

SPECIAL COVID-19 NOTICE

Meeting by video conference. Proclamation Number 84 JBE 2020 states that all local political subdivisions of the state shall continue to provide for attendance at essential governmental meetings via teleconference or video conference, and attendance by public officials shall be allowed during the time of this statewide public health emergency. That Proclamation also provides continuing restrictions on gatherings, including the requirement of “social distancing”, but further states that all efforts shall be made to provide for observation and input by members of the public. Accordingly, the public is encouraged to observe this meeting by live streaming video conference at www.westmonroe.com/council and select July 14, 2020 City Council Meeting

Public comments. Comments regarding matters on this Agenda may be emailed to mayorsoffice@westmonroe.la.gov before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2020. Those comments will be presented during the “Public Comments” portion of the meeting unless requested to be made prior to the vote on a particular item on the Agenda. Comments should include the name and address of the person offering the comment. If you wish to comment in person, please call Selah at 318-396-2600 prior to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, to determine if this is available.

Certification. Certification is hereby given that one or more members of the Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe may participate in this meeting by teleconference/video conference, as without the participation of a quorum of members in person and by teleconference/video conference, the Board of Aldermen will otherwise be unable to operate.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING AND PRESENTATION OF THE DOWNTOWN STREETScape MASTER PLAN TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT WEST MONROE CITY HALL, 2305 N 7TH STREET, WEST MONROE, LA 71291

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THERE WILL BE A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT WEST MONROE CITY HALL, 2305 N 7TH STREET, WEST MONROE, LA 71291

AGENDA

Any person present who wishes to comment on any matter prior to the vote on that matter should stand prior to the vote and ask to be allowed to comment.

I. Notice/Minutes:

- a) Call to order.
- b) Motion to approve minutes of the June 9, 2020, regular Council meeting, and of the June 12, 2020 special Council meeting.
- c) Recognitions/Presentations.

II. Administration/finance:

- a) Mayor’s review.
- b) Public hearing and determination of action relating to application for industrial property tax exemption by Neighbors, LLC. Resolution to approve or deny application.
- c) **INTRODUCE** Ordinance to Roll Forward the General Alimony Adjusted Millage Rate, and to call for a public hearing.
- d) Resolution to acknowledge completion of work and receipt of Downtown Streetscape Master Plan.

III. Building and Development:

- a) Ordinance to amend Sec. 12-5043 of the Code of Ordinances, to update allowable uses of certain off-street parking facilities.

IV. Code Enforcement:

- a) Report from Marie Knight, Code Enforcement official.
- b) Order to condemn and demolish structures located at:
 - (i) 115 South 11th Street (owner: Pauline Boldes and Booker T. Myles c/o Jill Goudeau, Appointed Attorney) **(tabled from June)**
 - (ii) 407 South 1st Street (owner: Michael A. Hayes and Christine Wolff Ford) **(tabled from June)**
 - (iii) 307 Herman Street (owner: Judith Washington, Sheldon Ralph Armstrong, Charley M. Lee, Jr., Robin P. Lee, Frederick G. Tillman, c/o Jill Goudeau, Appointed Attorney) **(tabled from June)**
 - (iv) 808 Crosley Street (owner: Charles H. Brown) **(tabled from June) [possible FEMA buyout application]**
 - (v) 907 Austin Avenue (owner: Double Down for Ouachita, LLC/Mike Roberts) (remodeling permits issued 7/10/2020)
 - (vi) 904 4th Street (owner: Jimmie Janet Cash Russell)
 - (vii) 402 Crosley Street (owner: Kathleen Shanas Parker)
 - (viii) 113 Teakwood Drive (owner: Edwin L. Hilton tax adjudication to OPPJ on 7/1/2020)

V. Legal:

- a) Ordinance to amend Sec. 10-5033 of the Code of Ordinances, to clarify the zoning districts where off-premises signage is permitted.
- b) Ordinance to authorize the purchase of certain immovable property from Carter Mitchell Smyth (lot on Cotton Street, \$20,000.00)
- c) Ordinance to enact Section 11-3016 of the Code of Ordinances to provide for the crime of unlawful distribution, possession, or use of theft alarm deactivation devices
- d) Ordinance to amend Sec. 8-2003, 8-2005, and 8-2015 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the procedures for abatement of certain violations, and collection of abatement charges.

VI. Public Works:

- a) Ordinance to authorize City to enter into a Maintenance Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. (traffic signal maintenance) (28 signals at \$800/signal)
- b) Ordinance to authorize City to enter into a Maintenance Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, Office of Engineering. (mowing and litter pickup) (\$29,055)

VII. Community Services:

- a) Resolution to approve the Title VI Program Plan of West Ouachita Public Transit

VIII. Police/Fire:

WMFD:

WMPD:

IX. Engineering/construction projects:

a) **2015 City Of West Monroe Street Improvement Program - Group III (Amethyst Construction, Inc.)**

(i) Authorize Change Order #4 (+\$3,060.00; – days)

b) **New Drago Street Sanitary Sewer Lift Station**

(i) Ordinance to authorize application and, if awarded, to enter into a grant contract with the U.S. Economic Development Administration (est. \$2,000,000.00 with 20% City match)

c) **Mane Street Rehabilitation – Phase I (Diamond B Construction Co., L.L.C.)**

(i) Authorize Change Order #2 (+\$.....;+..... days)

d) **Montgomery St. (La 34 - I-20) (Amethyst Construction, Inc)**

(i) Authorize Change Order #4 (+\$.....; +..... days)

e) **Project updates**

(i) Robert L. George, IV, P.E.

X. Public comments/Other Business

XI. Adjourn

If you need special assistance, please contact Scott Olvey at 318-396-2600, and describe the assistance that is necessary.