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Notice Posted: September 8, 2023 @ 1:30 p.m.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held as follows:

**DATE: Wednesday, September 13, 2023**

**TIME: 5:00 p.m.**

**PLACE OF MEETING:** City of Opelousas Municipal Plaza Council Chambers, 105 N. Main Street, Opelousas, Louisiana 70570.

This meeting is also available for live-stream viewing on [www.cityofopelousas.com](http://www.cityofopelousas.com). Archived/Recorded videos of the meetings can be viewed on the Historic Opelousas Facebook page.

### AGENDA:

#### REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call.
2. Observe Moment of Silent Meditation.
3. Prayer by Rev. Joel Greene, Jr.
4. Pledge to U.S. Flag to be designated.
5. Approve Minutes:
  - (a) Regular Meeting held 06/13/2023, (b) Regular Meeting held 07/11/2023, (c) Regular Meeting held 08/08/2023, and (d) Special Meeting held 08/16/2023.
6. Adoption of Agenda.
  - Three-minute recess for submission of public comments/questions.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Presentation by Ms. Lavonya Malveaux to present Miss Bailey Willis, 65<sup>th</sup> Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet.
- Presentation by Mr. Van Reed with St. Landry Parish Emergency Preparedness Office concerning the Temporary Housing and Shelter Program.
- COVID-19 Update from Opelousas General Health Systems (OGHS) representative.
- Updates/Presentation by Mayor Julius Alsandor.
- Reading of Public Comments/Questions, if any.

### REPORTS

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS: General Services Committee Meeting.
8. Review Monthly Finances.
9. Public Works Director's Report.
10. Engineer's Monthly Report.
11. City Attorney's Report.

### OLD BUSINESS

12. *No Items Submitted.*

### NEW BUSINESS

13. Consider approval of request by subdivision lot owners to be allowed to use Golf Carts in Clos du Bois Subdivision.
14. Grant Authority to advertise for a public hearing to consider condemnation/demolition of the following:
  - (a) Michael B. Benoit & Linda Edwards Benoit (Wife), 400 Sylvia Street (Burned Brick Structure)
  - (b) St. Landry Parish Police Jury, Early Charles Jr. (T/S), 812 E. Blanchard Street (Abandoned Brick Structure)
15. Discuss J S Clark Leadership Academy – Tiffanie Lewis' request for pre-approval of SITE PLAN in a C1 ZONE (COMMERCIAL 1 ZONE) to construct a new School located at Hwy 357 @ Coyote Lane.
16. Discuss Opelousas Hotel Group LLC's request for CONDITIONAL USE approval in a C2 ZONE (COMMERCIAL 2 ZONE) to sell Alcoholic Beverages at their hotel located at 1700 Commerce Boulevard.

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**NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

17. Discuss Khan Enterprises of Opelousas – Vape and Roll's request for VARIANCE approval in an NMU ZONE (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE ZONE) to open and operate a Convenience Store at 1901 S. Union Street.
18. Discuss Angela Clennon – Ivy League Cosmo Academy's request for VARIANCE approval in a C1 ZONE (COMMERCIAL 1 ZONE) to open a Vocational School at the property located at 1709 W. Vine Street.
19. Discuss Roderick Charles – My Little Angels Paradise's request for VARIANCE approval in a PUD (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) to use a building on the property to operate a Child Day Care Center at the property located at 2059 Anna Lee Street.
20. Discuss Gulf South Signs – Chick-fil-A's request for VARIANCE approval in a C1 ZONE (COMMERCIAL 1 ZONE) for the following at the property located at 1119 E. Landry Street:
  - (a) To add two additional wall signs
  - (b) Increase of 4.20 sq. ft. on one sign
21. Approve Contract Change Order No. 1 in the increase amount of \$12,594.00 for the installation of a valve necessary to isolate filter backwash pump station from influent force main for correction of discharge piping mis-alignment. This valve will allow for ease of maintenance and replacement of discharge piping and pumps in the future. This change order is for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, LAWSP10259, MGA Project STP#85. (Contractor: Trek, Inc.)
22. Approve Contract Change Order No. 2 in the increase amount of \$3,135.00 for the replacement of a faulty control board in the existing electrical control panel necessary for the operation of the filter backwash pumps that are being replaced in this project. This change order is for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, LAWSP10259, MGA Project STP#85. (Contractor: Trek, Inc.)
23. Approve Contract Change Order No. 1 in the increase amount of \$12,709.78 for Roof Drain Repair - Roof drains beneath sidewalk were not visible prior to construction. Contractor broke the clay drain pipes during sidewalk removal, and will replace with PVC to extend through face of new sidewalk. This change order is for U.S. 190: Market - Court, Sidewalks Project, MGA Project S#480. (Contractor: Briggs Brothers Enterprises Corporation)
24. Approve Contract Change Order No. 2 in the increase amount of \$21,347.05 for Catch Basin Repair - New concrete wall is needed to brace existing brick wall that has some structural damage. This change order is for U.S. 190: Market - Court, Sidewalks Project, MGA Project S#480. (Contractor: Briggs Brothers Enterprises Corporation)

