IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING, TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025 PROPOSED ORDINANCE

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, held a Public Hearing in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 15th day of July, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. pursuant to a Notice of Public Hearing published on the 23rd day of June, 2025 in the Advocate and posted on the Iberville Parish website.

The Council Chairman, Steve C. Smith, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Shalanda L. Allen, District 1; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Steve C. Smith, District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Nadia Jenkins, District 7; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Chasity Martinez, District 10; Charles Dardenne, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12.

Absent: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.

Parish President- Chris Daigle, Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, Chief Operations Officer- Randall Dunn were also in attendance.

Mr. Dunn and Mr. Boudreaux read the following ordinance in entirety.

ORDINANCE 1 ORDINANCE TO ADOPT UNIFORM WATER AND SEWER RATES WITHIN THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE

• Laura Soileau, representing Eisner Amper, came before the Council to give a presentation on the water and sewer rate study that was conducted. The rate study is a requirement for participation in the Water Sector Program funded by the ARPA. Iberville applied for \$3.46 million in ARPA funding and to receive the fund the system, must demonstrate a 1.15 sustainability factor and the current sustainability factor is 0.90. A copy of the presentation is available upon request in the Council's Office.

ORDINANCE 2 ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2025 FIRE DISTRICT #1 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET TO PURCHASE A 3,000-GALLON

COMMERCIAL TANKER TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$525,000

ORDINANCE 3 ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL TO

PURCHASE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE IBERVILLE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO SIGN THE

NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION TO PURCHASE IMMOVABLE

PROPERTY FOR THE IBERVILLE PARISH LIBRARY

ORDINANACE 4 ORDINANCE TO SELL PROPERTIES PREVIOUSLY DECLARED TO

BE SURPLUS BY IPC ORDINANCE # 012-21 TO NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNERS PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF IPC ORDINANCE # 002-13 (STEPHANIE J. JORDAN; PARCEL

0110027950)

The floor was opened to comments and questions. There was no opposition to this ordinance from the public.

There being no further business to be conducted, the hearing was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

/s/ MACY W. OURSO
COUNCIL CLERK
/s/ STEVE C. SMITH
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session, in the Council Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 15th day of July, 2025.

The Council Chairman, Steve C. Smith, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Shalanda L. Allen, District 1; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Steve C. Smith, District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Nadia Jenkins, District 7; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Chasity Martinez, District 10; Charles Dardenne, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12.

Absent: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.

Parish President- Chris Daigle, Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, Chief Operations Officer- Randall Dunn were also in attendance.

A quorum was present and due notice had been posted and published in the Advocate newspaper on the 10th day of July, 2025. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Council Chairman Smith called for anyone wanting to make public comments to register with the Clerk. Blair Guerin, Doris Bellot, and Gordon LaBauve registered to speak.

ADDENDUM

None.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

- A) Resolution of Recognition for Lillian Hatch Perry
 - Councilman Jewell read the Resolution of Recognition for Lillian Hatch Perry and stated that she was unable to attend the meeting tonight and he will present it to her at the next Town of Maringouin meeting.
- B) Resolution of Condolence for Howard Oubre, Jr.
 - Councilman Pierce read the Resolution of Condolence to the family of Howard Oubre, Jr., and presented it to the family. Councilman Dominique and Councilman Jewell both shared memories they had from when they all served as Parish Council members together.
- C) Fire Protection for Patreau Lane & Bruceville Velton Jones
 - This item was passed on.
- D) Audit Presentation by Baxley & Associates Ms. Margaret Pritchard
 - Ms. Margaret Pritchard, representing Hugh Baxley and Associates, LLC. presented the 2024 Iberville Parish Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
 - Ms. Pritchard began summarizing page 18 of the audit report which is the statement of net position. Total assets for the year was \$293,541,243 which increased \$16 million over the previous year. Capital assets increased by \$1 million. The total liabilities were \$26,580,795. The total net position was \$270,472,831 which increased 7.5 %.
 - Ms. Pritchard began summarizing page 19 which is the statement of activities. The expenses for governmental funds was \$40,364,696 which decreased \$2.4 million over the previous year. The business type activities for water, natural gas, and sewer totaled \$8,881,779. The primary governmental total for charges for services was \$48,121,758. The total general revenues and transfers was \$61,754,310. The change in net position was \$20.4 million for the year 2024.

