

**For the Meeting of Mayor and Council
City of Zachary, LA
Council Chambers, 4700 Main Street
Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 6:30 P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McDavid called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m., on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at the Zachary City Hall located at 4700 Main Street, Zachary, LA.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation by Associate Pastor Scott McKenzie, First Baptist Church of Zachary
Pledge of Allegiance by Fire Chief Gordon Lipscomb

C. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

MAYOR

David McDavid

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Brandy Westmoreland – District 1, (departed at 8:41 p.m.)

John LeBlanc– District 2

Ambre DeVirgilio – District 3

James Graves – District 4

Jennifer Landry – District 5

2. READING OF CITY POLICY RELATIVE TO OPEN MEETINGS

Before proceeding with the meeting, Mayor McDavid read a statement into the record regarding the Open Meetings Law, and citizens’ right to participate in public meetings. The statement sets forth general rules of conduct of the public meeting and outlined the process through which a citizen can have items placed on the Council agenda. A copy of the rules is available at City Hall, Mayor’s Office or by calling the Clerk of the City Council. The rules will also be available at every Council meeting.

3. CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The motion was made by Councilwoman Landry

The motion was seconded by Councilman LeBlanc

To amend the agenda to move item I6b to item G1d.

YEAS: Westmoreland, LeBlanc, Landry

NAYS: DeVirgilio, Graves

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

D. READING OF THE MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes from March 24, 2026 regular meeting, and approve them as written.

The motion was made by Councilwoman DeVirgilio

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Landry
To approve minutes from March 24, 2026 regular meeting, and approve them as written.
YEAS: Westmoreland, LeBlanc, DeVirgilio, Graves, Landry
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

E. HONORS, RECOGNITIONS, AND INTRODUCTIONS

1. Mayor McDavid and council members recognized First Baptist of Zachary, Zachary Men’s Club, and Zachary Rotary Club for their outstanding beautification efforts during their Citywide Community Service Day on March 21st.

F. CONTRACT ITEMS/CONTRACTS OR ITEMS RELATING TO PROJECTS

1. **Street/Road Projects**
2. **Sewer**
3. **Subdivision Inspections**
4. **Water and Gas Projects**
5. **Other Projects**

G. PRESENTATION OF DELEGATIONS

1. Request to Speak

- a) Desiree Harris from Entergy to speak on hurricane awareness.
Matter passed.
- b) Presentation of cost of the decibel readers Zachary Police will be ordering.
This item was removed by Police Chief Lawrence
- c) Special event permit for Lane Foundation for Bourbon, BBQ & Wine Event at Lane Regional Medical Center for April 25, 2026.
The motion was made by Councilwoman DeVirgilio
The motion was seconded by Councilman LeBlanc

To approve a special event permit for Lane Foundation for Bourbon, BBQ & Wine Event at Lane Regional Medical Center for April 25, 2026.

YEAS: Westmoreland, LeBlanc, DeVirgilio, Graves, Landry
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None

AGENDA AMENDED

d) CUP 1-25 – Public Hearing to Consider Adverse Action on Conditional Use Permit Issued to 593 Motorsports Pursuant to UDC Section 14.420 (L)
The PUBLIC HEARING began at 6:50 p.m., Attorney Wilson addressed the Council regarding the rules for the public hearing. The following persons provided testimony: Mr. Ty Stephens, City of Zachary; Sergeant D’Esposito, Zachary PD; Robert Babin, 22350 W.J. Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA; Susan Staid, 21457 W.J. Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA Joanne Saale, 21407 W.J. Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA; Diane Fletcher, 21363 W.J. Wicker

Rd., Zachary, LA; Jud Corkern, 22177 W.J. Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA; Josh O'Neal, 2831 Rush St., Slaughter, LA 70777; Police Chief Lawrence; The following spoke after testimony was given; Donald Charlet, 1161 Memorial Square, Zachary, LA; Christy Corkern, 22177 W.J. Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA; Brian Hebert - 21875 W.J. Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA; Barry Corkern, 22283 WJ Wicker Rd. Zachary, LA; Joanne Saale 21407 WJ Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA; Larry Perkins, 21973 WJ Wicker Rd., Zachary, LA; Justin Cane, 15052 East Lake Front Dr., Gonzales, LA; Mel Landry, 12110 Cardinal Dr., Walker, LA; Jeff Ross, 1775 Ponche Rd., Greenwell Springs, LA; Glen Desselle, 21850 W.J. Wicker Rd. Zachary, LA; The PUBLIC HEARING closed at 8:35 p.m.

