**MINUTES**

**FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 13, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Mandeville City Council was called to order by Council Chairman Discon at 6:03pm, followed by a Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

**ROLL CALL-present:** Jason Zuckerman, Jill Lane, Cynthia Strong-Thompson, Kevin Vogeltanz, Scott Discon

**Absent**: None

**Also present**: Buster Lyons, Digital Engineering; Keith LaGrange, Public Works Director; Elizabeth Sconzert, City Attorney; Cara Bartholomew, Planning & Development Director; Clay Madden, Mayor

**PUBLIC COMMENT**: Chief Schliem spoke about his decision to ban parking on the parade route, citing the New Year’s Eve terrorist attack in New Orleans as a reason to be extra careful with security. Mayor Madden stated that Chief, Mr. LaGrange, and himself had met with the Krewe of Eve leadership to discuss safety when this recommendation was made, and the Eve leadership supported it. Tracy Elsensohn, 1379 Valmont St, agreed with the precaution.

Nicole Stanley, 154 Cindy Lou Pl, stated she saw both sides, but was worried about random vehicles driving through the gated communities. Claudine Perret, 171 Cindy Lou Pl, stated nothing keeps people from hiding things in port o lets or parking lots and that kids standing in the back of trucks on the parade routes were safer than if they were walking in roads.

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1. January 9, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes adopted on motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilwoman Lane and approved by all.

2. January 29, 2025 Quarterly Budget Meeting Minutes adopted on motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilwoman Lane and approved by all.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**:

1**. Introduction of Ordinance 25-05: AN ORDINANCE TO EFFECT THE ANNEXATION OF A CERTAIN PORTION OF LOT 3 AND LOT 4** SITUATED IN TOWN OF MANDEVILLE (OUTSIDE OF CORPORATE LIMITS), SECTION 46, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH RANGE 11 EAST INTO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE DESIGNATING AND ASSIGNING THE PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF ZONING AS B-2, HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICT AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH( Councilman Discon, At-Large)

2. **Introduction of Ordinance 25-06: AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AMENDING SECTION 2-6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES** FOR THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE REGARDING INDEMNITY OF CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (Jason Zuckerman, At-Large)

**REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR:**

Mayor Madden reminded about the Krewe of Eve parade on February 21, 2025 at 6pm, Flo Tribe in concert on March 21, 2025 at 6:30pm and that the yearly audit was pushed back a few days by the snow storm.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Joe Blanchard, American Cemetery Consultants- Mr. Blanchard went over the timeline to completion, stating they were still selling and were providing payment plans. Tracy Elsensohn, 1379 Valmont St, asked the prices and was told $6,000 for a crypt and $2500 for a niche.

2. Lisa McKenzie- Crawfish and Cornhole Tournament- absent

3. Lacey Osborne, St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce- gave statistics about the Chamber, stating their goal was to represent businesses and work with elected officials.

4. Desire Line- Update on Comprehensive Plan- Kara Dudek-Mizel gave an overview and timeline, stating the survey was open from 10/23/24-1/10/2025 and received 364 responses. The next steps are to draft and refine the goals and create the vision statement.

**PROJECTS IN PROGRESS REPORT, Keith LaGrange, Public Works Director:**

Mr. LaGrange gave a brief overview and status update of these projects: Lift Stations 42 (10t St.) & 43 (Libby Ln.) Upgrades, Lift Station 4 Upgrades (Foy St.), Golden Glen Water Main Rehab. Seawall Repair – Segment 1. Lift Station 13 (N. Causeway Blvd.), Lift Station 18 (Golden Glen) & Lift Station 37 (Sanctuary), Lift Station A (Montgomery St. @ Dupre St.) & Lift Station 27 (Mandeville High Blvd.), Old Golden Shores Drainage (Improvements North and South of Monroe), 2022 Roadway and Drainage Maintenance, 2021/2024 Water and Sewer Maintenance, 2022 Asphalt Maintenance, 2022 Striping Maintenance

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS:**

1**. Approval of the Special Event Permit Application for Claudine Perret**- “Old Golden Gras Neighborhood Party” event to be held on February 23, 2025 from 11:00am-7:00pm. Rain Date: N/A. Location: Copal St (Between Cindy Lou and Live Oak). Approval Requests: Street closure approval (detail for 1 Police Officer will be paid for) and barricade usage, contingent upon Council approval of location and Police detail secured. (Councilwoman McGuire, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Lane, second by Councilman Zuckerman, all in favor (Vogeltanz recused).

