

CITY OF GRETNA MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING



Second Street and Huey P. Long Avenue
Second Floor Council Chambers
Wednesday, October 14, 2009 - 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

TAB
NO.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

2. Opening Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

Orin D. Grant, Sr., Pastor - St. Paul Baptist Church, 1509 Monroe Street

3. Approval of previous month's minutes

September 2, 2009 Special meeting - Capital Outlay Review
September 9, 2009 Regular meeting

4. Presentations:

1. A resolution acknowledging the tragic and sudden loss of Richard "Rickie" Christiana, Firefighter.
2. Recognition of Dale Koenig for outstanding efforts on the night of September 11, 2009.
3. City of Gretna Environmental Training Program (ETP) - Clothilde Cobert, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary, Post Secondary, and Community Education - Jefferson Parish Public School System
4. Gretna Economic Development Association (GEDA) - Report on 2009 Gretna Heritage Festival
5. Health Fair, Congressman Cao's Staff – November 7, 2009 in conjunction with Farmer's Market and West Jefferson Medical Center - Walk starting at 3rd Street to the Levee, then the Bike Path.

5. Bids received for the following:

1

New Offices and Training Facilities for Westbank ARC – Mr. Al Hotard, Architect - Pouwels & Associates, Inc

6. Reports of City Committees:

2

A. Historic District Advisory Committee items considered:

1. **625 Monroe Street** – HDAC recommended denial
For: Addition – Michael and Michelle Schaferkotter
2. **202 Hamilton Street** – HDAC recommended favorable approval
For: Demolition – George Anglada & Danika Gorrondona, Applicants
3. **533 Ninth Street** - For: Repairs – Scott Vanderbrook, Applicant – Reconsideration

B. Report of Site Plan Review Committee:

1. **922 Dolhonde Street**
For: Addition - Chris Cuccia, Applicant

7. Consideration and Adoption of Resolutions.

3

8. Introduction of Ordinances:

4

- A. An ordinance authorizing the issuance of not exceeding \$8,500,000 of Sales Tax Bonds of the City of Gretna, State of Louisiana; prescribing the form, fixing the details and providing for the payment of principal of and interest on such bonds and for the rights of the owners thereof; and other matters in connection therewith.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Rau

8. Introduction of Ordinances (Continued)

B. An ordinance amending the Budget for the Fiscal Year of April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 to transfer funds in the amount of \$10,000 from Councilman at Large Funds in support of the 2009 Gretna Heritage Festival.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Rau

C. An ordinance amending the Budget for the Fiscal Year of April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 to transfer funds in the amount of \$5,000 from Councilman District III Funds in support of the 2009 Gretna Heritage Festival.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Cox

D. An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1945 of the City of Gretna, adopted by the City Council on the 12th day of July 1989, more particularly amending the zoning classification of Lots 1, 2 and 11, Square 44, Gretna Subdivision, Gretna, Louisiana, from **R-3 (Multi Family Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial)**, and directing, authorizing and empowering the Code Enforcement Official to alter and amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Gretna.

Municipal Address: 2201 Lafayette Street
Sponsor: Councilwoman Bevers

E. An ordinance approving the resubdivision of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Square 2, Village of Gretna Subdivision **AND** Lots 4, 5 and 6, Square 4, Village of Mechanickham Subdivision, Gretna, Louisiana **INTO Lot 8A, Square 2, Village of Gretna Subdivision**, as per the plan of survey and resubdivision of Dufrene Surveying and Engineering Inc., dated April 16, 2009.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilwoman Constant

F. An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1945 of the City of Gretna, adopted by the City Council on the 12th day of July 1989, more particularly amending the zoning classification of Lot 8A, Square 2, Village of Gretna Subdivision, Gretna, Louisiana from C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) to PUD (Planned Unit Development), and directing, authorizing and empowering the Code Enforcement Official to alter and amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Gretna.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilwoman Constant

9. Adoption of Ordinances

5

A. To adopt an ordinance declaring certain furniture and equipment surplus property and no longer needed for public purposes and to authorize the sale of said property at an auction scheduled for Saturday, October 17, 2009.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Rau

B. To adopt an ordinance providing for a cost sharing of both health and dental benefits for employees who retire from the City of Gretna.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Cox

