**MINUTES**

**FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 27, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Mandeville City Council was called to order by Council Chairman Discon at 6:00pm, followed by a Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

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

**Absent**: Jill Lane

**Also present**: Buster Lyons, Digital Engineering; Keith LaGrange, Public Works Director; Elizabeth Sconzert, City Attorney; Jessica Farno, Finance Director ; Clay Madden, Mayor

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Glen Runyon, 408 Venus Dr, spoke about the City’s finances, citing a slow down in the economy.

**MINUTES:**

1.February 13, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes adopted on motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilman Vogeltanz, with all present in favor.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**:

1. **Introduction of Ordinance 25-04**:**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF ANY MOTORIZED CONVEYANCE ON SIDEWALKS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS, AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS. (**Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, District 1)

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

Mayor Madden welcomed everyone, stated the no parking on the parade route for the Eve parade had gotten good feedback, announced the Krewe Du Pooch parade on March 15 and the first Trailhead concert on March 21st, with Flo Tribe.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Judge John Keller, District Judge 22nd JDC- Judge Keller spoke on the upcoming referendum for the sales tax extension and rededication. He explained that currently, expiring in 2031, there is a 2% tax already in effect that is dedicated to infrastructure. The referendum would reallocate up to 17% of those funds to support the criminal justice system (jails, District attorney’s office, Justice Center, etc.). He stated this would not raise taxes, just re-allocate a portion. This will be on the ballot on March 29, 2025.

2. Rep. Kim Carver- Rep. Carver spoke of the November 2024 session, specifically the tax rate deduction, making Louisiana the second lowest state for personal income tax.

3. Lisa McKenzie- Crawfish and Cornhole Tournament- spoke of the We Lift You Up Fund, a sisterhood for women battling breast cancer, and the You Night events coming up.

**FINANCE REPORT, Jessica Farno, City Finance Director:** Ms. Farno went over the budget by fund, citing budget to actuals.

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS:**

1. **Approval of the Special Event and Alcohol Permit Application for City of Mandeville**- “Mandeville Live” to be held Fridays (March 21, 2025- May 9, 2025) 6:30pm-8:30pm. Location: Mandeville Trailhead, Mandeville, La. Request: Approval to apply for ATC Alcohol permit Contingency: ATC permit (Councilwoman Lane, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilman Vogeltanz and approved by all present.

2. **Approval of the Special Event Permit and Request to Lift Ban on Food and Drinks on Lakefront for Susan Brady**- “Mandeville Family Reunion” to be held May 25, 2025 from 10:00am- 8:00pm Location: Mandeville Lakefront- stage near Lafayette st Request: Lift ordinance of food and drinks on lakefront Contingency: Approval of food and drinks on lakefront (Councilwoman Lane, District 3) Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilman Vogeltanz and approved by all present

3. **Approval of the Special Event Permit and Request to Lift Ban on Food and Drinks on** **Lakefront for Sherrard Crespo**- “Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Walk” to be held on April 12, 2025 from 7:30am- 11:30 pm. Location: Lakefront Harbo to Gazebo Walk Path Request: Lift ordinance of food and drinks on lakefront Contingency: Approval of food and drinks on lakefront. (Councilwoman Lane, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilman Vogeltanz and approved by all present

4. **Approval of the Special Event and Alcohol Permit Application for Mandeville Lion’s Club**- “Mandeville Food Truck Festival” to be held on May 10, 2025 from 4:00pm-8:00pm. Location: Private Property (Mandeville Lion’s Club) Request: Approval to apply for ATC Alcohol Permit. Contingency: ATC permit. (Councilwoman Lane, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilman Zuckerman and approved by all present

5. **Approval of the Special Event and Alcohol Permit Application and Parade Route Approval for Queer Northshore**- “Pride Northshore Parade” to be held on June 7, 2025 from 4:00pm-9:00pm. Location: Lakeshore Boat Launch to Trailhead (see map) Request: Approval to apply for ATC alcohol permit and parade route approval. Contingency: ATC permit and parade route approval (Councilwoman Lane, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilman Discon and approved by all present except Councilman Zuckerman (opposed).

6. **Approval of the Date Change for the Special Event Permit Application for Claudine Perret**- “Old Golden Gras Neighborhood Party” Event was approved on 2-13-25 and requires approval for a date change to 3-2-25 from 12:00pm-6:00pm Location: Copal St (Between Cindy Lou and Live Oak). Approval Requests: Date change to 3-2-25 (Councilwoman McGuire, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilman Discon and approved by all present except Councilman Vogeltanz (abstained).

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

 **NEW BUSINESS**:

1. **Approval of Liquor License**- Iceburg Charlie’s (Councilwoman Lane, District 3) Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilman Discon and approved by all present.

2.**Adoption of Ordinance 25-01:** **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 24-22, THE OPERATING BUDGET** OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (Councilwoman Lane, District 3) Motion by Councilwoman Strong-Thompson, second by Councilman Vogeltanz and passed by 4-1 vote (Councilwoman Lane absent).

3. **Adoption 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 (Councilman Zuckerman, At-Large) Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilman Vogeltanz and passed by 4-1 vote (Councilwoman Lane absent).

4. **Adoption of Resolution 25-04**: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO.1** TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MANDEVILLE AND **WAGGONER & BALL, LLC** AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (Councilman Zuckerman, At-Large) Motion by Councilman Zuckerman, second by Councilman Vogeltanz and approved by all present.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Motion by Councilman Vogeltanz, second by Councilman Zuckerman and approved by all present to adjourn at 7:56pm

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