

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

I. Call to Order

II. The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approve Minutes for the following Meeting

A. Regular Meeting of August 08, 2023

IV. Resolutions

Introduce and adopt

A. Resolution No. **1801A** – a resolution to adopt a compliance questionnaire for fiscal year 2022-2023 audit per request by the Legislative Auditor.

V. Ordinances

Adopt

A. Ordinance No. **1802** – an ordinance authorizing the City of Jennings to rezone the Old River plot of the Sunshine Addition annexation from S to C-3; and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith

B. Ordinance No. **1803** – an ordinance to permanently close North Avenue between Church and State streets, Jennings, Louisiana; and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith

VI. Other Business

A. Discuss the demo & cleanup of property at 1303 W. D. Rochelle Avenue (Former James Ward Elementary School) belonging to Janine A. Coleman Community Development. The structure has been declared unsafe and in need of condemnation.

VII. Items to Add to Agenda

VIII. Items on Hold – None

Adjournment

RESOLUTION NO. 1801A

A resolution adopting a compliance questionnaire for fiscal year 2022-2023 audit per request by the Legislative Auditor.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Jennings, Louisiana, duly convened with a quorum present and voting that the City Council does hereby adopt a Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for fiscal year 2022-2023 audit as per request of the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

/s/Chad Crochet
Chad Crochet, City Clerk
Jennings City Council

Stephen VanHook, President
Jennings City Council

Henry Guinn
Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 1802

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JENNINGS TO REZONE THE OLD RIVER PLOT OF THE SUNSHINE ADDITION ANNEXATION FROM S TO C-3; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council to the City of Jennings, Louisiana, duly convened in regular session with a quorum present and voting that:

WHEREAS, a request has been made for the change of a certain areas in the City of Jennings, Louisiana from its presently zoned S to C-3; and

WHEREAS, all due legal delays have passed and legal announcements have been made and a public hearing has been held according to law;

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the City Council of the City of Jennings, Louisiana, that in the interest and welfare of the people that said property be re-zoned from S to C-3, said area described as follows, to wit:

TRACT 1

Old River (Parcel No. 200420853) Requests Rezoning from S to C-3

That certain tract or parcel of ground containing 16.458 acres and more particularly described as situated in Section 21 & 22, Township 9 South, Range 3 West, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, commencing at the Southwest corner of a 15.206 acre tract situated in Sections 21 & 22, Township 9 South, Range 3 West, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana from said point of beginning thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 01 seconds West, 278.05 feet to the point of beginning of this description and from said point of beginning thence North 02 degrees 36 minutes 51 seconds East 2,263.30 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 31 seconds East 355.89; thence South 04 degrees 34 minutes 34 seconds West, 2,269.64 feet; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 01 seconds West, 278.05 feet to the point of beginning of this description and shown as Tract 6 on the plat of survey of Michael P. Guidry, registered Land Surveyor dated August 22, 1996, revised August 23, 1996, original plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Being the same property acquired in part by Ronald James Sonnier, by that certain Donation dated January 8, 1999, and recorded in the public records of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, under File Entry No. 559017, and in part by that certain Donation dated November 13, 1998, and recorded in the public records of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, under File Entry No. 558489.

Bearing the municipal address of 3346 North Frontage Road, Jennings, LA 70546.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the official zoning map of the City of Jennings is hereby changed and amended to reflect a reclassification of the area described above from its present S to C-3 being in voting **District C**, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to make said change on the official zoning map in accordance with the ordinance.

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

INTRODUCED: August 8, 2023

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

/s/Chad Crochet
Chad Crochet, City Clerk
Jennings City Council

Stephen VanHook, President
Jennings City Council

Henry Guinn, Mayor
City of Jennings

ORDINANCE NO. 1803

AN ORDINANCE TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE NORTH AVENUE BETWEEN CHURCH AND STATE STREETS, JENNINGS, LOUISIANA; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, it is hereby found and declared that the City of Jennings builds and maintains road infrastructure within the City's limits.

WHEREAS, the City of Jennings is renovating its water plant and expanding the footprint to include property across the street.

WHEREAS, the water plant is a critical infrastructure and must be secured to protect the public health, welfare and safety.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Jennings, Louisiana, finds it has a compelling interest and purpose in the protection of the City's drinking water.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Jennings, Louisiana desires to permanently close North Avenue between Church Street and State Street to expand the water plant's current footprint and to protect the City's drinking water.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED the City Council of the City of Jennings, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened, with a quorum present and voting to permanently close North Avenue between Church Street and State Street to expand the water plant's current footprint and to protect the City's drinking water and repealing all ordinances or part of ordinances in conflict therewith.

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

INTRODUCED: August 8, 2023

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

/s/Chad Crochet
Chad Crochet, City Clerk
Jennings City Council

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Henry Guinn, Mayor
City of Jennings

Derek A. Bisig
CITY ATTORNEY

Henry Guinn
MAYOR

Chad Crochet
CITY CLERK



Date: 07/12/2023

JANINE A. COLEMAN COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
P.O. BOX 90251
LAFAYETTE, LA 70509

Property Address and Description:

Lot(s) _____ Block 6

Subdivision: LL MORSE

Address: 1303 W.D. ROCHELLE

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that I am writing you on behalf of the City of Jennings regarding the above referenced property. You are listed as the current owner or caretaker on the tax rolls of Jefferson Davis Parish. The building, structure and/or home located on the above referenced property has been declared unsafe and in need of condemnation by the City of Jennings.

As per LA R.S. 33:4761, et seq., please allow this letter to serve as formal notice to you that your presence is requested on SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 at the regular meeting of the City Council. The purpose of this meeting is to give you an opportunity to show cause why the building, structure and/or home should not be condemned. The meeting will be held at the City of Jennings Council Chambers, 154 N. Main St. and will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m.

Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at the above telephone number or the City Inspector, Phillip Arceneaux at (337) 821-5500 Ext 400.

Sincerely,

Phillip Arceneaux
City Inspector
PA/dln

Henry Guinn
Mayor, City of Jennings