

**CITY OF COVINGTON  
COVINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 19, 2011**

Council President Faust called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call was as follows:

**PRESENT:** Frances Dunn, Mark Sacco, Marty Benoit, Lee Alexius, Trey Blackall and Matt Faust

**ABSENT:** Clarence Romage

A Moment of Silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Councilman Sacco** requested that Item B (2011-04-04) be removed from the consent calendar. Councilman Sacco led a discussion on Item B.

**Councilman Sacco** made a motion to adopt the consent calendar with the removal of Item B (2011-04-04), seconded by Councilman Benoit. Roll call - Yeas: (3) Sacco, Benoit, Faust; Nays: (3) Alexius, Blackall, Dunn. Absent: Romage. The motion failed.

**APPEARERS-None.**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**Old Business**

**A. Items to be voted on:**

**1. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON ITEM 2011-03-02**

An Ordinance Declaring A Certain Servitude No Longer Needed For Public Purposes And Exchanged For Other Property Of Approximately Equal Value In The City Of Covington, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana For Planning Case 11-03-01 RSE (Alexius)

**Councilman Alexius** led a discussion concerning Item 2011-03-02.

**Councilman Sacco** made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilman Alexius. The public hearing was closed.

**Councilman Alexius** made a motion to adopt Item 2011-03-02, seconded by Councilman Benoit. Roll call was unanimous to adopt Item 2011-03-02. Absent: Romage. Item 2011-03-02 was adopted.

**B. Items for discussion:**

**1. Update on Garbage Contract (Faust)**

**Councilman Alexius** led a discussion on the garbage contract.

**New Business**

**A. Items to be voted on:**

**1. RESOLUTION 2011-04** – A Resolution of the City of Covington Designating National Community Development Week (Alexius)

**Councilman Alexius** led a discussion on this matter.

**Councilman Alexius** made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-04, seconded by Councilman Sacco. Roll call was unanimous to adopt the Resolution. Absent: Romage. Resolution 2011-04 was adopted.

**COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

**A. Council Committee Comments and Reports**

**1. Administrative Liaison**

**Councilman Alexius** led a discussion on sales tax collections and gave a synopsis of the Finance Committee meeting which was held this morning.

**(a) Historic Committee Update-None.**

**2. Community Development/Housing**

**Councilwoman Dunn** reminded everyone that the Church of Latter Day Saints will have its Annual Day of Service on Saturday, April 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the 900-1000 blocks of West 31<sup>st</sup>. Also, she thanked the National Guard for removing the concrete from the basketball court. Also, she commended Representative Schroder and representatives of the New Orleans Hornets and Chevron for their assistance in building the basketball court. Also, she reminded the public about the events held at the Trailhead.

**3. Economic Development-None.**

**4. Planning & Zoning, Annexation-**

**Councilman Alexius** gave an update on the BOA workshop and P&Z meeting which were held last night.

**5. Public Safety/Governmental Services-None.**

**6. Recreation-**

**Councilman Alexius** mentioned that there is a City Parks Oversight Committee meeting tomorrow at 1 p.m. in the conference room of the Council Chambers.

**7. Traffic and Transportation-**

**Councilman Benoit** led a discussion on the W. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue bridge project.

**B. Administrative Comments and Reports**

**1. Mayor-Did not attend meeting.**

**2. Alex J. Peragine, City Attorney-None.**

**Council President Faust** led a discussion concerning the Service Contract Committee meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Matthew T. Faust  
Council President

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Bonnie D. Champagne  
Clerk to the Council