

MINUTES

**CITY OF NEW ROADS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

April 7, 2026

The New Roads City Council met in regular session at 5:30 o'clock P.M. Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at the City Hall in New Roads, Louisiana. Mayor Theron Smith called the meeting to order. A roll call resulted as follows:

PRESENT: James Hunter, Cleotha Johnigan, Jr. , Kurt Kellerman, Joy Nelson and Kirk White

ABSENT: None

Notice of this meeting was duly exercised and mailed per bylaws:

Public comments on agenda items

There were no public comments.

Consent Calendar – Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of March 24, 2026

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 24, 2026 were submitted for approval.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Mr. Kellerman voiced concerns because the position wasn't advertised locally or nationally.

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Johnigan.

RESOLVED, That the minutes be adopted with the necessary changes.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Hunter, Johnigan, Nelson, Kellerman and White

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

Public Hearing – Discussion and approval of recommendation(s) of Planning & Zoning Commission

Ray James – 717 Louis Street – A conditional use permit application for the placement of a manufactured home at said address

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Johnigan.

RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission to issue a conditional use permit be approved.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Hunter, Johnigan, Nelson, Kellerman and White
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

L.J. Grezaffi, LJG Land Company, LLC – 2040 False River Drive – Application for a minor subdivision

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Kellerman.

RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning commission to grant the minor subdivision be approved.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Hunter, Johnigan, Kellerman, Nelson and White
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

Lucy Lieu, LLC/Ernest Peavy, III – 392-243 Hospital Road – Application for a major subdivision

Motion by Mr. Kellerman and seconded by Mr. Johnigan.

RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission to grant the major subdivision be approved.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Hunter, Johnigan, Nelson, Kellerman and White
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Hunter.

RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission to grant the rezoning request from C3 to RM be approved.

A roll call vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Hunter, Johnigan, Nelson, Kellerman and White
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

On a vote of 5-0-0-0, the motion carried.

Discussion of Condemned Properties

Florence Martin Estate c/o Theodore Franklin – 1107 New Roads Street

A representative of the Florence Martin Estate was not in attendance.

A'Lesha Gremillion – 1115 New Roads Street

Ms. Gremillion reported that condemnation of the property has been scheduled.

Barbara N. Lacour – 1303 Richey Street

Ms. Lacour contacted the Mayor to report that the house will be demolished and to request a demolition cost estimate.

Adele S. Robinson Estate – 1020 Court Street

The family plans to demolish the home and requested that the city prepare a demolition cost estimate.

James D. Boulanger Test. Trust – 1006 Court Street

A representative for the above property was not in attendance.

Mary Ann Myers – 724 Court Street

It was reported that the family has already started the rehabilitation process.

Frank Walker Estate – 722 Court Street

The attorney handling the estate has notified the city that the home will be repaired. He requested a copy of the inspector's report regarding the condition of the home.

Walter Warr, Jr. – 1405 St. Ann Street

Mr. Warr requested a timeline and a demolition cost estimate.

Virginia Meyer Estate – 1413 St. Ann Street

A representative of the Meyer Estate requested a time extension to rehabilitate the property.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Mayor's Report

There were no reports from the Mayor.

Mr. Kellerman asked that the engineers be asked to attend the next meeting.

He also reported that the residents of West End Drive have requested speed bumps.

Questioned the hours of operation of the public restrooms on Morrison Parkway.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Theron Smith
Mayor



Lynette H. Nelson
Secretary-Treasurer