
August 12, 2024

The City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, met in regular session at its temporary location located at 1551 East Napoleon Street in the Council Chambers, Sulphur, Louisiana, on August 12, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., after full compliance with the convening of said meeting with the following members present:

DRU ELLENDER, Council Representative of District 1
NICK NEZAT, Council Representative of District 2
JOY ABSHIRE, Council Representative of District 4
MANDY THOMAS, Council Representative of District 5

ABSENT - MELINDA HARDY, Council Representative of District 3

After the meeting was called to order and the roll called with the above result, prayer was led by Mrs. Abshire followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Thomas.

The Chairman asked if there were any changes to the minutes of the previous meeting. With no changes made, motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the minutes stand as written.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was then made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Ellender that item #2 be deferred to the September Council meeting:

Public hearing on ordinance approving application for a borrow pit, not to exceed 70 acres, for KNI, LLC (Kevin Ashy) for property located on the west side of Prater Road, north of Hwy. 90.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was then made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the agenda stand as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

The first item on the agenda is a Certificate of Recognition to Darren Lucas. Rusty Naquin, Fire Chief, recognized Darren Lucas for his actions and bravery on June 7, 2024. Mr. Lucas made a choice to put his on personal safety aside to help rescue Mrs. Bright. Mrs. Bright was in her residence unaware that her home was on fire. Mr. Lucas was able to force entry and get her out of her home to safety. His decision that day changed the narrative that could have been. Mr. Naquin, on behalf of the Sulphur Fire Department, thanked Mr. Lucas for his actions and said he was a hero that day.

The next item on the agenda is an introduction of ordinance authorizing Mayor Mike Danahay to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Calcasieu Parish Police Jury for Tire Waste Recycling. Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the following ordinance be introduced:

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR MIKE DANAHAAY TO ENTER INTO A
COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CALCASIEU PARISH POLICE JURY
FOR TIRE WASTE RECYCLING.**

Motion was then made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the said ordinance be filed and remain on file with the Clerk of the Council, in final form, for public inspection and that the Mayor is hereby authorized and instructed to publish the Public Notice of Introduction of the above proposed ordinance in the “American Press”, the official journal of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, and that the said Notice of Introduction of the above ordinance is substantially in the following form:

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with Section 2-12B of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Sulphur, the following ordinance:

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR MIKE DANAHAAY TO ENTER INTO A
COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CALCASIEU PARISH POLICE JURY
FOR TIRE WASTE RECYCLING.**

A public hearing on said ordinance will be held at 5:30 p.m. on the 9th day of September, 2024, in the Council Chambers at their temporary location, 1551 East Napoleon Street, Sulphur, Louisiana.

CITY OF SULPHUR, LOUISIANA

BY: _____
NICK NEZAT, Chairman

Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda is a resolution awarding low bid for the reconstruction of Animal Control. Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the following resolution be adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 3601, M-C SERIES

Resolution awarding low bid received for the reconstruction of Animal Control.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, the governing authority thereof, that bids for the reconstruction of Animal Control were opened and read aloud in an open and public bid session on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. and bids were as follows:

BIDDER**TOTAL BASE BID AMOUNT**

K&J Development of SWLA, LLC	\$323,000.00
Shannon Smith Construction, LLC	\$323,000.00
Sam Istre Construction, Inc.	\$341,900.00
31 Construction, LLC	\$346,513.61
Gunter Construction, Inc.	\$389,000.00
Prestige Construction Group, LLC	\$399,750.00
Hackley Enterprises, LLC	\$400,000.00
Trahan Construction, LLC	\$495,000.00

A review of the bid summary reveals that there was a tie between K&J Development of SWLA, LLC and Shannon Smith Construction, LLC for the lowest responsible bidder with a Total Base Bid of \$323,000.00. This amount provides a competitive and reasonable cost for performing the work called for in the plans and specifications.

In accordance with Louisiana Public Bid Law RS 48:255 Subsection 6, a meeting was scheduled and held August 7, 2024, at the office of Meyer and Associates to conduct the flipping of a coin to serve as the tie breaker. Representatives from K&J Development of SWLA, LLC, Shannon Smith Construction, LLC, Meyer and the City of Sulphur were in attendance where K&J Development of SWLA, LLC was the successful company of the flipping of the coin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council does hereby accept the recommendation of Mayor Mike Danahay and award the bid for the reconstruction of Animal Control as follows (contingent upon receipt of the 10 Day Forms):

BIDDER**TOTAL BASE BID AMOUNT**

K&J Development of SWLA, LLC	\$323,000.00
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BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Mike Danahay is authorized to sign all paperwork in connection therewith.

BE IT ALSO FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective upon the Mayor's signature.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Nezat, Mrs. Abshire, Mrs. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Hardy

And the said resolution was declared duly adopted on this 12th day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NICK NEZAT, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a awarding the Request for Proposals for Water Meter Program (Phase I). Mr. Abrahams, Director of Public Works, stated that only 1 Proposal was turned in. Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the following resolution be adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 3602, M-C SERIES

Resolution awarding the Request for Proposals for Water Meter Program
(Phase I).

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, the governing authority thereof, that proposals for Water Meter Program (Phase 1) were opened on Friday, August 9, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. and proposals were as follows:

<u>PROPOSER</u>	<u>Score</u>
Core & Main	92
Vanguard Utility Services	N/A
Ferguson Waterworks	N/A
RP Construction LLC	N/A
Gunter Construction, Inc.	N/A
Southern Pipe & Supply	N/A

During evaluation, each proposal was given a score based on the following:

1. *Price – 30%*
2. *Meet the System Qualifications – 30%*
3. *Local Service and Support – 30%*
4. *Warranty – 10%*

Total – 100%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council does hereby accept the recommendation of Mayor Mike Danahay and award the proposal for Water Meter Program (Phase I).as follows:

<u>PROPOSER</u>	<u>Score</u>
Core & Main	92

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Mike Danahay is authorized to sign all paperwork in connection therewith.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Nezat, Mrs. Abshire, Mrs. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mrs. Hardy

And the said resolution was declared duly adopted on this 12th day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NICK NEZAT, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a resolution awarding low bid received for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement (Hurricane Laura damages).

Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the following resolution be adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 3603, M-C SERIES

Resolution awarding low bid received for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement (Hurricane Laura damages).

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, the governing authority thereof, that bids for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement (Hurricane Laura damages) were opened and read aloud in an open and public bid session on Thursday, August 8, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. and bids were as follows:

CONTRACTOR

BASE BID AMOUNT

Kaough & Jones Co., Inc.	\$3,089,900.00
Ernest P. Breaux Electrical, LLC	\$3,324,400.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council does hereby accept the recommendation of Mayor Mike Danahay and award the bid for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement as follows (subject to availability of increased budget funding and receipt of the 10 Day Forms):

CONTRACTOR

BASE BID AMOUNT

Kaough & Jones Co., Inc.	\$3,089,900.00
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BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Mike Danahay is authorized to sign all paperwork in connection therewith.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Nezat, Mrs. Abshire, Mrs. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Hardy

And the said resolution was declared duly adopted on this 12th day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NICK NEZAT, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a resolution awarding low bid for annual supply of chlorine. Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the following resolution be adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 3604, M-C SERIES

Resolution awarding low bid for the annual supply of Chlorine.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, the governing authority thereof, that bids for annual supply of Chlorine were opened and read aloud in an open and public bid session on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. and bids were as follows:

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>UNIT COST</u>	<u>EXTENSION</u>
PVS DX, INC.	\$1.1245 PER/LB	\$123,695.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council does hereby accept the recommendation of Mayor Mike Danahay and award the bid for the annual supply of Chlorine as follows:

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>UNIT COST</u>	<u>EXTENSION</u>
PVS DX, INC.	\$1.1245 PER/LB	\$123,695.00

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Mike Danahay is authorized to sign all paperwork in connection therewith.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Nezat, Mrs. Abshire, Mrs. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Hardy

And the said resolution was declared duly adopted on this 12th day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NICK NEZAT, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a resolution appointing a member to the Fire and Police Civil Service Board. Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the following resolution be adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 3605, M-C SERIES

Resolution appointing a member to the Sulphur Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, the governing authority thereof, that they do hereby appoint Bryan Bates to the Sulphur Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board with term to expire on July 29, 2027.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Nezat, Mrs. Abshire, Mrs. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Hardy

And the said resolution was declared duly adopted on this 12th day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NICK NEZAT, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a Rule to Show Cause for the condition of the following addresses:

To condemn building or structure located at 1404 Peachtree Road, in accordance with Article IX, Section 5-286 through 5-296 of the Code of Ordinances.

Mrs. Abshire stated that Ordinance Enforcement and the Inspection Department have been working very hard on this address. Their extensions are based on how much work is done. She asked the Council to review this address again in September since they've made a lot of progress on the home. Motion was then made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Ellender that the above address be placed on the September 9, 2024, City Council agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda is an Extension for temporary housing in recreational vehicles due to damage caused by Hurricane Laura for the following address:

- a. To extend temporary housing in a recreational vehicle located at 1033 West Verdine Street, in accordance with Ordinance No. 1694, M-C Series.

Mrs. Ellender stated that she has received many complaints on this address. Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Ellender that the above address be granted an extension:

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: None

NAYS: Mrs. Ellender, Mr. Nezat, Mrs. Abshire, Mrs. Thomas

ABSENT: Mrs. Hardy

And the above address failed on getting an extension on this 12th day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NICK NEZAT, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a Condemnation of Structures in accordance with Chapter 5, Section 289 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sulphur for the condition of the following addresses as a result of Hurricanes Laura and Delta (PPDR properties):

PRIMARY STRUCTURES

- a. To condemn building or structure located at 1005 Live Oak Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- b. To condemn building or structure located at 1400 LeBlanc Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- c. To condemn building or structure located at 1406 LeBlanc Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Thomas seconded by Mrs. Abshire that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- d. To condemn building or structure located at 1505 Garth Drive.

Motion was made by Mrs. Thomas seconded by Mrs. Abshire that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- e. To condemn building or structure located at 214 Pine Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- f. To condemn building or structure located at 220 Avelia Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Thomas seconded by Mrs. Abshire that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- g. To condemn building or structure located at 2476 St. Rose Ave.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Abshire that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- h. To condemn building or structure located at 316 Landry Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

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- i. To condemn building or structure located at 318 Vincent Lane.

Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- j. To condemn building or structure located at 608 South Crocker Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- k. To condemn building or structure located at 621 Mustang Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- l. To condemn building or structure located at 644 Maple Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- m. To condemn building or structure located at 822 North Huntington Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- n. To condemn building or structure located at 916 Lilliput Lane.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

SECONDARY STRUCTURES

- a. To condemn building or structure located at 2218 North Rose Park Avenue.

Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Ellender that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- b. To condemn building or structure located at 26 East End Avenue.

Motion was made by Mrs. Thomas seconded by Mrs. Ellender that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- c. To condemn building or structure located at 608 South Crocker Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Thomas seconded by Mrs. Ellender that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

- d. To condemn building or structure located at 814 Mackey Street.

Motion was made by Mrs. Thomas seconded by Mrs. Ellender that the above address be condemned.
Motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda is Rule to Show Cause for the condition of the following addresses:

- a. To condemn building or structure located at 751 South Crocker Street, in accordance with Article IX, Section 5-286 through 5-296 of the Code of Ordinances.

Mrs. VanderHey, Ordinance Enforcement, stated that this property had already been condemned in June, but it was resold to a family member and now it has to be condemned again. Motion was made by Mrs. Ellender seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the above address be condemned.

Motion carried unanimously.

- b. To condemn building or structure located at 933 Elm Street, in accordance with Article IX, Section 5-286 through 5-296 of the Code of Ordinances.

Mrs. VanderHey stated that this address was on the PPDR (Personal Property Debris Removal) but it was denied since it wasn't their primary structure. Motion was made by Mrs. Abshire seconded by Mrs. Ellender that the above address be condemned.

Motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda is Public Comment. Mayor Danahay stated that National Night Out was a successful event and thanked everyone for participating.

Mrs. Ellender stated that her daughter recently had twins and the little girl passed away. The surviving boy weighed 1 lb. 5 oz. Please keep the entire family in your thoughts and prayers.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NICK NEZAT, Chairman

8/12/24
6:02 P.M.