- Ms. Pritchard began summarizing page 154 of the financial statement audit. There were one finding for the 2024 budget. Procedures have been put in place to monitor the budget in accordance with State laws.
- Ms. Pritchard thanked the Finance Director and the Finance Department for a great job in putting together the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Dardenne, it was moved to wave the reading of the minutes of June 17, 2025 and approve as written. The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Daigle reported on the following:

- He started by recognizing the following for their years of service with the Parish, Gail Salvadras for 23 years of service, Lorraine Fair for 10 years of service, and Christopher Raymond for 5 years of service.
- He stated that the staff is making extra preparations for the upcoming storm and sandbags will be available at 19 different locations across the Parish.
- The Hwy 1 bore project is still on hold due to working with the City of Plaquemine to lower a waterline and get the drainage fixed.
- The 2 new boom trucks will be here in July and an additional truck had to be ordered as well.
- He stated that Camp 360 was a huge success and looks forward to next year in hopes of making it available in all areas of the Parish.
- The Bayou Blue water park will be going out for bid next week and the restrooms at some of the IPRD parks will also go out for bid in the next few weeks.
- He stated that at the last council meeting the proposed AT&T cell tower was voted down and it was put back on the agenda to help all the Council members over the last 30 days get a better understanding and give them more information on the Telecommunications act of 1996.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director, Randall Dunn recognized Stephanie Glynn for her 27 years of service and all her hard work throughout the years serving the parish. he said she is a key player in making the finance depart as successful as it has been over the last 25 years. He stated that the Council received their budget to actual financial statement.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE IPC# 010-25

ORDINANCE TO ADOPT UNIFORM WATER AND SEWER RATES WITHIN THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE

WHEREAS, in order to remain eligible to receive grant funding from the State of Louisiana for future water line improvements, the Parish is required to adopt water rates that are capable of sustaining the operations of the Parish's water systems; and

WHEREAS, due to a recent water rate study performed by the firm Eisner Amper, pursuant to the Louisiana Division of Administration's Water Sector Program, it was determined that the Parish's current water rate structure is below a sustainable average, and that the Parish will not be eligible for future State funding unless its rates are increased to a sustainable average; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain eligibility for future State funding, the Parish must increase its rates to levels that meet the parameters of the Division of Administration's Water Sector Program.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL FOR THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE:

SECTION 1. Section 25-4 of Article I of Chapter 25 (Waters and Sewers) of the Compiled Ordinances of the Parish of Iberville is hereby enacted to read as follow:

Sec. 25-4 – Water Usage Rates

The Parish hereby adopts the following Unified Water Rate Schedule, which Rate Schedule shall be used to calculate the water bills payable by the Parish's water customers, based upon the classification of the property.

Unified Water Rate Schedule

Residential:

Base Rate /0 - 2,000 gallons \$17.64 Per thousand gallons thereafter \$4.73

Multi-Residential:

Base Rate /0 - 2,000 gallons \$17.64 Per thousand gallons after \$4.73

Note that for multi-residential locations, the base rate and per gallon amounts are based on the number of individual units/lots within the multi-residential development.

Commercial:

Base Rate $/0 - 3{,}000$ gallons \$31.50 Per thousand gallons thereafter \$5.67

<u>Industrial:</u>

Base Rate / 0 - 10,000 gallons \$41.58 Per thousand gallons thereafter \$5.67

Government:

Base Rate /0 - 2,000 gallons \$39.06 Per thousand gallons thereafter \$5.67

Wholesale:

Per thousand gallons \$3.12

For purposes of this Section, the following terms are defined as follows:

<u>Residential:</u> Property that is specifically used as a dwelling for individuals or households. Residential properties are primarily intended for personal use by a single family. Examples: Single family homes, camps, etc.

<u>Multi-Residential</u>: Property that is specifically used as a dwelling for individuals or households, but which property has separate units or lots and one master meter that feeds multiple units/lots. Examples: Apartment complexes, RV parks, mobile home parks, townhomes, condos, duplexes, etc.

<u>Commercial:</u> Non-residential property that is primarily used for business or income-generating purposes, such as churches, gas stations, stores, offices, schools, hospitals, etc.

<u>Industrial</u>: Property that is primarily used for industrial purposes, and which has a water meter size of 6" or larger.

Examples: Chemical plants, power plants, refineries, warehouses, manufacturers, etc.

Government: Hunt Correction Center and Louisiana Correctional Center.

Wholesale: Village of Gross Tete and Rosedale.

The initial rates set forth herein may, beginning in September of 2026, be adjusted annually by the Parish President, based upon any increases or decreases in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI-U South") from the prior year.

