

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of St. George, State of Louisiana, held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 4:00 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 Special Council Meeting, July 23, 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. Mayor's Appointments were announced for the Board of Adjustments.
The appointees: Billy Aguillard, Laurie Marien, Jason McAllister, Bobby McKey and Travis Thornton
3. Mayor's Recommendation for selection of a Fiscal Agent Bank was announced as Hancock Whitney Bank following the work the Transition District did in vetting different fiscal agents.

Introduction of Ordinances with Public Hearing to be held on Aug 27, 2024

1. Ordinance to enact Chapter 1 of Title 9 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Occupational Licenses and to provide for related matters
2. Ordinance to Enact Chapter 21 of Title 9 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Insurance License Tax and to provide for related matters
3. 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

4. Ordinance to Enact Chapter 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of Title 8 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Building Permits and to provide for related matters

New Business (public Hearing & Action Items)

1. Council Appointments were announced for the Board of Adjustments. Christina Peck, Sheila Lewis and Braden Jones were appointed. 2 vacancies remain to be filled.

Motion to approve: P. Cook, seconded by S. Monachello

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

Nay: None

2. Council Appointments were announced for the Home Rule Charter Commission. Councilman Ryan Heck – Chair, Councilwoman Patty Cook - vice-chair, Norman Browning, Jason DeCuir, Josh Hoffpauir, Chris Meyer, Erin Monroe, Drew Murrell, Rubin Patel, Kimberly Plant, Gerry Tarleton were appointed.

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

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

Nay: None

3. Intergovernmental Agreement between the City-Parish, Animal Control and City of St. George for Animal Control Services

Public Comment: Shawn Wyche

Motion to approve: P. Cook, seconded by R. Edmonds

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

Nay: None

4. Ordinance to enact Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Municipal Organization and to provide for related matters

Public Comment: email from Danny Altazan was read into public record questioning clarity of Section 101.

Sheri Morris, City Attorney will change the language in Section 101 to change “incorporated On October 12, 2019” to read as “approved by voters on October 12, 2019” for clarity.

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

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

Nay: None

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

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

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

Nay: None

6. Ordinance to enact Chapter 2 of Title 1 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the Governing Body and Rules of Procedure and to provide for related matters

R. Edmonds noted that the City Council Meetings are now to be held at 5:00pm

Amendment by P. Cook to limit the meeting to 3 hours.

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

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

Nay: None

Motion to approve as amended: P. Cook, seconded by R. Edmonds

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

Nay: None

7. Ordinance to enact Chapter 3 of Title 1 of the Code of Ordinances relative to annexations and to provide for related matters

R. Heck made a motion to delete, no second

Motion to approve: P. Cook, seconded by S. Monachello

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

Nay: R. Heck

8. Ordinance to enact Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Code of Ordinances relative to payment for local charges and to provide for related matters

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

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

Nay: None

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

Amendment by P. Cook to match the terms under Section 501 to reflect the appropriate terms of 1 year, 2 years, 3 years & 4 years with dates of appointment.

Motion to approve amendment: P. Cook, seconded by R. Edmonds

Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello
Nay: None

Motion to approve as amended: R.Heck, seconded by M. Himmel
Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello
Nay: None

- 10.** Ordinance to enact Chapter 7 of Title 1 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Department of Public Works and to provide for related matters

Motion to approve: R. Heck, seconded by M. Himmel
Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello
Nay: None

- 11.** Ordinance to enact Title 5 relative to Law Enforcement and to provide for related matters

Motion to approve: R. Edmonds, seconded by S. Monachello
Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello
Nay: None

- 12.** Ordinance to enact the 2024-2025 Budget and to provide for related matters

Public Comment: Shaunn Wyche

Motion to approve: M. Himmel, seconded by P. Cook
Yea: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello
Nay: None

Other Business

Announcements:

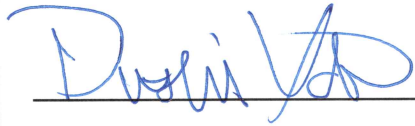
The St. George Transition District Meeting is August 12, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

The Council Redistricting Workshop is August 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

The next Regular Council Meeting is August 27, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. (note: new time)

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Meeting minutes approved on Aug 27, 2024



Dustin Yates, Mayor

Attest:



Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk