

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of St. George, State of Louisiana, held on Tuesday, August 27, 2024, 5:00 pm at the St. George City Hall, 14100 Airline Hwy, St. George, LA 70817

Present:

Mayor D. Yates

Councilman R. Heck

Councilwoman P. Cook

Councilman M. Himmel

Councilman R. Edmonds

Councilman S. Monachello

Preliminary Business:

1. Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting, August 13, 2024, were approved by the council.
Motion to approve: M. Himmel, seconded by R. Edmonds
Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, M. Himmel, S. Monachello
Nay: None
2. Senator Rick Edmonds presented certificates from the La Senate to the Council, Mayor and Police Chief.
3. Chief Rusty Shultz and Chief Chad Roberson presented an update on the city's Emergency Management Program

Introduction of Ordinances with Public Hearing to be held on Sept 10, 2024

1. Resolution to approve contract for Building Inspection Services and Planning Review Services, effective October 1, 2024
2. Ordinance to enact Title 26 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Alcohol Beverages and to provide for related matters
3. Ordinance to enact Part II, Chapter 7, Title 1 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and to provide for related matters

Introduction of Ordinances with Public Hearing to be held on September 24, 2024

1. Ordinance to enact Chapter 22 of Title 9 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Cable and Video Franchise Fee and to provide for related matters

New Business (public Hearing & Action Items)

1. Publication Agreement between the City-Parish, City of St. George and Transition District

Deferred: No agreement in hand; written agreement from the Baton Rouge City Parish Government did not match what the original agreement was believed to be.

2. Resolution to Amend Resolution No. 2024-003 authorizing an election to levy and collect a 2% Sales and Use Tax for general municipal purposes and providing for related matters

The State Bond Commission requested Res 2024-003 be amended for clarification according to City Attorney Sheri Morris

Public comment: Malika Wyche, Shaunn Wyche, Drew Murrell, Monty McNutt

Motion to approve: R. Heck, seconded by S. Monachello

Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello

Nay: None

3. Resolution to Designate Hancock Whitney Bank as Fiscal Bank Agent and to provide for related matters

Public comment: Malika Wyche

Motion to approve: R. Edmonds, seconded by M. Himmel

Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello

Nay: None

4. Resolution to enact Protocol for Approving and Paying Invoices and to provide for related matters

Public comment: Chris Rials

Motion to approve: M. Himmel, seconded by P. Cook

Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello

Nay: None

5. Ordinance to enact Chapter 1 of Title 9 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Occupational Licenses and to provide for related matters

Public comment: Billy Aguillard

No Vote: this ordinance requires 3 public hearings so will be on agenda for the next two meetings.

6. Ordinance to enact Chapter 21 of Title 9 of the Code of Ordinances relative to insurance license premium tax and to provide for related matters
Public comment: Billy Aguillard

Motion to approve: R. Heck, seconded by M. Himmel

Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello

Nay: None

7. Ordinance to enact Chapters 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 of Title 8 of the Code of Ordinances relative to building permits and to provide for related matters
Public comment: Billy Aguillard, Drew Murrell

Motion to approve: R. Edmonds, seconded by S. Monachello

Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello

Nay: None

Other Business

Announcements:

The St. George Transition District Meeting is August 28, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

The first Home Rule Charter Commission meeting is August 28, 2024, from 6:00–9:00 p.m.

The next Regular Council Meeting is September 10, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Meeting minutes approved on Sept 17, 2024



Dustin Yates, Mayor

Attest:


_____ Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk