

NEW IBERIA CITY COUNCIL
AMENDED MEETING AGENDA
APRIL 15, 2025, @ 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 Warren White
_____ Councilmember Troy Comeaux _____ Councilmember David Merrill
_____ Councilmember Ron Davis _____ Councilmember Dan Doerle

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON):

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

- a. Regular meeting of April 1, 2025, which were published on April 9, 2025.

3. PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:

- a. Dean and Catherine Wattigny to announce the 2025 Bayou Side Run as well as Mental Health Awareness Month.

4. ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

- a. **Ordinance No. 2025-07:** An Ordinance authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a lease agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and CopyNet, LLC for the lease of a copy machine for the Public Works Department
- b. **Ordinance No. 2025-08:** A Resolution authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a Rights-of-Way Use Agreement with Optimum for fiber internet services in the City of New Iberia

5. RESOLUTIONS:

- a. **Resolution No. 25-42:** A Resolution appointing Lizabeth Clarke to the Squirrel Run Levee and Drainage District for the remainder of a four-year term created by the expiration of term of Lizabeth Clarke
- b. **Resolution No. 25-43:** A Resolution awarding contract to NCMC, LLC for the Jean Street Pump Station Project and authorizing the mayor to execute any and all documentation in connection therewith
- c. **Resolution No. 25-44:** A Resolution accepting the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report and setting acting to maintain permit requirements
- d. **Resolution No. 25-45:** A Resolution authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a Master Professional Services Agreement by and between the City of New Iberia and Compliance Envirosystems, LLC for sanitary sewer evaluation services
- e. **Resolution No. 25-46:** A Resolution authorizing the mayor to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement by and between the City of New Iberia, Iberia Parish Sewerage District No. 1, and AssureCo Risk Management and Regulatory Compliance, LLC d/b/a MunicipalH20 related to services at the Sucrose Drive Wastewater Treatment Plant
- f. **Resolution No. 25-47:** A Resolution awarding 6-month bids for supplies
- g. **Resolution No. 25-48:** A Resolution declaring April as “Fair Housing Month” in the City of New Iberia
- h. **Resolution No. 25-49:** A Resolution declaring the attached list of properties to be in a dangerous and dilapidated condition, authorizing their inclusion in the FY 2023 LCDBG

Clearance Program (Phase II) and further authorizing the mayor to execute agreements with property owners in connection therewith, contingent upon clean title search

- i. **Resolution No. 25-50:** 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, March 29, 2025, to authorize the levy of a sales and use tax therein.

- j. **Resolution No. 25-51:** A Resolution authorizing the publication of notice of the filing of a petition for annexation filed by Hebert Family Estate, LLC, et als, for annexation of an approximately 24.45 acres

6. **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

- a. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2025-09:** An ordinance providing for the levy within the City of New Iberia, State of Louisiana, effective July 1, 2025, of a 0.25% sales and use tax (the "Tax") upon the sale at retail, the use, the consumption, the distribution, the storage for use or consumption, and the lease or rental of tangible personal property, and the lease or rental of tangible personal property or digital products within the City, and upon sales of services in the City, and for the assessment, collection, payment thereof and the dedication of the proceeds of said Tax and the purpose for which the proceeds of the Tax may be expended, said Tax having been authorized at a special election held in the City on March 29, 2025, and setting for public hearing on May 6, 2025.
- b. **Introduction of Ordinance No. 2025-10:** An Ordinance enlarging the boundaries of the City of New Iberia, Louisiana and amending the Charter of the City of New Iberia and setting for public hearing on May 6, 2025

7. **FINANCE REPORTS:**

- a. Babette Lastrapes to present monthly budget to actual report for November 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025.

8. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

9. **COUNCIL REMARKS:**

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. The next regularly scheduled city council meeting will be held on May 6, 2025.
- 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:**

Any member of the public with an ADA-recognized disability may submit a request to provide comment remotely on any agenda item via electronic means. For more information, please contact the City Clerk at cityclerk@cityofnewiberia.com or (337)369-2300.