The motion was made by Councilwoman Westmoreland

The motion was seconded by Councilman LeBlanc

To revoke the **CUP 1-25** issued to 593 Motorsports.

YEAS: Westmoreland, LeBlanc, DeVirgilio

NAYS: Graves, Landry

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

2. **Hardship Waivers**
3. **Other Variances**
4. **Exceptions of Regulations**

H. ACTION MANDATED BY HOME RULE CHARTER

I. PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS

1. **Receive Minutes of the Regular meeting of _____ of the Planning Commission and the Minutes of the Regular meeting of _____, of the Zoning Commission.**
2. **Planning matters REQUIRING a Public Hearing**
3. **Planning Matters NOT requiring a Public Meeting**
4. **Zoning Matters REQUIRING a Public Hearing**
5. **Zoning Matters NOT Requiring Public Hearing**

Mr. D'Monda Hill, the newly appointed Planning and Zoning Director, introduced himself to the Council and community members. Mayor McDavid read Mr. Hill's biography and formally welcomed him to the city.

- a) **ZOI - CS-4-26 A.T. Brice Property (19190 Plank Road)** - Proposed flag lot minor subdivision located on the east side of Plank Road, north of Charlton Road, on property now or formerly known Tract A-1 of the A. T. Brice Property.

The motion was made by Councilman Graves

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman DeVirgilio

To approve a recommendation of no objection of **ZOI - CS-4-26 A.T. Brice Property (19190 Plank Road)** - Proposed flag lot minor subdivision located on the east side of Plank Road, north of Charlton Road, on property now or formerly known Tract A-1 of

the A. T. Brice Property.

YEAS: LeBlanc, DeVirgilio, Graves, Landry
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Westmoreland
ABSTAINED: None

- b) **ZOI - CS-5-26 Charles Ratcliff Property (6100 Zachary Slaughter Highway)** - Proposed flag lot minor subdivision located on the east side of Zachary Slaughter Highway, south of Hillcrest Drive, on property now or formerly known as Undesignated Tract of the Charles Ratliff Property.

The motion was made by Councilwoman DeVirgilio

The motion was seconded by Councilman LeBlanc

To approve a recommendation of no objection of **ZOI - CS-5-26 Charles Ratcliff Property (6100 Zachary Slaughter Highway)** - Proposed flag lot minor subdivision located on the east side of Zachary Slaughter Highway, south of Hillcrest Drive, on property now or formerly known as Undesignated Tract of the Charles Ratliff Property.

YEAS: LeBlanc, DeVirgilio, Graves, Landry
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Westmoreland
ABSTAINED: None

6. Other Matters

- a) Council discussion regarding Planning and Zoning Members attendance and communication with planning staff.

Councilman Graves requested that a public hearing be held at the April 28, 2026, council meeting to hear from Planning and Zoning Commissioner Jason Floyd and to review the duties and responsibilities of the Planning and Zoning Chairperson.

J. RECEIVE RECORD OF PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

- 1. Receive accounts payable report as of March 2026.

The motion was made by Councilwoman DeVirgilio

The motion was seconded by Councilman LeBlanc

To approve the receipt of accounts payable report as of March 2026.

YEAS: LeBlanc, DeVirgilio, Graves, Landry
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Westmoreland
ABSTAINED: None

K. BUDGET AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

L. OLD BUSINESS PENDING FOR FINAL ACTION

M. OLD BUSINESS PENDING

N. NEW BUSINESS

O. CONDEMNED BUILDINGS – PUBLIC HEARINGS OR OTHER ACTION REGARDING BUILDINGS BEING CONSIDERED FOR CONDEMNATION

P. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

1. Receive the March Monthly Inspection Report.

The motion was made by Councilwoman DeVirgilio

The motion was seconded by Councilman LeBlanc

To approve the receipt of the March Monthly Inspection Report.

YEAS: LeBlanc, DeVirgilio, Graves, Landry

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westmoreland

ABSTAINED: None

Q. COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS NOT ON AGENDA

(No Action May Be Taken Unless Declared an Emergency)

Ty Stephens, Code Enforcement, provided an update on administrative code enforcement.

R. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Karen Burdette
Clerk of City Council
CITY OF ZACHARY
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE
STATE OF LOUISIANA

CERTIFICATION

Karen Burdette
Clerk of the City Council
CITY OF ZACHARY
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE
STATE OF LOUISIANA

David McDavid, Mayor

I, Karen Burdette, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Clerk of the City Council for the City of Zachary, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

I further certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Zachary, Louisiana, held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, a proper quorum being there and then present.

Karen Burdette, Clerk of the City Council