2. **Approval of the Special Event Permit Application and Liquor License for Reese Richards**- “Mandeville Mambo” event to be held on February 21, 2025 from 10:00am- 7:00pm. Rain Date: N/A Location: 1200 West Causeway Approach Parking Area (see map). Approval Request: Permission to apply for ATC permit, contingent upon ATC permit, applicant secures 1 officer from the Sheriff’s Department and applicant secures barricades. (Councilwoman McGuire, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Lane, second by Councilman Zuckerman, all in favor.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Adoption of Ordinance 24-46**: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS** FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND PURCHASE OF A DRAINAGE AND ACCESS SERVITUDE ON LOTS 1&2, LEWISBURG SUBDIVISION, CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (Councilman Vogeltanz, District 2) This is for a servitude agreement to enlarge and relocate a pipe on private property. Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilman Vogeltanz. With little discussion, this passed with a vote of 5-0.

**2**. **Adoption of Resolution 24-69**: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT** BETWEEN THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND **GREENLEAF ARCHITECTS, APAC**, FOR THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE, MANDEVILLE CITY HALL RENOVATIONS PROJECT AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (Councilman Zuckerman, At-Large) This is to change the (CMAR) contract signed in 2022 to a design bid build contract. Motion was made by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilwoman Lane. There was some discussion and it was passed with a vote of 5-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**:

1. **Approval of Change Order No. 3 for the 2022 Roadway & Drainage Maintenance Contract** adding new pay items X-018, no change in contract limit or time. (Councilman Discon, At-Large) Motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilman Vogeltanz, approved by all present. (Councilwoman Lane stepped out of room)

2**. Approval of change Order No. 5 for the 2022 Striping Maintenance Contract** adding an additional speed radar sign foundation, with no change in maximum contract amount or time. (Councilman Discon, At-Large Motion b y Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson and approved by all present. (Councilwoman Lane stepped out of room)

3. **Approval of Change Order No. 2 for the Golden Glen Water System Replacement Project** adding an additional 70 days to the time with the completion date of April 11, 2025. (Councilman Vogeltanz, District 2) Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilman Vogeltanz, approved by all present. (Councilman Zuckerman stepped out of room right before vote)

4. **Approval of Change Order No. 4 for the 2022 Asphalt Maintenance Contract** to add pay items 04-001-04-011, no change in the maximum contract time or amount. (Councilman Discon, At-Large)Motion by Councilman Vogeltanz, second by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, approved by all.

5**. Adoption of Resolution 25-02:** **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO.1** TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND **FAIRWAY CONSULTING + ENGINEERING** FOR LIFT STATIONS 13 (N. CAUSEWAY SERVICE RD. AND MONROE ST.), 18 (GOLDEN GLEN ON CORIN PARKWAY), 37 (SANCTUARY SUBDIVISION ON CARDINAL LN) UPGRADES PROJECT AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (Councilman Discon, At-Large) Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson and approved by all.

6. **Adoption of Resolution 25-03**: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO.4** TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH **FAIRWAY CONSULTING AND ENGINEERING,** **LLC** FOR THE GOLDEN GLEN WATER SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTIONTHEREWITHMotion by Councilman Zuckerman second by Councilwoman Lane and approved by all.

**CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION-** Motion by Councilman Vogeltanz, second by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson and approved by all to enter Executive Session at 8:23pm.

The Mandeville City Council is to call an executive session under La. R.S. 42:16 and La. R.S. 42:17 (A)(2) to discuss the following matter:

*Woodward Harbor, LLC  v. City of Mandeville,* 23-05824  (United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana)

Returned from Executive Session at 9:27pm

**ADJOURNMENT-** Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson and approved by all to adjourn at 9:28pm