# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF THIBODAUX CITY HALL THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

The City Council of the City of Thibodaux assembled in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 310 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.

There were present: Councilwoman Crochet, Councilmen Richard, Taylor, Mire and Naquin.

There were also present: City Attorney Beau Brooks.

Absent: Mayor Clement.

The minutes of the September 3, 2024 City Council Meeting and September 9, 2024 Emergency Meeting were approved as written.

The Monthly Financial Report for August 2024 was presented to the Council as required by the State's Agreed-Upon Procedures.

Due to the expiration of the term of Mr. Mark Kearns on the Thibodaux Planning and Zoning Commission on August 13, 2024, it is necessary to fill the vacancy on the Board.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22-6 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances, Councilman Naquin has nominating authority for this appointment.

Mr. Naquin wishes to re-appoint Mr. Mark Kearns of 112 Lafourche Dr. to the Thibodaux Planning & Zoning Commission for a five-year term. Mr. Kearns's term will expire on August 13, 2029.

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilman Mire, the Council voted on a resolution to approve Councilman Naquin's appointment of Mr. Mark Kearns to the Thibodaux Planning and Zoning Commission. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

### RESOLUTION NO. 2589

*BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

*WHEREAS*, the Thibodaux Planning & Zoning Commission is comprised of five members appointed by the Thibodaux City Council and Mayor; and

*WHEREAS*, due to the expiration of the term of Mark Kearns on August 13, 2024, it is necessary to appoint a member to fill the vacancy on the board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the rotation method of appointment dictated by Section 22-6 of the City Code of Ordinances, Councilman Mike Naquin has nominated Mr. Mark Kearns for re-appointment to fill the aforesaid vacancy.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux that in accordance with the provisions of Article IX of the Thibodaux

Zoning Ordinance, Mr. Mark Kearns, is hereby appointed as a member to the Thibodaux Planning & Zoning Commission.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that the term of Mr. Andrews will expire August 13, 2029.

The above resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. /s/ Mike Naquin Mike Naquin, President

Due to the expiration of the term of Mr. Drew Andrews on the Thibodaux Planning and Zoning Commission on October 1, 2024, it is necessary to fill the vacancy on the Board.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22-6 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances, Councilman Mire has nominating authority for this appointment.

Mr. Mire has wishes to re-appoint Mr. Drew Andrews of 501 Ducros Dr. to the Thibodaux Planning & Zoning Commission for a five-year term. Mr. Andrews's term will expire on October 1, 2029.

On motion of Councilwoman Crochet, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the Council voted on a resolution to approve Councilman Mire's appointment of Mr. Drew Andrews to the Thibodaux Planning & Zoning Commission. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

# RESOLUTION NO. 2590

*BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

*WHEREAS*, the Thibodaux Planning & Zoning Commission is comprised of five members appointed by the Thibodaux City Council and Mayor; and

*WHEREAS*, due to the expiration of the term of Drew Andrews on October 1, 2024, it is necessary to appoint a member to fill the vacancy on the board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the rotation method of appointment dictated by Section 22-6 of the City Code of Ordinances, Councilman Chad Mire has nominated Mr. Drew Andrews for re-appointment to fill the aforesaid vacancy.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux that in accordance with the provisions of Article IX of the Thibodaux Zoning Ordinance, Mr. Drew Andrews, is hereby appointed as a member to the Thibodaux Planning & Zoning Commission.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that the term of Mr. Andrews will expire October 1, 2029.

The above resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

The City executed an engineering contract with DDG for the Canal Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project on January 22, 2021, Amendment #1 in August of 2022, and Amendment #2 in May of 2023. In order for DDG to revise the design fees based on the need for the traffic sub-consultant to perform an Intersection Control Evaluation Study, as required by DOTD, in a lump sum of \$16,800.00, and to develop a temporary traffic signal plan for the intersections of Canal Blvd. with LA 1 and LA 308, in a lump sum of \$14,500.00. Making the total increase in design fees for this amendment \$31,300.00, and the total contract amount \$795,342.26 for this project.

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilman Richard, the Council voted on a resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute Amendment #3 to the Professional Services Agreement with DDG for the Canal Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

## RESOLUTION NO. 2591

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT #3 TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DDG FOR THE CANAL BOULEVARD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

*BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

WHEREAS, the City entered into a professional services agreement with DDG on January 22, 2021 for the design of the Canal Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has submitted Amendment #3 to the agreement in order to revise the design fees based on the need for the traffic sub-consultant to perform an Intersection Control Evaluation Study, as required by DOTD, and to develop Temporary Traffic Signal plans for the intersections of Canal Blvd. with LA 1 and LA 308; and

*WHEREAS*, the additional fees for the Intersection Control Evaluation is a lump sum of \$16,800.00, and the Temporary Traffic Signal Plans is a lump sum of \$14,500.00, for a total amendment cost of \$31,300.00; and

*WHEREAS*, it is necessary to execute Amendment #3 to the professional services contract with the Engineer for the services to be rendered.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute Amendment #3 to the professional services agreement with DDG for the services rendered to the City in conjunction the additional Traffic Sub-consultant Work.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of the said amendment is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. /s/ Mike Naquin Mike Naquin, President

Councilman Taylor introduced an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a Temporary Servitude Agreement with Anthony P. Preston for the placement of a new traffic signal mast arm, foundation, and pole as part of the Canal Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project.

Councilwoman Crochet introduced an ordinance to approve the division of property owned by JLB Properties of Lafourche located on East 7th Street.

Councilman Mire introduced an ordinance to ratify the Mayor's execution of an Agreement with Keep Louisiana Beautiful for a Beautification Grant Award.

The Public Hearing on these ordinances will be held at the Council meeting on October 1, 2024.

The Agreement between Lafourche Parish Government and State of Louisiana for the Parish to receive funds from the Hurricane Ida Recovery Fund needs to be amended.

The City will receive funding in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 through this program as part of the original agreement. The amendment is due to provisions contained in Act 403 of the 2024 Legislative Session that extend funding through fiscal year 2024-2025 and also includes additional uses allowed for monies in the fund.

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the Council voted on an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Lafourche Parish Government and the State of Louisiana as a recipient of funding through the Hurricane Ida Recovery Fund. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

## ORDINANCE NO. <u>3360</u>

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAFOURCHE PARISH GOVERNMENT

## AND THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AS A RECIPIENT OF FUNDING THROUGH THE HURRICANE IDA RECOVERY FUND

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana has allocated \$9,672,195.00 to Lafourche Parish through the Hurricane Ida Recovery Fund to be dispersed to political subdivisions of the Parish with the City of Thibodaux being the recipient of a \$1,000,000.00 allocation based on our Hurricane Ida reported damages; and

*WHEREAS*, the Parish and City entered into an Agreement with the State of Louisiana in order for them to receive the funds; and

WHEREAS, due to Act 403 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session, an amendment to this agreement is being proposed in order to extend funding from the Hurricane Ida Recovery Fund through the 2024-2025 fiscal year and to provide for additional uses for monies in the fund; and

*WHEREAS*, in order for the Mayor to execute the Agreement Amendment, it is necessary for the Council to adopt an ordinance authorizing this execution

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between the Lafourche Parish Government and the State of Louisiana as a recipient of funds from the Hurricane Ida Recovery Fund.

*BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED* that a copy of the said Agreement Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

The City has been awarded funding through the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) from the Federal Aviation Administration in an amount not to exceed \$209,946.00. The funds will be used for the Seal Coat and Re-marking RW 8/26 project.

Due to the Mayor's electronic signature and submittal to the FAA, it is necessary for the Council to ratify the Mayor's execution of the agreement.

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilman Richard, the Council voted on an ordinance to ratify the Mayor's execution of a Grant Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Funds for the Thibodaux Municipal Airport. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

#### ORDINANCE NO. 3361

# AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (AIP) FUNDS FOR THE THIBODAUX MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

*WHEREAS*, the City has submitted an application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) federal funds associated with the Thibodaux Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, the FAA has awarded AIP funds to the City in an amount not to exceed \$209,946.00 for the Sealcoat and Re-marking Project at the Thibodaux Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, it was necessary to execute an agreement with the FAA for the Airport Improvement Program funds mentioned above in order to receive the funding.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council that the Mayor's execution of the grant agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration for AIP Grant Number 3-22-0072-013-2024 is hereby ratified.

*BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED* that a copy of the said agreement is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

Due to the Canal Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project, Entergy Louisiana needs to relocate electric power service in the area of the bridge. The relocation requires a 20' servitude on the left descending bank of Bayou Lafourche behind Community Bank.

Entergy prepared a ROW Agreement and submitted it for electronic signature by the Mayor. Therefore, it is necessary to ratify the Mayor's execution of the agreement.

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the Council voted on an ordinance to ratify the Mayor's execution of a Right-of-Way Agreement with Entergy Louisiana, LLC for the relocation of electric power service for the Canal Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

#### ORDINANCE NO. 3362

## AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF A RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT WITH ENTERGY LOUISIANA, LLC FOR THE RELOCATION OF ELECTRIC POWER SERVICE FOR THE CANAL BOULEVARD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

*WHEREAS*, the City is replacing both spans of the Canal Boulevard Bridge which will require the relocation of Entergy services in that area; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to grant a twenty (20') foot servitude on the left descending bank of Bayou Lafourche to Entergy Louisiana, LLC in order to relocate electric power service near the bridge; and

*WHEREAS*, due to the Mayor's execution of the right-of-way agreement on July 3, 2024, it is necessary to adopt an ordinance ratifying his execution.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux that the Mayor's execution of a right-of-way agreement with Entergy Louisiana, LLC for the relocation of electric power service for the Canal Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project is hereby ratified.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that a copy of the right-of-way agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

The City entered into a franchise agreement with RTC in 2014 to provide cable television, telephone, and internet service within the City. The original agreement was for a four year term that was set to expire on December 31, 2018.

The franchise agreement was extended for a second four year term until 2022, and amended again in 2022 to extend until December 31, 2024. Amendment No. 3 is being proposed in order to extend the agreement for a five year term until December 31, 2029, with a month to month automatic renewal until terminated by either party with a thirty day notice.

Janet Britton addressed the Council stating that Reserve and Eatel had merged and was available to answer any questions.

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the Council voted on an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Franchise Agreement with Reserve Telecommunications for cable television services. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

### ORDINANCE NO. 3363

## AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH RESERVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that;

*WHEREAS*, the City of Thibodaux entered into a franchise agreement with Reserve Telecommunications (RTC) in order to allow RTC to provide cable television services within the City of Thibodaux; and

*WHEREAS*, the terms of the original agreement was set to expire on December 31, 2018, it was extended for four (4) years through December 31, 2022, and amended again in 2022 to extend until December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement provides for the extension of the agreement for five (5) years to December 31, 2029 with a month to month automatic renewal unless cancelled by either party with thirty (30) notice, with all terms and conditions of the original agreement remaining unchanged.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute Amendment No. 3 to Agreement with Reserve Telecommunications under the terms stated hereinabove.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that a copy of the said agreement amendment is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

The City entered into a franchise agreement with Eatel Video, LLC in 2014 to provide telecommunications network services within the City. The original agreement was for a four year term that was set to expire on December 31, 2018.

The franchise agreement was extended for a second three year term until 2021, and amended again in 2021 to extend until December 31, 2024. Amendment No. 3 is being proposed in order to extend the agreement for a five year term until December 31, 2029, with a month to month automatic renewal until terminated by either party with a thirty day notice.

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the Council voted on an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Franchise Agreement with Eatel Video, LLC for telecommunications network services. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

# ORDINANCE NO. <u>3364</u>

## AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH EATEL VIDEO, LLC FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK SERVICES

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that;

WHEREAS, the City of Thibodaux entered into a franchise agreement with Eatel Video, LLC in order to provide telecommunications network services within the City of Thibodaux; and

*WHEREAS*, the terms of the original agreement was set to expire on December 31, 2018, it was extended for three (3) years through December 31, 2021, and amended again in 2021 to extend until December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement provides for the extension of the agreement for five (5) years to December 31, 2029 with a month to month automatic renewal unless cancelled by either party with thirty (30) notice, with all terms and conditions of the original agreement remaining unchanged.

