

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF THIBODAUX
CITY HALL
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA
MARCH 3, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Thibodaux assembled in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 310 West 2nd Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 5:00 P.M.

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

There were also present: Mayor Kevin Clement and Beau Brooks

Absent: None

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the Council voted to approve the minutes of the February 18th, 2026 City Council Meeting as written. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Administrator was notified by the Project Engineer, Process and Controls, that the Canal Blvd/Candy Ln Water Tower Painting Project is substantially complete in accordance with all contract documents and specifications. The project was completed by Southern Coatings, LLC.

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the council voted on a resolution of substantial completion for the Canal Boulevard/Candy Lane Water Tower Painting Project. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2700

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

WHEREAS, the City of Thibodaux entered into a contract with Southern Coatings, LLC dated May 21, 2025 for the Canal Boulevard/Candy Lane Water Tower Painting Project; and

WHEREAS, the work under the aforementioned contract was substantially complete in accordance with the plans and specifications by the contractor on February 20, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a final inspection was conducted by representatives of the City and the Project Engineer; and

WHEREAS, all work was found to be satisfactory for acceptance with respect to the application for payment by the contractor less and except any items included on a punch list.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of

Thibodaux in regular session on March 3, 2026 that the work under the aforementioned project be and is hereby accepted as substantially complete on the date hereinbefore specified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council Administrator is hereby authorized to file with the Clerk of Court of the Parish of Lafourche, the Certificate of Substantial Completion in order to commence the 45-day lien period.

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

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 3rd day of March 2026.

/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President

The City is responsible for conducting a Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Environmental Audit Report annually for each of the sewer treatment plants for submission to LA Department of Environmental Quality as part of the LPDES Permit. The report for each plant outlines the actions necessary in order for the City to maintain the requirements of the LPDES Permit.

In order to for DEQ to accept the audit reports for the City, they must be reviewed and accepted by the City Council by the adoption of an appropriate resolution to be submitted with the audit report. The Council Administrator has prepared separate resolutions to be included with the reports for each of the Waste Water Treatment Plants.

On motion of Councilwoman Crochet, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the council voted on a resolution notifying the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the City of Thibodaux has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report for LA0127208-North Thibodaux Wastewater Treatment Plant and set forth the required action. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire, and Harang
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2701

A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY THAT THE CITY OF THIBODAUX HAS REVIEWED THE MUNICIPAL WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT REPORT FOR LA0127208-NORTH THIBODAUX WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND SET FORTH THE REQUIRED ACTION

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

WHEREAS, the City of Thibodaux Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Environmental Audit Report for LPDES Permit Number LA 0127208 AI Number 203695; and,

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality MWPP Environmental Audit Program is designed to encourage municipal wastewater facilities to provide compliance maintenance prior to becoming noncompliant; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City Council to approve the Environmental Audit, by adoption of an appropriate resolution, prior to submission to the LA Department of Environmental Quality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux that the city does hereby notify the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the City of Thibodaux Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report (Audit Period: January 2025 - December 2025) and sets forth the following action necessary to maintain permit requirements contained in the North WWTP's LPDES Permit:

The City of Thibodaux is committed to resolving the specific issues identified in the audit via the following actions:

1. **Address Critical Effluent Quality Exceedances (Part 2: 100 Points)** The Audit reported maximum points (100) for Effluent Quality. The City will implement immediate operational adjustments to reduce effluent Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS) concentrations.
 - Specific Issue: Effluent BOD exceeded permit limits in 9 out of 12 months , and TSS exceeded permit limits in 9 out of 12 months.
 - Action: Conduct a comprehensive review of the activated sludge process and aeration rates to stabilize treatment performance.
2. **Correct Monitoring Deficiencies (Part 2, Section D)**
 - Specific Issue: The facility failed to sample Ammonia-Nitrogen in August/September 2025.
 - Action: Update standard operating procedures (SOPs) and personnel schedules to ensure all permit-required sampling is conducted and recorded without fail.
3. **Address Staffing Constraints (Part 9)** The Audit identified "Short Staffed" as a threat to treatment performance. The City will evaluate staffing levels to ensure adequate certified personnel are available for daily operations and maintenance.
4. **Financial Planning** The City will continue to pursue financial grants and leverage government funding to support these necessary operational improvements.

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

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 3rd day of March 2026.

/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilman Harang, the council voted on a resolution notifying the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the City of Thibodaux has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report for LA0032948-South Thibodaux Wastewater Treatment Plant and set forth the required action. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2702

A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY THAT THE CITY OF THIBODAUX HAS REVIEWED THE MUNICIPAL WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT REPORT FOR LA0032948-SOUTH THIBODAUX WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND SET FORTH THE REQUIRED ACTION

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

WHEREAS, the City of Thibodaux Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Environmental Audit Report for LPDES Permit Number LA 0032948 AI Number 19012; and,

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality MWPP Environmental Audit Program is designed to encourage municipal wastewater facilities to provide compliance maintenance prior to becoming noncompliant; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City Council to approve the Environmental Audit, by adoption of an appropriate resolution, prior to submission to the LA Department of Environmental Quality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux that the city does hereby notify the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the City of Thibodaux Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report (Audit Period: January 2025 - December 2025) and sets forth the following action necessary to maintain permit requirements contained in the South WWTP's LPDES Permit:

The City of Thibodaux is committed to resolving the specific issues identified in the audit via the following actions:

- 1. Address Aging Infrastructure (Part 3: 50 Points) The facility is currently 33 years old, generating the maximum 50 points for age**
 - Action: The City will continue its proactive maintenance utilizing third-party contracts and will proceed with the replacement or rehabilitation of critical components as identified in the Capital Improvement Plan.**
- 2. Mitigate Fecal Coliform Exceedances (Part 2, Section D) The Audit noted exceedances for Weekly and Monthly Geometric Mean Fecal Coliform.**
- 3. Financial Planning The City will continue to utilize available government grants to fund these major capital improvements, supplementing current user-charge revenues.**

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

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 3rd day of March 2026.

/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President

The Louisiana State Legislative Auditor requires that the city complete an annual Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. The questionnaire is completed by the Finance Director and her staff and then submitted to our auditors for review before final submission to the Legislative Auditor's Office.

On a motion of Councilwoman Crochet, seconded by Councilman Taylor, the council voted on a resolution approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2025. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2703

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

WHEREAS, the Office of the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana has presented to the City Administration a Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire to be completed by the Administration of the City of Thibodaux; and

WHEREAS, it is required by that office that the questionnaire be presented and adopted by the governing authority of the City of Thibodaux by means of the adoption of a resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has assured the City Council that the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire has been completed in accordance with applicable law and that all the answers are true and correct to the best of their knowledge.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux that the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby approved and adopted as the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire of the City of Thibodaux for the year 2025.

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

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 3rd day of March 2026.

/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President

The State DOTD has proposed that the City continue to maintain the greenspace along State Highways located in our City under the provisions of an agreement which the City would be compensated for the services. The City will be required to clean and mow the greenspaces a minimum of four (4) times per year.

The agreement proposed is for the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 at certain rates of reimbursement depending on the type of highway. In accordance with

the provisions of the proposed maintenance agreement, the City would receive \$10,800.00 annually for our maintenance services provided.

On a motion of Councilman Harang, seconded by Councilman Mire, the council voted on a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Maintenance Agreement with Louisiana DOTD for the maintenance of green space on State Highways for FY 2026-2027. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2704

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH LOUISIANA DOTD FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF GREEN SPACE ON STATE HIGHWAYS FOR FY 2026-2027

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor has received a proposal from the State DOTD to compensate the City to maintain the green spaces located along the State Highway routes which are located within the corporate limits of the City; and

WHEREAS, the State proposes to reimburse the City in the amount of \$10,800.00 during the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 for the maintenance of green space along 7.25 miles of State highways located within the City; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to execute a maintenance agreement with the State DOTD for the reimbursements/compensation mentioned hereinbefore.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a maintenance agreement with the Louisiana DOTD for the maintenance of green space along State Highways located in the City limits as outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the said agreement 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, Taylor, Naquin, Mire, and Harang

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 3rd day of March 2026.

/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President

NSU Chief, Alex Barnes, attended the February 18th, 2026 meeting, requesting that the Council consider the adoption of an ordinance to establish school zones on the two city streets that are a part of campus. This designation will allow NSU PD to enforce the hands-free law as a primary offense.

NSU has also requested that the UL Board approve the establishment of school zones on the campus streets that NSU has jurisdiction over.

On a motion by Councilman Harang, seconded by Councilman Mire, the council voted on a resolution in support of the establishment of school zones on the streets under the jurisdiction of Nicholls State University. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 2705

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOL ZONES ON THE STREETS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY

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

WHEREAS, Louisiana R.S. 32:59 became enforceable on January 1, 2026 making texting while driving illegal as a secondary offense, unless it occurs within a designated school zone; and

WHEREAS, distracted drivers and pedestrians are a common occurrence on the Nicholls State University campus roadways creating a significant safety risk that could result in a preventable accident and/or injury; and

WHEREAS, in order to bring awareness and deter the number of drivers texting while driving on city streets on campus, the City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 3436 on February 18, 2026 in order to establish school zones on the portions of Audubon Avenue and Bowie Road that are part of the NSU campus; and

WHEREAS, the City Council concurs that establishment of school zones on all streets on the NSU campus would greatly enhance the safety of all drivers and pedestrians that visit the campus on a daily basis.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Thibodaux does hereby support the efforts being made by Nicholls State University to get approval from the University of Louisiana System Board in order to establish school zones on NSU roadways as requested.

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

YEAS: Crochet, Taylor, Naquin, Mire, and Harang

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 3rd day of March 2026.

/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President

Councilwoman Crochet introduced an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Thibodaux Chamber of Commerce. The public hearing on this ordinance will be held at the March 17, 2026 Council meeting.

Councilman Taylor introduced an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a Gas Purchase Agreement with South Coast Gas. The public hearing on this ordinance will be held at the March 17, 2026 Council meeting.

