The Mayor and City Council of the City of Abbeville met in special session on October 4, 2022 at 5:00 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Roslyn R. White, Mayor presiding.

Members Present:	Council Members, Carlton Campbell, Terry Broussard, Brady Broussard, Jr., Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Tony Hardy
Members Absent:	None
Also, Present:	Bart Broussard, City Attorney Sarah Alpough, Director of Revenue, Regulatory Codes & Permits Jude Mire, Fire Chief Allie Horton, Digital Media Assistant Twyla Lewis Alma Lively DeJean

Mayor White called the special City Council meeting to order. She stated that we are here for this special meeting in order to conduct a hearing on two properties that are being recommended for condemnation. Mayor White asked if there were any comments from the public on any agenda item prior to action. There were none.

<u>1106 Vernon Street</u> – Ms. Twyla Lewis appeared on behalf of her mother, Dianne Lewis, about the property. Councilwoman Broussard stated that they have pictures of the structures and the windows are out and the back of the structure is nearly torn off. She asked Ms. Lewis what her intentions are regarding the mobile home. Ms. Lewis stated that the windows are out because someone broke in and stole the air conditioner. They have not yet had a chance to repair that. The issue of the back happened during a storm in 2018. A tree fell on top of it. The tree belonged to the neighbor. Her mother decided to tear the back room down. Councilwoman Broussard stated that the windows need to be boarded and that back part needs to be torn down. She asked how soon could that be done. Ms. Lewis stated they can take care of boarding up the windows very soon but the back will take more time. Councilwoman Broussard stated that there are people in and out of the mobile home. Ms. Lewis stated that this happened three times but it was family that did it. Mayor White asked if there is anyone living in the mobile home. Ms. Lewis stated that her nephew goes back and forth and there are utilities connected there. Ms. Lewis stated that she can get the windows boarded up tomorrow and she requested two weeks to tear the back portion down. Councilwoman Broussard stated that she would give her the rest of October to tear that down. Mayor White asked Ms. Lewis to notify tax and permit when the work is completed so they can go out and inspect it.

-01 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to grant the owner of 1106 Vernon Street until the end of October 2022 to tear down the back portion of the mobile home and to allow her until tomorrow to board up the windows. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>**1306**</u> E. Lafayette Street – Ms. Alma Lively DeJean appeared to represent the property. Councilman Broussard stated that the property has been condemned by the Public Works Director and it is detracting from the property values of the neighboring properties. Properties such as this become havens for drug users and homeless people. He asked Ms. DeJean's plans for demolition and removal of the structure. Ms. DeJean stated that she has family coming down for Thanksgiving so they are planning to demolish it on November 26, 2022. They have lined up a dumpster to remove the materials after it is demolished. Sarah stated that Ms. DeJean should start the permit process now because all utilities have to be secured prior to the commencement of demolition. The gas company takes a long time to disconnect utilities.

-02 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to grant Ms. DeJean until November 26, 2022 to demolish and remove the structure contingent upon all utilities being secured and that she begins the permit process now. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor White declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk Secretary-Treasurer Roslyn R. White Mayor