

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF GRAMERCY
JUNE 13, 2022**

PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 740-2022 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022 FOR THE TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA

There were no public comments made on the above ordinance.

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ORDINANCE NO. 742-2022 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023 FOR THE TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA.

There were no public comments made on the above ordinance.

A motion to close the public hearing was made by Alderman Wiggins, seconded by Alderman Brack and passed unanimously.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, met in regular, monthly session on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 6:00 pm at Gramercy Town Hall.

Mayor Nosacka called the meeting to order, and asked the Clerk to call roll:

There were present: Mayor Steven Nosacka, Alderman Darren Brack, Alderman Theron Louque, Alderman Clyde Wiggins, Alderman Barbara Woods

There were absent: Alderman Craig Calcagno

There were also present: Police Chief Brent Dicharry, Town Attorney Robert Faucheux, Jr., Town Clerk Amy St. Pierre

PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were no public comments.

PRESENTATION AND COMMENTS -

Mr. Ryan Donadieu – announce his candidacy for St. James Parish Sheriff in 2023 election.

Mayor Nosacka presented Micah Waguespack with a plaque honoring his Jr. Olympic Gold Medal in Air Rifle Match and Silver Medal in .22 Caliber Smallbore Rifle. Micah thanked his coaches, 4-H Club, family and community for their support.

REPORTS

1. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Nosacka reported that Rostand continues to document expenditures and reimbursements to FEMA. The PPDR program currently has 13 applicants. After a seven month delay the water pump for the water plant has been delivered. The DHH Lead and Cooper sample kits have arrived, and we will begin testing soon. The managers from Utz Quality Foods will be here in July to discuss future plans for Zapp's Potato Chips. He has met with Parish Councilman St. Pierre and Operation Director Rick Weber to discuss repairs to Central Canal between 6th and 8th Streets. The owners of the Mire building have installed fencing around perimeter of the building to prevent intruders and he continues to discuss with them the plans for permanent repairs or demolition.

2. REPORT ON-GOING PROJECT

Mayor Nosacka reported that after a delay the resurfacing of S. Mulberry and S. Cherry Streets will continue on June 14th. Concrete street repairs will begin in the new Fiscal Year. Alderman Brack suggested getting engineers to review and draw up specifications for

the concrete street repairs. Advanced Utility Services will begin installing our automatic read meters on June 20th. Scott Poirrier, High Tide Consultants, has finished the revised plan for the S. Millet project and we will re-bid this project in the near future.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS AND DIRECTORS

A. REPORT FROM CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Dicharry reported that Officer Ballard will retire in July and Officer Preyan has decided to stay with the department. He thanked St. James Parish Sheriff Martin for donating two police units to Gramercy Police Department.

After interviewing applicants for the open position, Chief Dicharry recommended to the Board of Aldermen to hire Mr. Clint Walker. A motion to hire Mr. Clint Walker was made by Alderman Wiggins, seconded by Alderman Brack and the motion passed unanimously.

B. REPORT FROM EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Lt. Jody Ordeneaux stated he has spoken with Chief Dicharry and Mayor Nosacka about investigating in less than lethal systems to provide more versatility when responding to various events. Mayor and Board of Aldermen express concerns that our officers have the proper protection needed when responding to an active shooter event. He is also working on a sandbag graphic sign so property owners would know how many sandbags are needed to protect their home.

C. REPORT FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officer Alex Gerhold had no report for this month.

REPORTS FROM ST. JAMES PARISH GOVERNMENT

District 1 Parish Councilman Alvin St. Pierre, Jr. had no report for this month

3. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. PLANNING COMMISSION

Chairman Barry LeBlanc presented the Planning Commission's recommendations concerning the Town's Mobile Home Ordinance. They include having homes conforming to the latest Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards and changing the home age requirement from three years to five years.

B. GRAMERCY RECREATION DISTRICT

Mr. Craig Calcagno had no report for this month

ORDINANCE – FINAL ACTION

ORDINANCE NO. 740-2022

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022 FOR THE TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 736-2021 dated June 28, 2021 was adopted to serve as the Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Town of Gramercy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, The General Fund budget contained in Ordinance No. 736-2021 must be amended to provide for reduction of revenue and increase of expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, that:

SECTION I. The attached estimate of revenues as reflected in the supporting line-item budget, and such other fiscal exhibits and information as required by Section 1308(D) Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as the Amended Budget of Revenues of the Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund for the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

SECTION II. The attached detailed statement of expenditures as reflected in the supporting line-item budget, and such other fiscal exhibits and information as required by Section 1308(D) Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as the Amended Budget of Expenditures of the Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund for the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

SECTION III. The adoption of the Amended Budget of Expenditures reflected in the attached line-item budget containing account object of expenditures classifications shall be declared to be the appropriation of the amounts set therein as established in each budget classification by object of expenditures.

SECTION IV. The amount appropriated for all accounts shall not exceed the amounts fixed therefore in the Amended Budget of Expenditures. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit the governing authority from amending or making appropriations to, and for the contingent fund to be used in cases of emergency.

SECTION V. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION VI. If any provisions or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby severable.

Said Ordinance having been introduced on Monday, May 23, 2022 notice of public hearing having been published on June 2, 2022, said public hearing held on Monday, June 13th, 2022 the title having been read and the Ordinance considered, on motion by Alderman Louque, second by Alderman Brack to adopt the Ordinance, a record was taken, and the following result was held.

YEAS:	Louque, Brack, Woods, Wiggins
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Calcagno
ABSTAIN:	None

And the ordinance was declared adopted on this 13th day of June, 2022.

ORDINANCE NO. 741-2022

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022 FOR THE TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana that:

SECTION I. The attached estimate of revenues as reflected in the consolidated statement, the supporting line-item budget, and such other fiscal exhibits and information as required by Section 1308(D) Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as the Budget of Revenues for the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

SECTION II. The attached statement of expenditures as reflected in the consolidated statement, the supporting line-time budget, and such other fiscal exhibits, and information as required by Section 1308(D) Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as the Budget of Expenditures for the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

SECTION III. The adoption of the Budget of Expenditures as reflected in the attached line-item budget containing account object of expenditures classifications shall be declared to be the appropriation of the amounts set therein as established in each budget classification by object of expenditures.

SECTION IV. The amounts appropriated for all accounts shall not exceed the amounts fixed therefore in the Budget of Expenditures. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit the governing authority from amending or making appropriation to, and the establishing of a contingent fund to be used in cases of emergency.

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YEAS:	Wiggins, Woods, Louque, Brack
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Calcagno
ABSTAIN:	None

And the ordinance was declared adopted on this 13th day of June, 2022.

ORDINANCE NO. 742-2022

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana that:

SECTION I. The attached estimate of revenues as reflected in the consolidated statement, the supporting line-item budget, and such other fiscal exhibits and information as required by Section 1308(D) Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as the Budget of Revenues for the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

SECTION II. The attached statement of expenditures as reflected in the consolidated statement, the supporting line-time budget, and such other fiscal exhibits, and information as required by Section 1308(D) Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as the Budget of Expenditures for the Town of Gramercy, Louisiana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

SECTION III. The adoption of the Budget of Expenditures as reflected in the attached line-item budget containing account object of expenditures classifications shall be declared to be the appropriation of the amounts set therein as established in each budget classification by object of expenditures.

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YEAS:	Louque, Brack, Woods, Wiggins
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Calcagno
ABSTAIN:	None

And the ordinance was declared adopted on this 13th day of June, 2022.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT QUOTE FOR ROOF REPAIRS & REPLACEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Town of Gramercy has identified that multiple Town-owned buildings have roof repairs that are needed as a result of Hurricane Ida; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gramercy has publicly advertised and solicited quotes from contractors to perform this work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Board of Aldermen hereby approves the selection of Garcia Roofing and Sheet Metal Inc. for roof repairs and replacements for six Town-owned buildings (the "Work"), at a price of not to exceed One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand, Six Hundred and Three Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$142,603.80).

SECTION 2. Steven T. Nosacka, Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute applicable contract documents with Garcia Roofing and Sheet Metal Inc. for this Work and to make payment upon satisfactory execution of the Work.

A motion to adopt the above resolution was made by Alderman Wiggins, seconded by Alderman Louque and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS:	Brack, Louque, Wiggins, Woods
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Calcagno
ABSTAIN:	None

And the resolution was declared adopted on this the 13th day of June, 2022.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES

LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF GRAMERCY

WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Gramercy, Chapter 18 provides for the repair or demolition of what has been determined to be unsafe structures; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined the structures located at multiple locations in the Town to be unsafe; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has accomplished and satisfied all of the Notice requirements in Chapter 18; and

WHEREAS, Section 18-29 (a) requires the determination by the Board of Aldermen that a structure is unreasonable to repair, and that demolition is required.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA THAT:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to proceed with demolition and removal of the following structures, subject to compliance with the notice and appeal provisions contained within the Ordinance:

Ann Taylor – 252 Mobile Lane – Property ID 100002812
John M Falgoust Jr – 342 Mobile Lane – Property ID 100039310

A motion to Table the above resolution until further information is provided was made by Alderman Brack, seconded by Alderman Louque and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS:	Brack, Louque, Wiggins, Woods
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Calcagno
ABSTAIN:	None

And that resolution was Tabled on this 13th day of June, 2022.

RESOLUTION NO. 27-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT QUOTE FOR DEMOLITION OF UNSAFE STRUCTURES IN THE TOWN OF GRAMERCY

WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Gramercy, Chapter 18 provides for the repair or demolition of what has been determined to be unsafe structures; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined the structures located at multiple locations in the Town to be unsafe; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has accomplished and satisfied all of the Notice requirements in Chapter 18; and

WHEREAS, Section 18-29 (a) requires the determination by the Board of Aldermen that a structure is unreasonable to repair, and that demolition is required.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen have authorized the demolition of multiple structures; AND

WHEREAS, the Town of Gramercy has solicited quotes from contractors to perform this work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Board of Aldermen hereby approves the selection of C&M Specialty Services LLC, Paulina, LA for the demolition of the following structures in the Town of Gramercy (the "Work"), at a price of not to exceed Twenty-Six Thousand, Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$26,950.00):

Beulah Mae Jones Rosemain – 1360 Golden Grove Avenue – Property ID 0100098400
Irma Joseph – 1605 E Second Street – Property ID 0100056900
Cassandra Carr – 1606 E First Street – Property ID 100018170
Kearney Hidalgo – 267 S Oak Street – Property ID 0100049400
Jacqueline Washington – 117 S Montz Avenue – Property ID 0100116800
Joseph Williams Jr – 1577 Rose Street – Property ID 0100120000
Bertha Young Jackson – 1597 Rose Street – Property ID 0100121590
Lawrence Boudreaux Jr – 118 S Millet Avenue – Property ID 100038525

SECTION 2. Steven T. Nosacka, Mayor, is hereby empowered to authorize this Work and to make payment upon satisfactory execution of the Work.

A motion to adopt the above resolution was made by Alderman Wiggins, seconded by Alderman Brack and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS: Brack, Louque, Wiggins, Woods
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Calcagno
ABSTAIN: None

And the resolution was declared adopted on this the 13th day of June, 2022.

RESOLUTION NO. 28-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT QUOTE FOR FOURTH STREET DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Town of Gramercy has identified that drainage infrastructure repairs are required at the corner of Fourth Street and N. Ezidore Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gramercy has publicly advertised and solicited quotes from contractors to perform this work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Board of Aldermen hereby approves the selection of Robert Enterprises, LLC for installation of new culverts and related drainage improvements at the corner of Fourth Street and N. Ezidore Avenue (the "Work"), at a price of not to exceed Thirty-Two Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$32,700.00).

SECTION 2. Steven T. Nosacka, Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute applicable contract documents with Robert Enterprises, LLC for this Work and to make payment upon satisfactory execution of the Work.

A motion to adopt the above resolution was made by Alderman Wiggins, seconded by Alderman Brack and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS: Brack, Louque, Wiggins, Woods
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Calcagno
ABSTAIN: None

And the resolution was declared adopted on this the 13th day of June, 2022.

RESOLUTION NO. 29-2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT QUOTE FOR SEWER LIFT STATION REPAIRS

WHEREAS, the Town of Gramercy has identified that the sewer lift stations serving the Town are in need of substantial repair and rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gramercy has solicited a quote from a qualified contractor that is experienced with the scope of these required repairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF GRAMERCY, LOUISIANA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Board of Aldermen hereby approves the contracting of H&H Projects LLC of Denham Springs, LA for repairs and rehabilitation work on the nine sewer lift stations serving the Town as specified in their May 12, 2022 Proposal #2022512 (the "Work"), at a price of not to exceed Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00).

SECTION 2. Steven T. Nosacka, Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute applicable contract documents with H&H Projects LLC for this Work and to make payment upon satisfactory execution of the Work.

A motion to adopt the above resolution was made by Alderman Louque, seconded by Alderman Wiggins and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS: Brack, Louque, Wiggins, Woods
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Calcagno
ABSTAIN: None

And the resolution was declared adopted on this the 13th day of June, 2022.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Alderman Brack, second by Alderman Woods and approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, and to adopt the minutes as published.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was moved by Alderman Brack, second by Alderman Louque and approved to pay all bills and accept financial statements presented before the Council.

ALDERMEN'S REPORT

Alderman Wiggins reported there was a dumpster fire by a home on S. Hickory Street, but the fire hydrant was not working and asked the Mayor to make a workorder for repairs. He continues to receive about the abandoned house on S. Airline Ave.

Alderman Woods has received complaints concerning drainage in District 1.

Alderman Louque asked for an update on Central Canal project. Mayor Nosacka said the engineering survey was complete and we should receive the specifications soon. He has noticed some work done on building up the sewer pond road but would like to see it built up higher.

Alderman Brack thanked the Town of Lutcher maintenance crew for helping our maintenance crew with clearing a culvert blockage by China King. He has received complaints about code enforcement, and he will continue to speak with Mayor and Police Chief to help resolve.

TOWN ATTORNEY

Mr. Fauchoux stated that the settlement conference for Rise St. James lawsuit has been rescheduled for July 21, 2022.

There being no further business it was moved by Alderman Wiggins, second by Alderman Brack, and approved to adjourn at 7:26 pm.

/s/Mayor Steven T Nosacka

Attest: /s/Amy St Pierre, Clerk