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

25. *No Items Submitted.*

**CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

26. AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 4 OF 1998 FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING INTO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS CERTAIN PROPERTY AND CHANGING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY (J. S. CLARK – TIFFANIE LEWIS).

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

27. A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 4 OF 1998 FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING INTO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS CERTAIN PROPERTY AND CHANGING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY (J. S. CLARK – TIFFANIE LEWIS).

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES (VOTE REQUIRED)**

28. ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 4 OF 1998 FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING INTO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS CERTAIN PROPERTY AND CHANGING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY (J. S. CLARK – TIFFANIE LEWIS).

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**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

29. ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO (OPT-IN/OPT-OUT) OF THE EXPEDITED TEMPORARY HOUSING ASSISTANCE WAIVER FOR LAND USE FOR THE YEAR 2023-2024.
30. ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF NEUTRAL GROUND AREA FOR CHURCH PUMPKIN PATCH.
31. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL FUNDING AND AMEND THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND DOTD FOR U.S. 190: MARKET - COURT, SIDEWALKS PROJECT, MGA PROJECT S#480.
32. ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR JULIUS ALSANDOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND THE CITY OF OPELOUSAS FOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS AND UPGRADES (FP&C PROJECT NO. 50-MM6-23-01).

**CONSENT AGENDA (PERSONNEL)**

33. Approve Police Communications Officer Yakita Cane's Extended Sick Leave, effective 05/27/2023.
34. Accept Assistant Police Chief Joseph Scott Aymond's Retirement, effective 09/01/2023, and approve payment in the amount of \$92,125.02 for 1,613 hours of unused annual leave and 5.5 hours of unused compensatory time.
35. Accept Police Records Clerk Carolyn Thomas-Sibley's Retirement, effective 09/01/2023, and approve payment in the amount of \$13,237.98 for 602 hours of unused annual leave.
36. Approve Permanent Police Major Mark A. Guidry's Probational Promotion to Probational Assistant Police Chief, effective 09/03/2023.
37. Approve Permanent Police Captain Craig A. Thomas' Probational Promotion to Probational Police Major, effective 09/03/2023.
38. Approve Permanent Police Officer First Class Jeremy J. Bias's Probational Promotion to Probational Police Sergeant, effective 09/03/2023.
39. Approve Permanent Police Officer First Class Derek D. Garrick's Probational Promotion to Probational Police Sergeant, effective 09/03/2023.
40. Approve Permanent Police Officer First Class Michael L. Hidalgo's Probational Promotion to Probational Police Sergeant, effective 09/03/2023.
41. Approve Tyrone Abrams' Provisional Appointment as a Provisional Police Officer, effective 09/03/2023. This appointment, if not terminated sooner, shall terminate on 12/03/2023 (3 months).
42. Approve Police Records Clerk Dana L. Castille's request for Annual Leave, effective 09/04/2023. Termination date of leave is pending retirement.
43. Approve Secretary to the Police Chief Myrina A. Foster's request for Annual Leave, effective 09/04/2023. Termination date of leave is pending retirement.
44. Accept Permanent Police Sergeant Meddrick J. Pickens' Resignation, effective 09/09/2023, and approve payment in the amount of \$5,390.82 for 195 hours of unused annual leave and 6 hours of unused compensatory time.
45. Approve Probational Police Lieutenant Loretta Etienne's Extended Sick Leave and Interruption of Working Test Period, effective 09/18/2023.
46. Approve Permanent Police Sergeant Paul B. Cortez's Substitute Appointment to Substitute Police Lieutenant for 30 days or more in order to temporarily replace Police Lieutenant Loretta Etienne who is on Extended Sick Leave.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- *No Items Submitted.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

Anyone desiring to comment on an item on the agenda is encouraged to send comments as soon as practicable prior to the meeting. Comments may be submitted as follows:

(a) Via Telephone at (337) 948-2520; Via Facsimile at (337) 948-2593; or Via E-mail at [landerson@cityofopelousas.com](mailto:landerson@cityofopelousas.com)

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