

LAKESHORE CRIME PREVENTION DISTRICT

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners On March 6, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Lakeshore Crime Prevention District was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at Mt. Carmel Academy, 7027 Milne Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70124. All participants attended in person.

Commissioners Present: Byron Casey, Dieter Hugel, James Grevemberg, Susan Simon, Hilton Title, Bobby Malachias, Jacque Touzet and Bob Annoni .

Commissioners Absent : Ken Najder

Guests Present: James P Elferbasch(?) [Ellerbusch?], Anne Kiefer, Barry Simon, Chad Perez and Marcel Madere for Pinnacle Security.

Recording Secretary: Dieter M. Hugel

1) Call to order

Byron Casey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Casey confirmed the attendance of all commissioners listed above and that a quorum existed. Mr. Casey further confirmed that the public had been notified of the meeting in accordance with Louisiana's Open Meeting Laws.

2) Minutes From Prior Meeting

A motion was made by Byron Casey to waive the reading and accept the minutes for the meeting of January 3, 2024 as presented. James Grevemberg seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

3) Report Of Pinnacle Security

Chad Perez of Pinnacle Security presented the crime briefing. Mr. Perez discussed crime map discrepancies in which there were crimes reported on the map for which no actual crimes had occurred. Mr. Perez advised that there were 18 Resident Calls for the January - February time period as well as 128 Escorts. There were also 48 Residential Checks and 7 Residential Alarm. Mr. Perez also reported that there were 1 Suspicious Persons observed during the time period. Mr. Perez also advised of the Patrol Activity Reports there were 941 Created and 236 Citizen Contacts.

The next meeting was scheduled for May 1, 2024.

4) **LCPD Alumni Comments**

None

5) **Call of Neighborhood Election for November 2024**

Byron Casey noted that the authority of the District's Board to levy fees on neighborhood parcels was scheduled to lapse on December 31, 2024, and that such authority could only be extended upon the affirmative vote of the neighborhood's registered voters.

Mr. Casey presented to the Board a resolution requesting the City approve an election on November 5, 2024 for this purpose. After discussion, upon a motion made by Mr. Casey and seconded by Commissioner Simon, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9091.7, adopted by the Louisiana Legislature in 2004, created the Lakeshore Crime Prevention District and authorized the City of New Orleans to levy fees with respect to each parcel of real estate located within the District in order to support crime prevention within the District, subject to the periodic approval of such levies by the residents of the District;

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9091.7(F), the residents of the District affirmatively voted in favor of levying such parcel fees during certain specified periods, the most recent of which will lapse on December 31, 2024;

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9091.7(F) authorizes the City's taxing authorization to be approved for up to an additional four years upon receipt of the affirmative vote of a majority of the registered voters of the District voting on the matter at an election held for that purpose in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the District (the "Board") now desires to take action to extend the above-described taxing authorization on the terms set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby requests that the City of New Orleans call an election on November 5, 2024 to solicit the registered voters of the District to

approve the City's taxing authority under La. R.S. 33:9091.7(F) for a four-year period ending on December 31, 2028, subject to the terms and conditions specified on *Annex A*.

6) **Board Members Business Reports & Feedback**

Susan Simon presented the financial statements ending March 6, to the board with a motion to approve. Commissioner Simon noted that the audit fees had increased. Byron Casey seconded and the amended budget passed.

Byron Casey presented the questionnaire that had been sent to the board by the inspector general for the City of New Orleans, together with a draft of the District's replies. Mr. Casey motioned to accept the proposed responses and send to the City as completed. Dieter Hugel seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There was a discussion brought up by James Elferbasch(?) regarding teen age drivers harassing his Driver Education Students. Commissioner Tauzet advised he would discuss these actions with the parents and the teens.

7) **Adjournment:**

After confirming that there was no additional business meeting Byron Casey moved and Dieter Hugel seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M. The next meeting is to be held on May 1, 2024 at Mount Carmel Academy.

Dieter M. Hugel, Recording Secretary

Attachments: Annex A (Terms of the District's Election)
Financials
Notice of Meeting;

ANNEX A

TERMS OF THE DISTRICT'S ELECTION

Date of Election.....	November 5, 2024
Purpose	Solicit approval of the registered voters of the Lakeshore Crime Prevention District to approve the City's taxing authority under La. R.S. 33:9091.7(F) for the four-year period described below
Amount of Parcel Fees	Pursuant to La. R.S. 33:9091.7(F)(1), as amended to date, the fee shall not exceed \$420 per parcel per year, with the definitive amount for each particular calendar year being determined annually by the District's board via a duly-adopted resolution ¹
Length of Extension of Taxing Authority	Four year period, commencing on January 1, 2025 and ending on December 31, 2028
Purpose of Fees.....	To aid in crime prevention and the security of the District's residents
Annual Maximum Aggregate Gross Amount of Fees	\$275,940 (657 parcels x \$420) ¹
Precincts of Registered Voters in District	Portions of Precincts 22 and 23 located in Ward 4
Polling Station	Gymnasium at Edward Hynes Charter School, 990 Harrison Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70124

¹ Any change to the \$420 cap would require legislative approval.