Councilman Mire introduced an ordinance to amend and re-enact Chapter 12, Article VI of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances – Mobile Food Vendors. The public hearing on this ordinance will be held at the March 17, 2026 council meeting.

The Zoning Administrator has informed the Council Administrator that the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended that the City Council consider the introduction of an ordinance to approve the final plat for the division of property located on the west side of Cleveland Street at its intersection with Gerald T. Peltier Drive. The re-division is of a tract of land of Lawrence Robertson Properties, LLC into Lots LRP-1 & LRP-2.

On the motion of Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Crochet, the council voted on an ordinance approving the final plat for the re-division of a tract of land owned by Lawrence Robertson Properties, LLC into lots LRP-1 and LRP-2 located on Cleveland Street as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission at the February 4, 2026 meeting. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE NO. 3437

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE RE-DIVISION OF A TRACT OF LAND OWNED BY LAWRENCE ROBERTSON PROPERTIES, LLC INTO LOTS LRP-1 AND LRP-2 LOCATED ON CLEVELAND STREET AS APPROVED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AT THEIR FEBRUARY 4, 2026 MEETING

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

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Thibodaux has reviewed a request by Leonard Chauvin on behalf of Lawrence Robertson Properties, LLC for the approval of the final plat for the re-division of property located on the west side of Cleveland Street approximately at its intersection of Gerald T. Peltier Drive; and

WHEREAS, the proposed request involves the division of a tract of property owned by Leonard Robertson Properties, LLC into Lots LRP-1 & LRP-2; and

WHEREAS, the said commission has approved the aforesaid request at their February 4, 2026 meeting, and is recommending that the City Council concur with their recommendation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-53 of the Thibodaux Subdivision Regulations, the final plat of this re-division should be accepted by the adoption of an appropriate ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that the final plat for the re-division of property as described above is hereby accepted and approved as requested.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of the final plat illustrating the said re-division is attached hereto and thereby made a part hereof.

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

follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 3rd day of March 2026.

**/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

**/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President**

The Mayor's Office has informed the Council Administrator that the Lafourche Parish Government wishes to enter into a cooperative endeavor with the City in order for them to reimburse the city up to \$34,000.00 for the purchase and installation of two sewer pumps at the lift station near the property the Parish plans to construct the new Thibodaux Recreation and Education Center on Veteran's Blvd.

Mitch Orgeron, Lafourche Parish President, addressed the Council during public comment to announce the Parish's plans to construct a new recreation and education center, which is estimated to be completed and open within approximately 24 months. Mayor Clement explained that the City's current wastewater pumps are already at capacity; therefore, this agreement will allow the City to be reimbursed by Lafourche Parish for the purchase and installation of new pumps for the wastewater lift station serving the site.

On motion of Councilman Mire, seconded by Councilman Harang, the council voted on an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Lafourche Parish Government for the reimbursement of the costs associated with the purchase and installation of pumps for the wastewater lift station for the new Thibodaux Community Recreation and Education center being constructed by Lafourche Parish. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Crochet, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE NO. 3438

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE LAFOURCHE PARISH GOVERNMENT FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PUMPS FOR THE WASTEWATER LIFT STATION FOR THE NEW THIBODAUX COMMUNITY RECREATION AND EDUCATION CENTER BEING CONSTRUCTION BY LAFOURCHE PARISH

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

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana provides that, "For a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the Unites States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual"; and

WHEREAS, the parish and city wish to join together for the public purpose of providing wastewater service by the City of Thibodaux to the new Thibodaux Community Recreation and Education Center being constructed by Lafourche Parish Government outside of the city limits; and

WHEREAS, the city will purchase and install new pumps at the wastewater treatment lift station to service the new recreation center, and the parish will reimburse the city an amount not to exceed \$34,000.00 for the purchase of the two (2) pumps; and

WHEREAS, in order for the parish to reimburse the city for the purchase of the pumps, it is necessary for the Mayor to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Lafourche Parish Government outlining the terms and purpose of the cooperative effort between the two governmental agencies; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Lafourche Parish Government for reimbursement of the costs for two (2) pumps for the sewer lift station to service the new Lafourche Parish Recreation Center.

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, Harang, Taylor, Mire, and Naquin

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 3rd day of March, 2026.

**/s/Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

**/s/Mike Naquin
Mike Naquin, President**

Mark Perque, 264 Water Ford Drive, addressed the Council to compliment the City of Thibodaux Utility Department for their excellent customer service, expressing appreciation for the staff’s responsiveness and professionalism.

The Mayor informed the Council of issues and projects going on throughout the City:

- The police Department purchased (4) new drones**
- Parks and Rec is busy with Summer Registration**
- Human Resources is busy with new spring hiring**
- Compliments to Councilman Taylor for his work with the Midland Park project opening**
- Eagle Dr. Project is starting soon**
- Miracle League Field project has begun**
- Nicholls road project is concreated and paved**
- The dog park lights have been repaired as well as holes filled in, he has received many compliments on how nice the dog park is.**
- Monday, March 9, 2026, he will be at the State Capitol to vote on a project that will allocate \$5 million toward improvements to the drainage system in and around Thibodaux.**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 P.M.

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Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.**

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Mike Naquin, President**