# Zachary Condemnation Board City of Zachary, LA Council Chambers, 4700 Main Street Thursday, March 23, 3:00 P.M.

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Bryant Dixon called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at the Zachary City Hall located at 4700 Main Street, Zachary, LA

#### B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation by Ms. Boyd Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Masterson

#### C. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS Bryant Dixon Scott Masterson Jennifer Boyd

### 2. READING OF CITY POLICY RELATIVE TO OPEN MEETINGS

Before proceeding with the meeting, a statement was read into the record regarding the Open Meetings Law, and citizens' right to participate in public meetings. The statement set forth general rules of conduct of the public meeting and outlined the process through which a citizen can have items placed on the agenda. A copy of the rules is available at City Hall, Mayor's Office or by calling the Clerk of the City Council. The rules will also be available at every meeting.

#### 3. CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The motion was made by Mr. Dixon

The motion was seconded by Ms. Boyd

To approve to amend the agenda to add the item CONDEMNATION UPDATE to the agenda.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### D. READING OF THE MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes of the February 23, 2023, regular meeting and approve them as written.

The motion was made by Mr. Dixon

The motion was seconded by Mr. Masterson

To approve Minutes of the February 23, 2023, regular meeting and approve them as written.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

# E. CONDEMNED BUILDINGS - PUBLIC HEARINGS OR OTHER ACTION REGARDING BUILDINGS BEING CONSIDERED FOR CONDEMNATION

#### 1. 3852 Little Farms

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:12 p.m. Ms. Green 5123 Pine Street, St. Francisville, was present to speak in favor of the item. Ms. Green asked the board for a sixmonth extension. There being no one else to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:14 p.m.

The motion was made by Mr. Dixon

The motion was seconded by Mr. Masterson

To approve to condemn and to defer until the September 28, 2023 meeting.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson

NAYS: Boyd ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### 2. 4464 North St.

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:26 p.m. Mr. Wiley, 4915 Loudon Street, Zachary, was present to speak in favor of the item. There being no one else to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:33 p.m.

The motion was made by Mr. Dixon

The motion was seconded by Ms. Boyd

To approve to condemn and to defer until the April 27, 2023 meeting and to demolish 30 days after the meeting and to allow the City of Zachary to demolish if not completed.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### 3. 5241 Lennox

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:38 p.m. There being no one to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:38 p.m.

The motion was made by Mr. Masterson The motion was seconded by Ms. Boyd

To approve to demolish the property.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### 4. 5309 Harlem

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:41 p.m. Mr. Adoff, 9917 Westmore Avenue, Baton Rouge, was present to speak in favor of the item. There being no one else to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:43 p.m.

The motion was made by Ms. Boyd

The motion was seconded by Mr. Masterson

To approve to condemn and to defer until the April 27, 2023 meeting to allow the owner to demolish the property.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### 5. 4643 Ave B

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:53 p.m. Ms. Vallet, 2323 Chuckwagon Drive, Zachary, was present to speak in favor of the item. There being no one else to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 3:56 p.m.

The motion was made by Ms. Boyd

The motion was seconded by Mr. Dixon

To approve to condemn and to defer until the April 27, 2023 meeting.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### 6. 5710 E Central Ave.

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 4:05 p.m. Laney Watkins, 1703 Leonard Drive, Baton Rouge, was present to speak in favor of the item. There being no one else to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 4:08 p.m.

The motion was made by Ms. Boyd

The motion was seconded by Mr. Dixon

To approve to defer until the May 25, 2023 meeting.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### 7. 5314 Rollins Rd.

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 4:16 p.m. Sheila Whitmore, Baker, La was present to speak in favor of the item. There being no one else to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 4:19 p.m.

The motion was made by Ms. Boyd

The motion was seconded by Mr. Masterson

To approve to defer until the September 27, 2023 meeting.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### 8. 9115 W. Vernon

Mr. Dixon opened the PUBLIC HEARING at 4:26 p.m. Brandy Avants, 9023 W. Vernon, Zachary, was present to speak in favor of the item. There being no one else to speak in favor or against the item Mr. Dixon closed the PUBLIC HEARING at 4:26 p.m.

The motion was made by Ms. Boyd

The motion was seconded by Mr. Masterson

To approve to condemn and to defer until the April 27, 2023 meeting to allow the owner to demolish the property

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

9. 3448 Roosevelt

10. 8913 W. Vernon

11. 9013 W. Vernon

The motion was made by Ms. Boyd

The motion was seconded by Mr. Dixon

To approve to defer until the April 27, 2023 meeting.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

# 12. 4612 Ave. F (4546 Ave. F)

The motion was made by Mr. Masterson The motion was seconded by Ms. Boyd

To approve to condemn and to defer until the April 27, 2023 meeting.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### **ALTER AGENDA**

## CONDEMNATION UPDATE

Mr. Hopewell gave an update on 4420 Weis Drive and said that the council granted time. The property located at 4817 Old Slaughter Rd. and 5241 Lenox are set to be demolished and asked the board to remove them from the condemnation list.

The motion was made by Mr. Masterson The motion was seconded by Ms. Boyd To approve to remove 4817 Old Slaughter Rd. and 5241 Lennox Street from the condemnation list.

YEAS: Dixon, Masterson, Boyd

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

#### RETURN TO REGULAR ORDER

- \* 4647 Ave A (Deferred until 5/2023)
- \* 4544 Ave E (Deferred until 5/2023)

#### F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Dana LeJeune, Clerk CITY OF ZACHARY PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE STATE OF LOUISIANA

I, Dana LeJeune, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed and acting Clerk of the City of Zachary, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

I further certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Condemnation Board of the City of Zachary, Louisiana, held on Tuesday, March 23, 2023, a proper quorum being there and then present.

Dana LeJeune, Recording Secretary

<sup>\*</sup>Items have been deferred and will be considered for condemnation at a later date.