

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF THIBODAUX
CITY HALL
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA
FEBRUARY 7, 2017**

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, February 7, 2017 at 5:00 P.M.

There were present: Councilmen Richard, Badeaux and Councilwoman Johnson.

There were also present: Mayor Tommy Eschete and Beau Brooks.

Absent: Councilman Tabor & Mire

The minutes of the January 17, 2017 City Council Meeting were approved as written.

Councilman Richard requested that a resolution be prepared establishing a moratorium on the issuance of any and all permits for the construction, replacement, renovation or repair of on premise internally illuminated or lighted signs on Canal Boulevard form East and West 7th Streets north to LA Hwy 1 for 60 days.

The purpose for the moratorium is to allow the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council the necessary time to prepare an amendment to Section 906 of the Zoning Ordinance that currently allows internally illuminated signs in R-3, R-4, RB, B-1 and CBD zoning districts. This is based on complaints by several citizens on Canal Boulevard that would like to prohibit internally illuminated signs.

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilwoman Johnson, the Council voted on an amendment to limit the moratorium to the RB Zoning District. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Richard, Johnson, Badeaux
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Tabor, Mire**

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilwoman Johnson, the Council voted on an amendment remove or repair from the resolution. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Richard, Johnson, Badeaux
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Tabor, Mire**

On motion of Councilwoman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Richard, the Council voted on an amendment to change 60 days to 90 days. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

**YEAS: Richard, Johnson, Badeaux
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Tabor, Mire**

On motion of Councilman Richard, seconded by Councilman Johnson, the Council voted on a resolution to establish a moratorium on the issuance of any and all permits for the new construction, replacement, renovation or repair of on premise internally illuminated or lighted signs on Canal Boulevard from East & West 7th Street north to LA Hwy 1 as amended. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Richard, Johnson, Badeaux

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Tabor, Mire

RESOLUTION NO. 2074

***A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON THE
ISSUANCE OF ANY AND ALL PERMITS FOR THE NEW
CONSTRUCTION, REPLACEMENT, OR RENOVATION OF ON-
PREMISE INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED OR LIGHTED SIGNS IN THE
RB ZONING DISTRICT***

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

WHEREAS, the City Council has received a request from several citizens on Canal Boulevard to perform a review of Section 906 of the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the allowance of internally illuminated and lighted signs in certain zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the proposed review of Section 906 of the Zoning Ordinance must be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission in order for them to make a recommendation to the City Council prior to the introduction of an ordinance to propose changes to that Section; and

WHEREAS, in order to allow the City Council and the Planning & Zoning Commission the time needed to study the provisions of Section 906 of the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the allowance of internally illuminated signs in R-3, R-4, RB, B-1, and CBD zoning districts, the City Council is hereby issuing a moratorium on the issuance of any and all permits for the construction, replacement, or renovation of on-premise internally illuminated or lighted signs in the RB Zoning District.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council of the City of Thibodaux does hereby issue a moratorium on the issuance of any and all permits for the construction, replacement, or renovation of on-premise internally illuminated or lighted signs in the RB Zoning District for ninety (90) days from the date of adoption of this resolution.

2. If upon the expiration of ninety (90) days from the date of adoption of this moratorium, the study has not been concluded the moratorium hereby imposed shall be reviewed to determine whether a basis exists to extend the moratorium for a further period of time.

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

YEAS: Richard, Johnson, Badeaux

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Tabor, Mire

And the above resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of February 2017.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Lloyd “Chip” Badaux
Lloyd “Chip” Badaux, President

Councilman Richard introduced an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Entity/State Agreement with LA DOTD and South Central Development Commission for the MPO paving projects on North Acadia Road, St. Patrick Highway and Ridgefield Road. The Public Hearing for this ordinance will be held at the Council meeting on February 21, 2017.

Councilwoman Johnson introduced an ordinance to amend and re-enact Section 2-12 of the Thibodaux City Code of Ordinances-Legal Department. The Public Hearing for this ordinance will be held at the Council meeting on February 21, 2017.

The Mayor updated the Council on the Eagle Park and Peltier Park Restroom Projects.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

Lloyd “Chip” Badaux, President