2026-0114](#)

An ordinance to enact a MORATORIUM on the permitting, consideration, approval, location, construction, and/or installation of any Data Center facilities for a period of 12 months.

Sponsors: Ms. O'Daniels, Ms. Wilson and Mr. Pilié

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

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

[2026-0082](#)

An ordinance to amend Ordinance 81-10-6, the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, as amended, Appendix A. Section VII. Supplemental use and performance regulations.: *Solar Energy System, Large (LSES)* to add development standards.

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié and Ms. O'Daniels

Reported:

Councilman Pilié Recommended: Approval

Councilwoman O'Daniels Recommended: Approval

Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Mr. Jeff Arnold, Metairie

Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.

Mr. Arnold spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-6

Council Discussion

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-6

[2026-0083](#)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18 - Personnel, Article I. In General, Section 18-1. Regulations for substance abuse by parish employees.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Personnel Office

Reported:

Personnel Office Recommended: Approval

Dayna Parker, Personnel Officer, spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-7

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-7

[2026-0087](#)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of the purchase and/or expropriation by St. Charles Parish from the owners of a certain 5.72 acre parcel of property described as a portion of Lot 4B, Gassen Estate owned by LR Gassen Holding, LLC, et al located at 400 Hackberry Street in the unincorporated community of Luling, LA on the west bank of the Mississippi River in St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

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

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Enactment No: 26-3-8

Council Discussion

Mr. Oubre spoke on the matter.
Mr. Bingham spoke on the matter.
Parish President Matthew Jewell 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: 26-3-8

RESOLUTIONS

[2026-0091](#)

A resolution approving and authorizing St. Charles Parish to submit a FY27 congressionally directed funding request for the Des Allemands Bulkhead Project, for inclusion in the FY27 Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, specifically the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Account.

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

Council Discussion

Ms. Chiasson spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6895

[2026-0093](#)

A resolution certifying that St. Charles Parish has complied with the bidding procedures of Louisiana Revised Statutes 38:2211, et. seq., for the construction of the Des Allemands Boat Launch Project (BA-0237).

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: 6896

APPOINTMENTS

[2026-0016](#)

A resolution appointing Mr. Nick Nassar to the River Parishes Transit Authority.

Sponsors: Mr. Mobley, Ms. Fonseca, Ms. Wilson, Ms. Skiba, Mr. Pilié, Mr. Comardelle, Ms. O'Daniels, Mr. Fisher and Ms. deBruler

VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. NICK NASSAR

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

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6897

[2026-0045](#)

A resolution appointing Mr. Steven E. Dorand to the St. Charles Parish Planning & Zoning Commission as the District III Representative.

VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. STEVEN E. DORAND

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

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6898

[2026-0086](#)

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing Emergency Medical Services as requested by the Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of St. Charles, Board of Commissioners.

Chairman Pilié stated that this item will be deferred to the Monday, April 6th Council Meeting pending receipt of the required nomination.

Deferred

ANNOUNCEMENT

*****Announcement of Public Meeting*****

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Monday, April 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor of the St. Charles Parish Courthouse, 15045 River Road, Hahnville, Louisiana, the St. Charles Parish Council plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana to authorize one or more ad valorem taxes therein (Recreation & COA).

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Comardelle, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:36 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, 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