C. To adopt an ordinance amending the Budget for the Fiscal Year of April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 to appropriate funds in the amount of \$5,000 from the Mayor's Fund for sponsorship of a concert to be held for the EPA Brownfields Conference in November 2009 at the Gretna Riverfront Amphitheater.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilwoman Constant

D. To adopt an ordinance amending the Budget for the Fiscal Year of April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 to appropriate funds in the amount of \$5,000 from the Mayor's Fund to establish a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Jefferson Council On Aging (JCOA) to review the facility and operations of the Gretna Senior Center.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Rau

E. To adopt an ordinance amending the Budget for the Fiscal Year of April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 adopted April 8, 2009 to appropriate funds from the General Fund balance in the amount of \$29,500 for reimbursement for Lot 13, Square 18, Mechanickham Subdivision, (925-927 7th Street) sold by the City of Gretna to Mr. George Relle at a public auction on February 26, 2005 and authorizing reimbursement of the same.

Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Rau

9. Adoption of Ordinances (Continued)

- F. To adopt an ordinance as amended amending the Gretna Code of Ordinances, Chapter 70 Parks and Recreation by adding “Section 70-46.5 The Gretna Riverfront Amphitheater” to read, “At the Gretna Riverfront Amphitheater (A) (1) the use of bicycles, skate boards, roller skates, caster boards, in line skates, skate shoes or any other similar device; (2) the use of folding chairs in non-designated areas; (3) the sitting on handrails, (4) animals are prohibited and (B) to designate handicapped areas.”

Requested & Sponsored by: Councilwoman Constant

- G. To adopt an ordinance amending the Budget for the Fiscal Year of April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 to transfer funds in the amount of \$31,775.32 from Councilman at Large Fund (\$15,887.66) and from Council District 1 Fund (\$15,887.66) for the purchase of two (2) Lucas Chest Compression Devices.

Requested & Sponsored by: Councilman Rau

- H. To adopt an ordinance of the City of Gretna, Louisiana, granting to Atmos Energy Corporation (A Texas and Virginia Corporation with its principal office in the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas) and its successors and assigns the franchise and rights to conduct in such city the business of acquiring, maintaining, constructing, laying, repairing, removing, replacing, installing, operating and disposing of a gas system for the sale, transportation and distribution of natural gas within and beyond the municipal boundaries of the City and to the residents and businesses located therein for light, heat, power and any other purposes and the right to use the present and future streets, roads, highways, alleys, bridges, public ways and immovable property in such city and owned or controlled by such city for such purposes; prescribing the terms and conditions to which such franchise and rights are subject; and prescribing the term of such franchise and rights.

**Requested by: Administration
Sponsor: Councilman Rau**

10. Citizens to Address the Mayor and City Council

11. Reports by the City Engineer

12. Reports by the Police Department

13. Departmental Reports:

- A. Building Official/Regulatory
- B. Blight Coordinator
- C. Public Utilities Director
- D. Public Works Director
- E. Finance Department
- F. Recreation Superintendent

14. Other Matters:

6

A. Event Request:

Block Party on Halloween Night (Barricade locations Colony Road & Timberlane/Wildwood & Fairfield)
From 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Requested by Mr. Robert Brown, 36 Colony Road, Timberlane

B. License Hearing:

Cesar's LLC (209 Monroe Street), Mr. Adam Cesar, Jr.

C. Alcoholic Beverage Permit Application Review:

1. **Southern Discount**, 29 Westbank Expressway (former Bee Hive Lounge) – Generett Odums, Applicant (Deferred from Sept. 9, 2009 Council meeting).
2. **Ashwin Inc. d/b/a Saffron Caterers**, 505 Gretna Blvd. Suite 5 – Arvinder Vilkhau (Deferred from Sept. 9, 2009 Council meeting).
3. **Dragon Lair** - 15 Westbank Expressway - Applicant: Glory D. Truong (Ratification action deferred from September 9, 2009 Council meeting).

D. Demolition by Neglect

617 Derbigny Street
506 Solon Street
934 11th Street
1108 Derbigny Street
600th Seventh Street

E. Storage Containers Review

15. Adjourn