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute Amendment No. 3 to Agreement with Eatel Video, LLC under the terms stated hereinabove.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that a copy of the said agreement amendment is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and thereby made a part hereof.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

The rates for sewer, natural gas, and water are established in the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances. In accordance with our utility ordinances, the rates may be adjusted annually based on the CPI index by the adoption of an ordinance amending those sections of the code in order to establish the new rates.

The Finance Director has submitted a request to increase the rates for all utility services based on the July 2024 CPI increase of 2.9%. Last year's increase was approved at 3.2%. In order for the City to enact the CPI increase, the Council must adopt ordinances amending the Sections of the Code that establish the utility rates.

Anna Theiss addressed the Council with questions about the increase.

The Council answered questions and explained the process using the Consumer Price Index.

On motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Richard, the Council voted on an ordinance to amend and re-enact Section 21-12 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances – Sewer Service Charges. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

### ORDINANCE NO. 3365

#### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 21-12 OF THE THIBODAUX CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES -SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that Section 21-12 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Sec. 21-12. Sewer service charges.

The following sewerage service charges shall be imposed on the residents of the City:

Five dollars and sixty-one cents (\$5.96) per one thousand (1,000) gallons of water purchased.

Customers who qualify as a commercial laundry business can apply for an adjustment of their water consumption which shall reflect a reduction of twenty (20%) percent of actual water purchased when calculating their sewer fees

This rate may be adjusted annually in an amount not to exceed the U.S. City Average Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for All Items, Not Seasonally Adjusted, for the previous 12 months as published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The annual rate adjustment shall be approved by the City Council by means of the adoption of an appropriate ordinance prior to implementation.

*BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED* that the provisions of this ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2025.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilman Mire, the Council voted on an ordinance to amend and re-enact Section 21-26 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances – Natural Gas Rates. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

## ORDINANCE NO. 3366

## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 21-26 OF THE THIBODAUX CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES -NATURAL GAS RATES

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that Section 21-26 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Sec. 21-26. Natural gas rates.

The rate charged for the consumption of natural gas for all commercial, residential, industrial and institutional customers shall be as follows:

Cost of natural gas delivered to the city gate + \$4.73/MmBtu.

Minimum monthly charge - \$4.73

This rate may be adjusted annually in an amount not to exceed the U.S. City Average Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for All Items, Not Seasonally Adjusted, for the previous 12 months as published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The annual rate adjustment shall be approved by the City Council by means of the adoption of an appropriate ordinance prior to implementation.

*BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED* that the provisions of this ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2025.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. /s/ Mike Naquin Mike Naquin, President

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilman Richard, the Council voted on an ordinance to amend and re-enact Section 21-43 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances – Water Rates. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

#### ORDINANCE NO. 3367

## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 21-43 OF THE THIBODAUX CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES - WATER RATES

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that Section 21-43 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Sec. 21-43. Water rates.

The following monthly water rates shall be imposed on the residents of the city effective January 1, 2025:

| \$4.96               | Minimum charge 1,000 gallons or less. |
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| \$4.90/1,000 gallons | 1,001 – 15,000 gallons                |
| \$4.85/1,000 gallons | 15,001 – 50,000 gallons               |
| \$4.78/1,000 gallons | 50,001 – 100,000 gallons              |
| \$4.72/1,000 gallons | Over 100,001gallons                   |

This rate may be adjusted annually in an amount not to exceed the U.S. City Average Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for All Items, Not Seasonally Adjusted, for the previous 12 months as published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The annual rate adjustment shall be approved by the City Council by means of the adoption of an appropriate ordinance prior to implementation.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Richard, Taylor, Mire, Naquin NAYS: None ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

| /s/ Jennifer Morvant           | /s/ Mike Naquin        |
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| Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm. | Mike Naquin, President |

Corey Williams, Office of Disaster Recovery & Resilience, addressed the Council with helpful information for residents and small businesses affected by Hurricane Francine.

Jason Adams addressed the Council with concerns of flooding in the Rienzi area and a brief discussion took place.

Council Administrator, Jennifer Morvant read a letter from the Mayor giving an overview of how the Administration prepared and responded to Hurricane Francine.

The Council thanked the Administration, City Employees, Fire Department and all who had a part in the response and clean-up of the City after Hurricane Francine.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

Mike Naquin, President