

NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
NOVEMBER 7 2023, @ 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS



CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: BROOKE MARCOTTE

ROLL CALL: _____ Mayor Pro Tem Ricky Gonsoulin

_____ Councilmember Brooke Marcotte

_____ Councilmember Marlon Lewis

_____ Councilmember David Broussard

_____ Councilmember Deidre Ledbetter

_____ Councilmember Deedy Johnson-Reid

_____ Councilmember Dustin Suire

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

- a. Regular meeting of October 17, 2023, which was published on October 21, 2023.

3. PERSONS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL:

- a. Wallace Ozenne to address the Council on behalf of St. Edward Catholic Church.

4. ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

- a. **Ordinance No. 2023-27:** An Ordinance amending Section 74 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Iberia related to urban camping in the City of New Iberia

5. RESOLUTIONS:

- a. **Resolution No. 23-165:** A Resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held in the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, October 14, 2023, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein.
- b. **Resolution No. 23-166:** A Resolution authorizing the submittal of FY 2024/2025 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant application and entering into agreements associated with administration and engineering services
- c. **Resolution No. 23-167:** A Resolution approving Change Order No. 1 for the American Rescue Plan Act Project entitled “Bank Street Park Improvements and Additions” and further authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith
- d. **Resolution No. 23-168:** A Resolution approving Change Order No. 1 for the American Rescue Plan Act Project entitled “West End Park Expansion” and further authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith
- e. **Resolution No. 23-169:** A Resolution approving the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the American Rescue Plan Act Project entitled “West End Park Improvements” and further authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith
- f. **Resolution No. 23-170:** A Resolution authorizing the allocation of remaining funds from the City of New Iberia Asphalt Overlay and Concrete Street Repair Projects to the FY 2024 City of New Iberia Road Striping Project and road maintenance equipment
- g. **Resolution No. 23-171:** A Resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a professional services contract with Berard, Habetz, and Associates for the City of New Iberia Pavement Marking Project and further authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith
- h. **Resolution No. 23-172:** A Resolution awarding contract to Minvielle Lumber Company for the Bayou Teche Museum (Phase III) Project and authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith, all contingent upon approval from the Louisiana Office of Facility Planning and Control

- i. **Resolution No. 23-173:** A Resolution awarding contract to Iberia Aggregates and Construction Materials, LLC for Area A of the American Rescue Plan Act Project entitled “Drainage Cleanout” and further authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith
- j. **Resolution No. 23-174:** A Resolution authorizing and directing the mayor and/or his staff to execute the Louisiana Audit Compliance Questionnaire for and on behalf of the City of New Iberia

6. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

- a. **Introduction of Special Ordinance No. 2023-2024-02:** An Ordinance amending the budget to allocate funds for the Garon Paul Atkinson Lewis Foundation and setting for Public Hearing on November 21, 2023.
- b. **Introduction of Special Ordinance No. 2023-2024-03:** An Ordinance amending the budget to allocate funds for the Hopkins Street Economic Development Authority and setting for Public Hearing on November 21, 2023.
- c. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2023-28:** An Ordinance amending the approved budget allocations for American Rescue Plan Act funds received by the City of New Iberia (Amendment No. 8) and setting for Public Hearing on November 21, 2023.
- d. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2023-29:** An Ordinance authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a professional services contract with Berard, Habetz, and Associates for the FY 2024 City of New Iberia Streets Project and further authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith and setting for Public Hearing on November 21, 2023.
- e. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2023-30:** An Ordinance granting a franchise, right, and privilege to CLECO POWER LLC (“Company”), its successors and assigns, for a period of 27 years from the date this Ordinance becomes effective for the construction, maintenance and operation of electric utilities, electric generating facilities and/or transmission and distribution systems in, through and across the City of New Iberia, Louisiana (“Municipality”), and for the use of the roads, streets, alleys, ways, and public places, and other public servitudes within said Municipality, in connection therewith, for the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electric current, energy, power and/or service, fixing the terms, considerations and limitations thereof and providing for payment by the Company (its successors and assigns) of a sum equal to four percent (4%) of amounts received by said Company from the sale and/or delivery of electric service at retail for residential and commercial purposes based on residential and commercial net rates (unbundled rates in the event of deregulation) billed for service within the limits of said Municipality (exclusive of taxes and all governmental fees and impositions shown on such bills), as said limits may now or hereafter lawfully exist, and repealing all ordinances in conflict herewith and setting for public hearing on November 21, 2023.
- f. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2023-31:** An Ordinance authorizing the City of New Iberia to enter into an Electric Service Agreement and a Streetlighting Agreement with Cleco Power LLC and setting for public hearing on November 21, 2023.

7. PROPERTY STANDARDS:

- a. Revisit the state of the buildings located at 620 East Saint Peter Street (District 5) and Action (**Resolution No. 23-175**).
- b. Revisit the state of the buildings located at 626 East Saint Peter Street (District 5) and Action (**Resolution No. 23-176**).

8. FINANCE REPORTS

- a. Kevin Zerangue to present budget-to-actual reports for November 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

9. COUNCIL REMARKS:

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next regularly scheduled city council meeting will be held on November 21, 2023.
- b. Reminder to council and citizens to participate in the MS4 Storm Water Survey at www.cityofnewiberia.com under Public Works section.
- c. **The city of New Iberia currently has adjudicated properties available for sale at CivicSource.com.** To initiate the auction process on one or more properties, the investor must place a deposit of \$850 on each property, which starts the prerequisite legal research and notification process that is required before the auction takes place. The pre-sale process takes approximately 120 days to complete. If the current property owner pays all delinquent taxes and fees during the pre-sale period, the depositor is refunded the deposit and the sale is halted. Visit CivicSource.com to learn more.

11. ADJOURN: