

March 18, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes March 18, 2025 at 5:30 PM 598 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

Call to Order

- Invocation and Pledge
- PRESENT
- Councilman Doug Seal
- Councilman Gene Hoffman
- Councilman Jeffrey Reed
- Councilman Kyle Lewis
- Councilman Josh DeSalvo
- Councilman Gary Knoblock
- Councilwoman Linda Davis

Agenda Amendments if Needed

Announcements

- 1. March 22nd & 29th Absentee voting at City Hall from 8:00am to 12:00pm
- 2. April 1st, 2025 Primary Elections
- 3. April 8th, 2025 Next City Council Meeting

Guests

- 4. Proclamation for JP Compretta
 - Mr. Compretta was not present.

Minutes Approval

5. Motion to approve the Minutes of March 5, 2025.

Motion made by Councilman Hoffman, Seconded by Councilman DeSalvo. Voting Yea: Councilman Seal, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Reed, Councilman Lewis, Councilman DeSalvo, Councilman Knoblock, Councilwoman Davis

APPROVED

Planning and Zoning

 Motion to follow Planning and Zoning's recommendation and deny the application for Special Exception to allow a wine and liquor store in a C-2 Neighborhood Commercial District submitted by Varinder Arora at 501 Old Spanish Trail. Parcel 137J-0-44-220.000 APR 4-0

Application was withdrawn by the applicant.

Sandra Price spoke regarding the fence and installing a speed bump at MLK Park.

Mayor's Report

 7. Motion to authorize the city engineer to advertise for the unit price maintenance contract for roadway and infrastructure repairs.
No action taken

Council Business

Public Forum

Cliff Rabalais spoke regarding TetraTech contract bids.

Anita Warner spoke with an update on the pocket park that is being renovated.

Project Updates

8. Engineer's Report

City Clerk's Report

 Motion to approve the Docket of Claims 25-011 dated March 18, 2025 in the amount of \$1,803,887.84.

Motion made by Councilman Seal, Seconded by Councilman DeSalvo. Voting Yea: Councilman Seal, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Reed, Councilman Lewis, Councilman DeSalvo, Councilman Knoblock, Councilwoman Davis **APPROVED**

Consent Agenda

- 10. Motion to extend the emergency declaration for hurricane Zeta to April 26, 2025.
- 11. Motion to adopt Ordinance 673-03-2025 establishing compensation for election commissioners, poll managers/workers, resolution board and other election workers for the city of Bay St. Louis.
- 12. Motion to approve the resolution of the mayor and City Council of the city of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi authorizing and approving the form of and execution of an equipment lease purchase agreement between the city and Cadence Equipment Finance, a division of Cadence Bank, and related matters.
- 13. Motion to approve the invoice from Orion Planning Development in the amount of \$4,950.00 for the Zoning Code rewrite.
- 14. Motion to approve the invoice from DCMC Partners in the amount of \$107.50 for FEMA Consulting Services.
- 15. Motion to approve the interfund transfers between funds.
- 16. Motion to spread the Bay Saint Louis Payroll in the amount of \$235,526.84, dated March 7, 2025, on the Minutes.
- 17. Motion to spread letter of resignation from JP Compretta dated February 25, 2025 from the position of public defender for the City of Bay St. Louis.

- 18. Motion to spread executed contract between the City of Bay St. Louis and Thompson Brothers Drilling, Inc. for the new water well project.
- 19. Motion to spread the Utility Refund Check Register #25-012, dated March 18, 2025, in the amount of \$1,374.48.
- 20. Motion to spread the Bay Saint Louis Certification letter for Utility Refund Check Register 25-012 dated March 18, 2025 on the Minutes.
- 21. Motion to approve the Certification letter for Docket 25-011 dated March 18, 2025. Motion made by Councilman Seal, Seconded by Councilman Reed. Voting Yea: Councilman Seal, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Reed, Councilman Lewis, Councilman DeSalvo, Councilman Knoblock, Councilwoman Davis APPROVED

Spread Reports

22. Motion to spread the Cash Balances, Revenue Report, Grant and Intergovermental Revenue Report, Detailed Grant Revenue Report, Revenue & Expense Report, Wage & Hours Report, February Chamber Meetings Report, HR Report, Feb. Harbor Report and Gaming and Sales Tax Report on the minutes.

Motion made by Councilman DeSalvo, Seconded by Councilman Reed. Voting Yea: Councilman Seal, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Reed, Councilman Lewis, Councilman DeSalvo, Councilman Knoblock, Councilwoman Davis **APPROVED**

Attorney's Report

Executive Session (If Needed)

Adjourn

23. Motion to adjourn the meeting of March 18, 2025.

Motion made by Councilman Hoffman, Seconded by Councilman Reed. Voting Yea: Councilman Seal, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Reed, Councilman Lewis, Councilman DeSalvo, Councilman Knoblock, Councilwoman Davis APPROVED

Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large	Date
Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1	Date
Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2	Date
Jeffrey Reed, Councilman Ward 3	Date
Kyle Lewis, Councilman Ward 4	Date
Linda Davis, Councilwoman Ward 5	Date
Josh DeSalvo, Councilman Ward 6	Date
Mike Favre, Mayor	Date
Caitlin Bourgeois, Clerk of Council	Date