

**CITY OF CENTRAL
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, May 12, 2009, 6:00 P.M.
Kristenwood Building
14025 Greenwell Springs Road
City of Central, LA 70739**

MINUTES

I. Preliminary Business

- (1) Call to Order. *Mayor Watts called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.*
- (2) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. *Rev. Ron Erickson*
- (3) Roll Call. *Present – Council members, DeJohn, Lansing. Moak, Ross and Washington.*
- (4) Approval of minutes from the April 28, 2009 council meeting. *Motion was made by Councilwoman DeJohn to approve minutes. No objections. Minutes were approved as printed.*

II. Old Business

None

III. New Business

- (1) Mayor's report and presentations.
- (2) Report from CH2MHILL concerning an update of the services being provided to the city.

Mr. Tommy Higgs with CH2M Hill gave an update on the services provided to the City of Central by the Central Municipal Services Center and responded to questions by Council members.
- (3) Introduction of the following item(s) (with public hearing to be held at the April 28, 2009 council meeting):

None
- (4) Discussion and action regarding the following instrument(s):

(A) An Ordinance Granting unto Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C. and to its successors and assigns for a period of forty (40) years, the right, privilege and franchise to conduct within the City of Central, Louisiana, an electrical lighting and power business under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Public Service Commission, and to enter upon, erect, construct, maintain, operate, use, extend, repair, replace and remove in, under, upon, over, above, across, highways, parks, streets, lanes, and alleys and any other public areas and places of the City of Central, a system of works, underground conduits, poles, pole lines, towers, distribution lines, transmission lines, wires, guys, cable, conduits, transformers and other distribution and transmission instrumentalities, facilities and appurtenances (including telephone and telegraph poles and wires for Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C.'s use), necessary or proper for the generation, transmission and distribution of

electricity into, in, within, from, across, and through the City of Central, as now existing or as said city limits may hereafter be extended; and granting Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C., the authority to use such for the purpose of generation, transmission, distribution, delivery and sale of electricity to the municipality and to its inhabitants and to any other governmental agency, governmental subdivision, person, firm or corporation, wherever located within or without the city limits of the City of Central, to be used by such purchaser or purchasers, for lighting, cooling, heating, power or any other purpose or purposes for which electricity may be used; granting to said company the right to adopt reasonable rules and regulations, demand deposits, charge for installation and to prevent the resale of electricity by Grantee's customers; providing for certain payments by Grantee to City of Central; and providing regulations and conditions for the exercise of said right, privilege and franchise, and penalties for violation thereof. (Councilman Moak)

A motion was made by Councilman Moak to approve the ordinance with the amendments presented to the council members, seconded by Councilman Ross. Vote – 5 Yeas, 0 Nays. Motion passed.

(B) Discussion of Base Compensation for the Contract with CH2M HILL, INC. for the year beginning March 3, 2009. (by Councilman DeJohn)

A motion was made by Councilman Moak to amend the agenda to discuss approving Mayor Watts to execute the contract with CH2M HILL, INC. No objections. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

A motion was made by Councilman Moak to approve Mayor Watts to execute the contract with the first amendment to the contract with CH2M HILL, INC. as well as the base compensation of \$3,711,700.00, seconded by Councilwoman Lansing. No objections. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

(C) An ordinance amending the 2008-2009 budget appropriating the sum of \$2,500.00 for the purpose of the City of Central Gateway Enhancements, Transportation Enhancement Project, Phase I, conceptual design to be funded through the Green Light Plan one-half cent sales tax beautification and sidewalks fund. (by council members Lansing and Moak).

A motion was made by Councilman DeJohn to approve the ordinance. Vote – 4 Yeas, 1 Nay (Councilman Washington). Motion Passed.

IV. Zoning Cases

(1) Introduction of the following item(s) (with Public Hearing to be held at the May 26, 2009 council meeting):

None

(2) Discussion and Action regarding the following case(s):

None

V. Other Business

(1) Announcements

(2) Adjournment – *Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm*