



Mayor Pro Tem Depreo
Councilmember L'Ecuyer At-Large
Councilmember Moran Ward 2
Councilmember Morgan Ward 3
Councilmember Clark Ward 4

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, September 01, 2020

6:00 PM CST

Council Chambers, City Hall

Call to Order.

Mayor Pro Tem Depreo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation Councilmember Morgan

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Depreo

Ward 2 Alan Moran

Ward 3 Jamie Morgan

Ward 4 Charles Clark

Councilmember-At-Large Lindsay L'Ecuyer

Confirm or Adjust Agenda Order

Motion made by Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer, Seconded by Ward 3 Morgan to accept and approve the agenda.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Presentation Agenda.

Council Comments.

- a. The next Regular scheduled meeting of the City Council will Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. CST in Council Chamber at City Hall located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle.
- b. City Hall will be closed Monday, September 7th in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.
- c. Paddle Paradise, the City's first kayak event, will be held September 26, 2020 beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Vaught Circle Kayak Launch.
- d. Legislative Update
Senator Phillip Moran
Representative Jay McKnight

City Manager's Report.

1. I want to personally thank Senator Moran and Representative McKnight for all your hard work in Jackson in representing the residents of Diamondhead. It is a pleasure to work with both of you. The city was awarded \$1.9 million from our State legislature this session for projects related to the new Town Center Development, including the access roads to the mixed-use commercial district and waterfront district. Thank you.
2. Comprehensive Plan – The work on our new comprehensive plan is moving along. We encourage all residents to participate in this year long process. We want to hear from you as we plan for the future of our city. There is a website at www.envisiondiamondhead2040.com. Residents can sign up for the newsletter to stay informed, review work in progress, and can provide comments to the planners. The next scheduled visit will be the last week in September.
3. Street Paving – Phase II of the street paving project is scheduled to be completed this week. This year your council has paved over 11 miles of streets.
4. Kayak Event – The first kayak event in Diamondhead will be Saturday, September 26 at the Diamondhead Marina. It is called Paddle Paradise. This will be a free event, and everyone is invited to participate. If you do not own a kayak, you can contact Bodega in Bay St. Louis to rent a kayak. The first 100 participants to register the morning of the event will receive a free t-shirt and goody bag. We would like to thank our co-sponsor for this event, Paddle the Gulf. The paddle will begin at 9:30am. After the paddle, there will be a band with food and drinks available for sale at the Lazy Gator. The public is invited to watch from the Lazy Gator if you want to support the participants.
5. Hurricane Relief Efforts: Rotary is collecting non-perishable food items and cleaning supplies for the victims of Hurricane Laura. Items can be dropped at the City Hall Gazebo and members of Rotary will pick up daily at 5pm. They are planning to bring supplies on Wednesday. As we learn of other opportunities to provides support locally, we will pass this onto our residents.
6. Mill Rate: I would like to recognize the council for taking the step to approve a reduction in our city millage from 34 to 29.5 for FY21. This means every property owner in Diamondhead will pay less in city taxes next year.

Public Comments on Agenda Items. None.

Policy Agenda.**Minutes:**

5. Motion to approve August 18, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Ward 3 Morgan, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark, to approve August 18, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark,
Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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Ordinances:

6. **2020-214:** Motion to deny petition by Ms. Tammy Simms Fields for a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 4.6.5E iii) to allow an existing carport recently constructed within 3'1" of the rear property line. The edge of the roof is 32" from the rear property line. The case file number is 202000223. The Planning Commission voted 3 to 2 against the variance resulting in a denial of the requested variance.

Councilmember L'Ecuyer moved, seconded by Councilmember Clark to remove the variance filed by Ms. Tammy Fields from the table for discussion.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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Motion made by Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to deny petition by Ms. Tammy Simms Fields for a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 4.6.5E iii) to allow an existing carport recently constructed within 3'1" of the rear property line. The edge of the roof is 32" from the rear property line. The case file number is 202000223. The Planning Commission voted 3 to 2 against the variance resulting in a denial of the requested variance.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer. Voting Nay: None.

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Resolutions:

7. **2020-239:** Motion to ratify the proclamation of existence of a local emergency as of noon on August 23, 2020 due to Tropical Storm Marco and Tropical Storm Laura.

Motion made by Ward 3 Morgan, Seconded by Ward 2 Moran to ratify the proclamation of existence of a local emergency as of noon on August 23, 2020 due to Tropical Storm Marco and Tropical Storm Laura.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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8. **2020-251:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-054 thereby approving and adopting the FY2021 Budget as finally determined by the governing authority.

Motion made by Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer, Seconded by Ward 3 Morgan to adopt Resolution 2020-054 thereby approving and adopting the FY2021 Budget as finally determined by the governing authority.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. **2020-241:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-241 setting the Tax Levy for FY2021 at 29.5 mills.

Motion made by Ward 3 Morgan, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to adopt Resolution 2020-241 setting the Tax Levy for FY2021 at 29.5 mills.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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10. **2020-244:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-055 to adjudicate that the property located at 5569 Diamondhead Drive East (parcel number 131D-2-13-054.000) is in a state of uncleanliness or a menace to the public health, safety and general welfare of the community. Authorization to advertise for bids and/or obtain quotes to perform the necessary services to cut the grass, trim overgrown shrubs and clean the property.

Mayor Pro Tem Depreo called on three occasions for William Stafford or represent thereof to present. With no response, motion made by Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer, seconded by Ward 3 Morgan to adopt Resolution 2020-055 to adjudicate that the property located at 5569 Diamondhead Drive East (parcel number 131D-2-13-054.000) is in a state of uncleanliness or a menace to the public health, safety and general welfare of the community. Authorization to advertise for bids and/or obtain quotes to perform the necessary services to cut the grass, trim overgrown shrubs and clean the property. William Stafford property owner.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to approve agenda items 11-14 by consent:

11. **2020-242:** Motion to approve payments to James J. Chiniche for professional services in the amount of \$945 for Shephard's Square, \$1,965 for Ieke Drainage and \$1,512.50 for East Aloha Improvements Design Phase 1.
12. **2020-238:** Motion to adopt Budget Amendments 2020-038 thru 2020-041 and 2021-001.
13. **2020-243:** Motion to approve Interfund Loans for grant and transfers of local matching funds.
14. **2020-246:** Motion to approve compensation for September 15, 2020 Special Election poll workers, managers, and others

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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Action Agenda.

- 15. **2020-245:** Motion to concur with the Planning Commission and thereby approve the variance to allow the construction of a roof over a patio within 9.7' of the rear property line at 7321 Analii Street. Case file number 202000277.

Motion made by Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer, Seconded by Ward 2 Moran to discuss Case file number 202000277

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

Routine Agenda.

Claims Payable

Motion made by Ward 3 Morgan, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to approve the following agenda items:

- 16. Motion to approve the Docket of Claims (DKT157494 - DKT157522) in the amount of \$52,425.86.
- 17. Motion to approve Payroll Payables DKT157446-157458 in the amount of \$55,519.18, PRCLAIM056 in the amount of \$27,397.63, PRCLAIM055 in the amount of \$27,277.44, PRCLAIM054, \$3,011.54. PRCLAIM053 and \$28,700.35.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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Department Reports None.

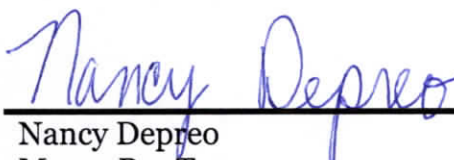
Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items. None.

Adjourn/Recess.

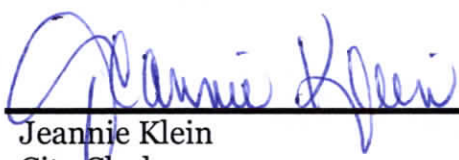
At 6:50 p.m. and with no further business to come before the Council, motion made by Ward 3 Morgan, seconded by Ward 2 Moran.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Depreo, Ward 2 Moran, Ward 3 Morgan, Ward 4 Clark, Councilmember-At-Large L'Ecuyer

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 Nancy Depreo
 Mayor Pro Tem



 Jeannie Klein
 City Clerk