SECTION 2. Section 25-5 of Article I of Chapter 25 (Waters and Sewers) of the Compiled Ordinances of the Parish of Iberville is hereby enacted to read as follow:

Sec. 25-5 – Sewer Rates

The Parish hereby adopts the following Sewer Rate Schedule, which Rate Schedule shall be used to calculate the sewer bills payable by the Parish's Bayou Goula, Dorseyville, Patreau Lane, Choctaw Mobile Home Park and Timberlanes Subdivisions.

Residential/Commercial

Base Rate 0-2,000 gallons \$25.20 sewer rate Per thousand gallons thereafter \$6.30 sewer rate

Multi-Residential:

Base Rate 0-2,000 gallons \$25.20 sewer rate Per thousand gallons thereafter \$6.30 sewer rate

Note that for multi-residential locations, the base rate and per gallon amounts are based on the number of individual units/lots within the multi-residential development.

The initial rates set forth herein may, beginning in September of 2026, be adjusted annually by the Parish President, based upon any increases or decreases in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI-U South") from the prior year.

- SECTION 3. All former ordinances or parts thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance or of the Code hereby adopted are hereby repealed.
- SECTION 4. The Parish Council of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this ordinance or of the Code hereby adopted be declared for any reason to be invalid, it is the intent of the Parish Council that it would have passed all other portions of this ordinance, independent of the elimination of any such portion as shall be declared invalid.
- SECTION 5. The ordinance shall take effect and be in force beginning on September 1, 2025.

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on June 17, 2025 and a copy thereof having been published in the official journal on June 23, 2025 the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 15th day of July, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, was brought up for final passage with a motion by Councilwoman Jenkins and seconded by Councilman Bradford, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Bradford, Dardenne. NAYS: Allen, Martinez, Jewell.

ABSTAIN: Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins.

ABSENT: None

The motion failed.

Councilman Pierce made a motion to reconsider the previous item and seconded by Councilman Bradford, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne.

NAYS: Allen, Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins, Jewell.

ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None

The motion to reconsider failed.

ORDINANCE IPC# 011-25

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2025 FIRE DISTRICT #1 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET TO PURCHASE A 3,000 GALLON COMMERCIAL TANKER TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$525,000

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has identified the need to replace our 1992 Ford F8000 (2,000-gallon tanker) because of the lack of pump parts available and the needed replacement of obsolete air compressor; and

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Finance Department certifies there are funds available in the Fire District #1 Special Revenue Fund to purchase a 2025 Commercial Tanker; and

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council recognizes that a commercial tanker is needed to maintain the current fire rating and to provide additional water supply in areas of the district where supply may be limited;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Iberville Parish Council that the 2025 Fire District #1 Special Revenue Fund Budget amended as follows:

 An additional amount of five-hundred-twenty-five thousand Dollars (\$525,000) is hereby appropriated in the Fire District #1 Special Revenue Fund in the following account Fire District #1 Special Revenue Fund - 120, Capital Outlay Public Safety - 5852, Fire Protection Cost Center Account - 5200, Acquisition of Equipment General Ledger Code -565000

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on June 17, 2025 and a copy thereof having been published in the official journal on June 23, 2025 the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 15th day of July, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, was brought up for final passage with a motion by Councilman Bradford, and seconded by Councilwoman Allen, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 15th day of July, 2025.

ORDINANCE IPC# 012-25

ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL TO PURCHASE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE IBERVILLE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO SIGN THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION TO PURCHASE IMMOVABLE PROEPTY FOR THE IBERVILLE PARISH LIBRARY

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council has identified the need to purchase property located at 24710 Plaza Dr., in Plaquemine, Louisiana for public use and enhancement of community resources, specifically to provide additional space for the Iberville Parish Library; and

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish School Board is willing to sell the property to the Iberville Parish Council, which property is more specifically described below as follows:

Lot 14 of Wilbert Plaza Subdivision, 24710 Plaza Drive, Plaquemine, LA, Parish of Iberville, State of LA

One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Iberville, Louisiana, in that subdivision thereof known as WILBERT PLAZA, and being designated on the official map of said subdivision on file and recorded in Conveyance Book 474, Entry 129 in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the said Parish and State, as LOT NUMBER FOURTEEN (14), said subdivision; said lots have such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and building line restrictions on said map.

Iberville Parish Assessor Parcel #0210154040, Municipal address is 24710 Plaza Drive, Plaquemine, LA.

WHEREAS the market value of the property described above was determined to be FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE AND 00/100 (\$425,000.00) DOLLARS pursuant to an appraisal report rendered by Cook Moore Davenport & Associates on or about October 25, 2024;

BE IT ORDAINED, that the property described above is needed for a public purpose, specifically to provide additional space for the Iberville Parish Library and Parish President, Chris Daigle, is hereby authorized, empowered and directed, for and on behalf of the Iberville Parish Council for the benefit of the Iberville Parish Library to purchase Lot 14 of Wilbert Plaza Subdivision, 24710 Plaza Drive, Plaquemine, LA from the Iberville Parish School Board for the sum of FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE AND 00/100 (\$425,000.00) DOLLARS.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Parish President, Chris Daigle, is further authorized for and on behalf of the Iberville Parish Council for the benefit of the Iberville Parish Library to sign and execute the necessary Act of Sale and other documents necessary to complete the "as is" sale of the above-described property which shall contain such additional terms, provisions and stipulations as deemed proper.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED should any part of this ordinance be declared null, void, invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the remainder of the said ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on June 17, 2025 and a copy thereof having been published in the official journal on June 23, 2025 the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 15th day of July, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, was brought up for final passage with a motion by Councilwoman Martinez, and seconded by Councilwoman Jenkins, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 15th day of July, 2025.

ORDINANCE IPC# 013-25

ORDINANCE TO SELL PROPERTIES PREVIOUSLY DECLARED TO BE SURPLUS BY IPC ORDINANCE # 012-21 TO NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNERS PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF ORDINANCE # 002-13 (STEPHANIE J. JORDAN; PARCEL 0110027950)

WHEREAS the Parish of Iberville has a tax interest in the property described below which has been adjudicated for non-payment of property taxes.

WHEREAS "Property 1" listed below, has been previously declared to be surplus by Iberville Parish Council Ordinance # 012-21.

WHEREAS the adjudicated property listed herein has been maintained for at least one year by an adjoining landowner. Section 14 of IPC Ordinance # 002-13 states: "Notwithstanding any provision of this Ordinance, Iberville Parish Council may, pursuant to the provisions of La. R.S. 47:2201(2)(B), as revised by Act 511 of 2009, allow adjoining landowners of an adjudicated property which constitutes an adjudicated vacant lot to purchase the adjudicated vacant lot for any price set by Iberville Parish Council without any public bidding at a public meeting of the Iberville Parish Council provided that Iberville Parish Council determines that the adjoining landowner has maintained the property for a period of one (1) year prior to the sale. Such sale shall be deemed a public sale under the provisions of this subpart."

WHEREAS contingent upon the requirements of law being met, including but not limited to, proper notice to any interested parties, advertisement in the official journal of Iberville Parish and the production of the three sworn affidavits attesting to the adjoining landowner's maintenance of the adjudicated lots, the Iberville Parish Council desires, and intends to sell the following properties:

1.) **Parcel** # 0110027950

Tax debtor: Stephanie J. Jordan

Location of property: LOT B BEING A PART LOT 2 PLAN 68 TOWN LOTS FRT. RAILROAD AVE. 47'X90'///CB 423 E 76

Adjoining landowner intending to acquire ownership: Kimberly Thomas Suggested price: \$ 2500.00

BE IT ORDAINED that the properties described above is not needed for public purposes and is declared to be surplus and should be returned to commerce.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the properties described above shall be sold to the adjoining landowner listed in accordance with the terms of Ordinance # 002-13 and the Iberville Parish Adjudicated Property Program as administered by the Parish Administrator.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the adjoining landowner of the adjudicated property may purchase the adjoining property for the price suggested above unless another price is designated by the Iberville Parish Council.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED should any part of this ordinance be declared null, void, invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the remainder of the said ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Allen, seconded by Councilman Pierce, it was moved to table the above-mentioned ordinance.

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 15th day of July, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Introduction of Ordinances

1. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED ON PLAZA DRIVE FROM A&D MEDICAL, LLC BY ACT OF DONATION

Upon a motion by Councilman Jewell, seconded by Councilman Pierce, it was moved that a public hearing be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. on the introduced ordinance.

The motion having been duly submitted to a vote, was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on July 15, 2025.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolution Committee met on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 6:19 p.m., followed by the roll call with the following Resolution Committee Members only in attendance: Jewell, Dardenne, Pierce, Jenkins, Dominique.

Absent: Markins, Frazier, Morgan.

The following resolution was read aloud by Mr. Boudreaux:

A) Resolution authorizing the Parish President to sign and submit the Carbon Reduction Program grant for infrastructure improvements to the Capital Region Planning Commission

Councilwoman Jenkins made a recommendation to forward the resolutions to the regular meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Martinez. The recommendation having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call by Resolution Committee Members only:

YEAS: Jewell, Dardenne, Pierce, Jenkins, Dominique.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Markins, Frazier, Morgan.

The recommendation was declared adopted by the Chairman to forward these items to the regular meeting.

During the Regular Meeting:

RESOLUTION IPC # 2025-026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO SIGN AND SUBMIT THE CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM GRANT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CAPITAL REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS the Parish of Iberville is in need of infrastructure improvements; and,

WHEREAS grants for this project may be available through the Carbon Reduction Program operated by the Capital Region Planning Commission:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the <u>Parish Council</u> of the <u>Iberville</u> Parish Government that:		
Section 1. The <u>Parish President of Iberville Government</u> is hereby authorized to submit an application, and if awarded the amount of \$1,794,237.50 for the construction of LA-1 multi-use path for the purpose of placing this project on the Project Priority List for funding through the Carbon Reduction program; and,		
Section 2. The <u>Parish President of Iberville Government</u> is further authorized to furnish such additional information as may reasonably be requested in connection with the pre-application; and,		
Section 3. The <u>Parish President of Iberville Government</u> is hereby designated as the Official Project Representative for the <u>Iberville Parish</u> for any project that may result from the submission of the application.		
The above resolution was duly adopted in regular session on this 15 th day of July, 2025 by the following votes on roll call:		
YEAS: Allen, Dominique, Pierce, Jenkins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Jewell. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Easley, Frazier, Markins, Morgan.		

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 15th day of July, 2025.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

- A) Approve Consideration of Special Use Permit for Des Glaisse (AT&T)
 - Gordon LaBauve came before the Council in opposition of the proposed AT&T cell tower, he stated that on his property in Addis there was an AT&T cell tower when he bought it and over the years he has had issues with being able to contact anyone with AT&T about the problems with the tower. He stated that over the years when work is taking place on the tower he is given no notice and they have caused issues with messing up concrete and his parking lot.
 - Doris Bellot came before the Council in opposition for the proposed AT&T cell tower, she presented Canva made image of what her view from her home would be in relation to the proposed cell tower. (Those images are available upon request in the Council Office.) She stated that she understands there is a need for a new cell phone tower but believes that it should be in a different location and not so close to their neighborhood. She also presented the Council with a signed petition from 80 percent of the residents that live in Bayou Estates community. (A copy of the petition is available upon request in the Council Office.)
 - Blair Guerin came before the Council in opposition of the proposed AT&T cell tower. He presented the Council with a list of reasons and questions why the proposed tower should not go in the proposed area. (A copy of the item presented is available upon request in the Council Office.) He stated that there is a need for a tower but why does it have to be in that spot, if they were to move it

- 450 feet on the neighboring property. He stated that there are multiple pipelines that run through the proposed area.
- Laura Carlisle, representing AT&T came before the Council to describe how the proposed tower would be utilized by AT&T. The tower does not require any waivers and meets all requirements in the zoning ordinance. The proposed project has been in work for the last 18 months. She stated that they have made an effort to reach out to different members of the Council to address any concerns they may have. She stated there is a need for this tower in Iberville, it is a capacity tower to off load issues with the existing towers. She also stated that the need is in the area is it proposed and they obtained letters of no objection from the 2 neighboring property owners. She stated that the process of picking a site is based on many factors and as those factors are considered changes the scope of the sites that can be considered.
- Councilwoman Martinez stated that she knows there is a need for the tower and she received phone calls from people wanting the tower, but asked why that site, if they have considered moving it to another site and another councilmembers asked if they had contacted any other landowners for the location of the proposed tower.
- Chip Lyons, representing AT&T, came before the Council and stated that the process to select a site and get to the permitting process takes about 1 year. Proposed site locations are sent to engineers and they see what is viable and what access is available. It says it is unrealistic to look at more than one site at one time and they pick one and move forward based on regulations.
- Lavar Greenhouse, representing AT&T, came before the Council he stated that it is not AT&T intent to come and disrupt a community, he stated that AT&T is trying to protect public safety and improve the quality of service in the area. They want to keep up with the network demand.
- There was discussion amongst the Council and the Parish attorney Evan Alvarez in what action could be taken on this matter.

No Council member elected to make a motion for approval of the project.

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BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORT	
None.	
DISCUSSIONS	
None.	
<u>ANNOUNCEMENT</u>	
None.	
<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>	
There being no further business, it was moved by Co Councilman Jenkins, to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. The mo	•
/s/ MACY W. OURSO	/s/ STEVE C. SMITH
COUNCIL CLERK	COUNCIL CHAIRMAN