

DONALDSONVILLE COUNCIL  
CITY OF DONALDSONVILLE  
JANUARY 23, 2023

The Donaldsonville Council of the City of Donaldsonville met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 23rd 2023, at 6:00 p.m. held in Council Chambers, 609 Railroad Avenue, Donaldsonville, Louisiana with the following members present.

CHARLES BROWN, SR. Chairman  
RAYMOND AUCOIN, Vice-Chairman  
LAUTHAUGHT DELANEY, SR.  
REGINALD FRANCIS, SR.  
MIKE SULLIVAN, SR.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Brown.  
A prayer and pledge of allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin and seconded by Mr. Delaney to approve November 14, 2023, November 28, 2023 and December 12, 2023 Donaldsonville Council meeting minutes.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, DELANEY, M. SULLIVAN SR., FRANCIS, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

The public comment period was now opened.

Kevin Kelly addressed the council regarding the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District.

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin, seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., to close public comments.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, M. SULLIVAN SR., DELANEY, FRANCIS, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

The Finance Report given by Sandra Cost Williams.

Presentation of 2022-2023 Audit Report given by Don McClain & Suzanne Giroir.

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., to accept the June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Audit as presented by EisnerAmper.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, M. SULLIVAN SR, DELANEY, FRANCIS, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

Discussion of vehicle purchase moved to upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting.

Discussion of Monthly Financial Reports moved to upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Delaney seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt the following resolution: RESOLUTION  
2024-14

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF TROSCLAIRE DONALDSONVILLE, LLC dba BUTCHER BOY (3439 HWY 1 S).

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: DELANEY, FRANCIS, M. SULLIVAN, SR., AUCOIN,

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION  
WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. to adopt the following  
resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-15

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF MICHEL BELLINA dba BELLINA GROCERY (204 ST PATRICK ST)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, M. SULLIVAN, SR., DELANEY, FRANCIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION  
WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Francis seconded by Mr. Delaney to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-16

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF WAL-MART #485 (1351 MARCHAND DR)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: FRANCIS, DELANEY, M. SULLIVAN, SR., AUCOIN,

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION  
WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt the following  
resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-17

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF NOLAN W. GUILLOT dba THE FIRST AND LAST CHANCE (812 RAILROAD AVE)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN, SR., FRANCIS, DELANEY, AUCOIN

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION

WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin seconded by Mr. Delaney to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-18

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF FA & AL, LLC dba PACK-A-PACK (10 TH STREET)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, DELANEY, M. SULLIVAN, SR. FRANCIS,

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION

WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Delaney seconded by Mr. Aucoin to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-19

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF DATVO INC. dba DAT CHEVERON (10 TH STREET)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: DELANEY, AUCOIN, M. SULLIVAN, SR., FRANCIS,

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION

WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Francis seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-20

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF TODD & TARA LANDRY dba MIDWAY GROCERY, INC (416 RAILROAD AVE)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: FRANCIS, M. SULLIVAN, SR., DELANEY, AUCOIN,

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION

WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. seconded by Mr. Delaney to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-21

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF NATALIE NOEL dba NOEL FAMILY DISTILERY (30 VETERANS BLVD)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN, SR., DELANEY, AUCOIN, FRANCIS,

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION  
WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-22

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF J'S LIQUOR INC  
dba J'S LIQUOR dba J'S LIQUOR (715 LESSARD ST)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, FRANCIS, DELANEY, M. SULLIVAN, SR.

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION  
WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Delaney seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. to adopt the following  
resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-23

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF  
CVS/PHARMACY #5278 dba CVS (20 W 10 th ST)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: DELANEY, M. SULLIVAN, SR., FRANCIS, AUCOIN

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION  
WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Francis seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. to adopt the following  
resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-24

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF JEFFERY I  
HENRY SR dba JEFF'S BAR & LOUNGE (702 ST PATRICK ST)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: FRANCIS, M. SULLIVAN, SR. DELANEY, AUCOIN

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION  
WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-25

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF JEFFERY I HENRY SR. dba JEFF'S LOUGE (1319 ST PATRICK ST)

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN, SR. FRANCIS, DELANEY, AUCOIN

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin seconded by Mr. Francis to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-28

A RESOLUTION approving the LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION OF Ascension Catholic Diocesan Regional School dba Ascension Catholic (311 St. Vincent Street) February 3 AC Seafood and Auction Event.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, FRANCIS, DELANEY, M. SULLIVAN, SR.,

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: BROWN

ABSENT: NONE, 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. Aucoin seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-26

Whereas, the Donaldsonville Downtown Development District ("DDDD") has been actively engaged in community and economic development initiatives, necessitating the establishment of a dedicated bank account for efficient financial management.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, M. SULLIVAN SR., DELANEY, FRANCIS, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. M. Sullivan, Sr. seconded by Mr. Delaney to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-27

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Donaldsonville Downtown Development District Commission authorizes Juanita C. Pearley, the Chair, and Oliver

Joseph, the Vice Chair, Adrienne Conish, the Secretary / Treasurer, and Michele F. Ashby, the Executive Director of the Donaldsonville Downtown Development District Commission to hereby be fully authorized, empowered, instructed and directed, to sign for and on behalf of this corporation, to be added to all bank accounts, loans, utility accounts, grants, etc. as a signer and administer funds as needed and directed by the organization. Said agreement to contain whatever terms, provisions, and conditions as the said board of this corporation shall deem are wise, necessary, proper and appropriate to the circumstances.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN SR., DELANEY, FRANCIS, AUCOIN, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

The following ordinances were introduced, and a public hearing will be held on this ordinance on February 27th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at city hall.

#### **ORDINANCE 2024-02**

An amendment of the Downtown Development District of the City of Donaldsonville ordinance; providing for the creation, composition, and powers; preparation of plans, levy of special ad valorem taxes, and issuance of bonds and other instruments of indebtedness; providing for severability; providing for renumbering; and providing an effective date.

The public hearing on the following ordinance was now opened.

#### **ORDINANCE 2023-17**

An ordinance of the City of Donaldsonville proposing 4-Way Stop sign on Chetimatches and Opelousas.

All interested parties were given the opportunity to express their opinion.

It was moved by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., seconded by Mr. Delaney to close the public hearing on Ordinance 2023-17.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN SR., DELANEY, FRANCIS, AUCOIN, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

It was moved by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., seconded by Mr. Aucoin to adopt Ordinance 2023-17.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN SR., AUCOIN, FRANCIS, DELANEY, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

Discussion held regarding L-GAP RESOLUTION 2024-29

It was moved by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., seconded by Mr. Francis to approve Resolution 2024-29, authorizing the mayor to sign all documents for the L-GAP Grant .

The vote thereon was  
as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN SR., FRANCIS, DELANEY, AUCOIN, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

Discussion held regarding Water Sector Round 2 Grant Agreement. It was moved by Mr. Aucoin seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., to authorize mayor to sign all documents concerning the Water Sector Round 2 Grant Agreement.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: AUCOIN, M. SULLIVAN SR., FRANCIS, DELANEY, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

Discussion held regarding proposed ordinance to prohibit pile driving.

John Beck addressed the council regarding the proposed ordinance.

Kevin Kelley addressed the council regarding the proposed ordinance.

Jim Blanchard addressed the council regarding the proposed ordinance.

Vote on ordinance prohibiting pile driving to be held on February 27th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.  
at city hall.

The Demolition hearings were now opened.

A report was given on Lots 170 and 183, E ½ Sq. 12, C/V; 1401 McKinley Alley; (Owner: Albertha B. Quillen)

All interested parties were given the opportunity to express their opinion.

It was moved by Mr. Francis seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., to order demolition within  
30 days from January 24, 2024.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: FRANCIS, M. SULLIVAN, SR., DELANEY, AUCOIN, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS

ADOPTED

A report was given on 15 and W ½ Lot 17, Sq. 4, C/V; 704 2nd Street/1007 Peytavin Street. (Owner: Maria Esther Mendez-Sanabria)

All interested parties were given the opportunity to express their opinion.

Maria Esther Mendez-Sanabria addressed the council.

It was moved by Mr. Francis seconded by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., to order demolition within 60 days from January 24, 2024.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: FRANCIS, M. SULLIVAN SR., DELANEY, AUCOIN, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS  
ADOPTED

A report was given on Lot 189, E ½ Sq. 11, C/V; 1410 St. Vincent Street. (Owner: Estate of Percy Williams)

Notice is still in Transit. Demolition hearing will be reset once Notice has been served.

A report was given on E ½ Lot 5. Sq. 41; 410 W. 6th Street. (Owner: Lucelia G. Polk Sr.)

Notice sent three times but returned by the United States Post Office as vacant.

Demolition hearing on E ½ Lot 5. Sq. 41; 410 W. 6th Street to be postponed to February 27th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at city hall.

There being no further business before the Council of the City of Donaldsonville in regular session convened, a motion was made by Mr. M. Sullivan Sr., and seconded by Mr. Francis that this meeting be adjourned.

The vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: M. SULLIVAN SR., FRANCIS, DELANEY, AUCOIN, BROWN

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE, 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, NONE ABSENT AND THE MOTION WAS  
ADOPTED

s/Ashley Gagnard  
Council Clerk