

NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021, @ 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS



CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: DUSTIN SUIRE

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 COMMENT:

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

- a. Acceptance of the minutes of October 19, 2021 as published on November 5, 2021.

3. PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:

- a. Mike Francis, Public Service Commissioner, to address the Council regarding utility rate increases.
- b. Ellen Mullen & Zack Mitchell to address the Council and advise that Immaculee Ilibagiza will be speaking at West End Park on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. & will also host a retreat on Friday December 10, 2021 from 5:00-9:00 p.m., and Saturday, December 11, 2021, 8:00-12:00.
- c. Stephen Ettiene, James Russell, and Gerald Trahan to address the Council and discuss National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week.

4. PUBLIC HEARING:

- a. **Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2021-16:** Granting a one-year extension of the franchise granted to Louisiana Water Company by the City of New Iberia by Ordinance No. 2001-591.
- b. **Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2021-17:** Authorizing a one-year extension of the water Service Agreement between Louisiana Water Company and City of New Iberia.
- c. **Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2021-18:** Authorizing the City of New Iberia, through the office of the Mayor, to purchase and or expropriate Parcel No. 0504824000, 1-45 x 90 Coleman, Bowman, Ferguson. Ferguson, under and in accordance with La R.S. 47:2236.

5. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION:

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6. RESOLUTIONS:

- a. **Resolution 21-137:** Authorizing New Iberia (Herein referred to as this “Governmental Unit”) to join with the State of Louisiana and other local governmental units as a participant in the Louisiana State-Local Government Opioid Litigation Memorandum of Understanding (the “MOU”) and any subsequent formal agreements necessary to implement the MOU, including but not limited to, the subdivision settlement participation form(s) in Exhibit K of the *Distributor Settlement Agreement* and the *Janssen Settlement Agreement*.
- b. **Resolution 21-138:** Approving traffic safety signs urging drivers to stop giving to people in the roadways and authorizing the mayor to place signage on various roadways around the City of New Iberia.
- c. **Resolution 21-139:** Approving signage urging citizens to stop littering and authorizing the Mayor to post signage on various roadways around the City of New Iberia.
- d. **Resolution 21-140:** Authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract between the City of New Iberia and Berard, Habetz, and Associates, Inc. for design and engineering services on the Lewis Street Mill and Overlay Project.
- e. **Resolution 141:** Authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract between the City of New Iberia and Braun Intertec for professional geotechnical services associated with the asphalt overlay portion of the City of New Iberia Streets Project.
- f. **Resolution 142:** Approving Change Order No. 3 in the Re-roofing of the 911 Facility and Sliman Theatre Project and authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all contracts and documentation in connection therewith.

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

- a. **Introduction of Special Ordinance No. 2021-2022-02:** Amending the budget to account for additional one percent general increase for all City employees (Amendment #1).
- b. **Introduction of Special Ordinance No. 2021-2022-03:** Amending the budget to account for donation of funds to be used at Acadian Ball Park (Amendment #2).
- c. **Introduction of Ordinance 2021-19:** Approving a lease contract between the City of New Iberia and Teche Area Youth Baseball Association Inc. for use of Acadian Ball Park.

8. PROPERTY STANDARDS:

- a. Jimmy Landry to discuss dilapidated and dangerous condition of properties at the following locations:
 - 1. 1524 Crestwell (District 3)
 - 2. Dautreuil Alley (District 5)
 - 3. 416 Field Street (District 5)

4. 808 Lombard Street (District 2)
5. 317 W. Pershing Street (District 5)
6. 608 Providence Street (District 5)
7. 713 Providence Street (District 5)
8. 1516 Rogers Street (District 3)
9. 510 W. St Peter Street (District 5)
10. 705 Walton Street (District 5)

9. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

10. **COUNCIL REMARKS:**

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a) The next regularly scheduled city council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021.
- b) Reminder to council and citizens to participate in the MS4 Storm Water Survey at www.cityofnewiberia.com under Public Works section.
- c) **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.

12. **ADJOURN:**