

MINUTES
HOUMA-TERREBONNE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (HTRPC)
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 29, 2012

- A. The Chairman, Dr. L. A. “Budd” Cloutier, Jr., called to order the special meeting of November 29, 2012 of the Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission (HTRPC) at 6:00 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by him and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. James Erny.
- B. Upon Roll Call, present were: Dr. L.A. “Budd” Cloutier, Jr., Chairman; Mr. Richard Elfert; Mr. James Erny; Mr. Jeremy Kelley; Mr. Keith Kurtz; Mr. Alex Ostheimer, Vice Chairman; Mr. Gerald Schouest; Mr. Wayne Thibodeaux; and Mrs. Marsha Williams, Secretary/Treasurer. Absent at the time of Roll Call were: Mrs. Marsha Williams. Also present were Mr. Patrick Gordon, Director and Mr. Christopher Pulaski, Senior Planner, Department of Planning & Zoning and Laddie Freeman, Legal Advisor.
- C. Comprehensive Master Plan Update:
 - 1. Mr. Gordon stated they would be discussing Chapters 5-12. He stated he made the appropriate changes to Chapters 1-4 as detailed at the previous special meeting in October.
 - 2. Chapter 5 brought about discussion with regard to the Housing Element. Discussion ensued with regard to affordable housing, Fair Housing Regulations, and lower bayou communities repopulating and viability.
 - 3. Chapter 6 brought about discussion with regard to Essential Communities. Discussion ensued with regard to the number of unhealthy sewer systems in the parish.

James Erny left the meeting at this time – 6:42 pm

- 4. Chapter 7 brought about discussion with regard to Environmental Issues and Hazard Mitigation. Discussion ensued with regard to overspray from fabrication yards.
 - 5. Chapter 8 brought about discussion with regard to Public Facilities and Services.
 - 6. Chapter 9 brought about discussion with regard to The Historic Center of Downtown Houma.
 - 7. Chapter 10 brought about discussion with regard to Regional Coordination Opportunities and Policies.
 - 8. Chapter 11 brought about discussion with regard to Capital Improvement Priorities.
 - 9. Chapter 12 brought about discussion with regard to the Action Plan of the Comprehensive Plan Update.
 - 10. Mr. Ostheimer moved, seconded Mr. Schouest: “THAT the HTRPC accept and approved the Comprehensive Master Plan Update and forward to the Terrebonne Parish Council.”

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. Ostheimer. THERE WAS RECORDED: YEAS: Mr. Elfert, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kurtz, Mr. Ostheimer, Mr. Schouest, Mr. Thibodeaux, and Mrs. Williams; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Dr. Cloutier; ABSENT: Mr. Erny. THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MOTION ADOPTED.
- D. COMMISSION COMMENTS:
 - 1. Planning Commissioners’ Comments:
 - a) Mr. Ostheimer discussed the overall plan and stated not everyone can be satisfied. Mr. Gordon reiterated that the plan was not a regulatory document and it was just a planning document to use as a guide in planning.
 - b) Mr. Thibodeaux recognized School Board Member Rickie Pitre in the audience.
 - 2. Chairman’s Comments: None.
- E. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
 - 1. The Chairman recognized Mr. Rickie Pitre, 3333 Highway 316, School Board Member, who discussed existing taxes and where they are going and rededicating those taxes. He also spoke of 42 facilities with new roofs.

- F. Mr. Kelley moved, seconded Mr. Schouest: “THAT there being no further business to come before the Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission, the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m.”

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. Kelley. THERE WAS RECORDED: YEAS: Mr. Elfert, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kurtz, Mr. Ostheimer, Mr. Schouest, Mr. Thibodeaux, and Mrs. Williams; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Dr. Cloutier; ABSENT: Mr. Erny. THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MOTION ADOPTED.

*Becky M. Becnel, Minute Clerk
Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission*