
THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons was held in the Courtroom at City Hall at 6:16 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2025. Mayor Mark A. Moore, Sr. presided.

Roll call was as follows:

Present: Angela Tappin (District A), Henry Doaty, (District B), James Green (District C),
Howard Loche (District E)

Absent: Darry Green, (District D)

The Invocation was given by Mayor Moore. Mr. J. Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A Moment of Silence was given for former Councilman Arthur Hamlin and Ms. Fannie Griggs.

The Rules of Order were suspended to expand the agenda to discuss documents for the Solar Panel Industry in the City of Bastrop on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. Loche, followed by a unanimous vote.

Ms. Rose Thompson, 120 Parkhurst, asked why the Solar Panel Industry has come to Bastrop. Mr. Charles Bradford, 1320 North Washington Street, also asked for answers regarding the Solar Panel Industry. Mr. Tony Miles, 611 Pearl Street, asked for an update on his requests to recognize former Mayor Henry Cotton's birthday as a holiday and to rename the airport the Henry Charles Cotton Memorial Airport.

Ms. Tappin said she was pleased the road at Highland and Country Club is open and thanked the Mayor for his efforts. Mayor Moore thanked City workers and Ms. Susan Plonnigs and volunteers for their efforts preparing for Governor Jeff Landry's visit. Ms. Susan Plonnigs, president of the Bastrop Retail Association, thanked the Mayor and City workers for their efforts preceding the Governor's visit. Ms. Cindy Hendrix thanked the City also. Mr. Charles Bradford thanked the City for allowing freedom of speech ahead of the Governor's visit. Mr. J. Green thanked the team for the transformation ahead of the Governor's visit. Mr. Doaty commended the Mayor and City workers and community members for cleanup efforts in the City. Mr. Doaty gave comments regarding an incident on West Madison. Mr. Loche commented that the matter was handled and is no longer an issue.

The Mayor presented an award to Marshal Lisa Chafford for 30 years of service. Mayor Moore also presented service awards to Deputy Marshal Drena Young and Chief Deputy Marshal Kenny Jones.

The Regular Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2025, were accepted on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. J. Green, followed by a unanimous vote.

The Finance Committee Report for September 2025 was accepted on a motion by Mr. J. Green, seconded by Mr. Doaty and Mr. Loche, followed by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Jones announced the Planning and Zoning Commission will resume its meetings October 20, 2025. Mr. J. Green asked the record to reflect that membership of the Commission has been tabled. The Commission will recommend only.

The Rules of Order were suspended on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. Loche, followed by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Tony Miles was allowed to move up on the Meeting Agenda on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. Doaty, followed by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Tony Miles asked for an update on his request to declare the birthday of former Mayor Henry Charles Cotton a city holiday and to rename the Morehouse Memorial Airport the Henry Charles Cotton Memorial Airport. The Mayor commented that the proposal is under consideration.

Mr. J. Green asked about the logistics needed to fully operate the Bastrop Police Department without supplemental Sheriff patrols. Mayor Moore stated the City is addressing the matter. Police Chief Leondrio Reed explained the number of police personnel currently working and the number of personnel needed.

Attorney Devin Jones reported five dozen properties were cited by Code Enforcement. The Hearing Officer is up to date with the cases and there will be several properties in Environmental Court.

Resolution 25-2111, appointing Sharon Green as Civil Service Member, was tabled on a motion by Mr. J. Green, seconded by Mr. Doaty and Mr. Loche, followed by a unanimous vote.

Resolution 25-2114, adopting an operating budget for revenue and expenditures for the sewer use fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, was approved on a motion by Mr. Doaty, seconded by Mr. J. Green, followed by a unanimous vote.

The Council entered into executive session at 7:24 p.m. to discuss litigation Frank Lavall et. al versus the Bastrop Board of Alderman et. Al (Morehouse Parish 2025-300) on a motion by Mr. J. Green, seconded by Mr. Doaty, followed by a unanimous vote.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:58 p.m. Roll call was as follows:

Present: Angela Tappin (District A), Henry Doaty, (District B), James Green (District C),
Howard Loche (District E)
Absent: Darry Green, (District D)

Resolution 25-2115, approving the settlement of Frank Lavall et. al versus The Board of Alderman, et. al (Morehouse Parish 2025-300), was made on a motion by Mr. Loche, seconded by Mr. Doaty, followed by a unanimous vote. Attorney Jones asked that the record reflect that Mayor Moore did not participate in the discussion as he was a defendant in the case before his term in office began.

The Special Use Permit for the property located at 131 Elm Street was approved on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. Doaty and Mr. Loche, followed by a unanimous vote.

The agenda was expanded to discuss DRA funding on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. Loche, followed by a unanimous vote.

Resolution 25-2116, to approve the City of Bastrop to apply for blighted property grant funds from the Louisiana Community Development Clearance Program was approved on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. J. Green, followed by a unanimous vote.

The Council discussed District E (H. Loche) CEA for Keep Morehouse Beautiful to reimburse 50% of costs to demolish 2201 West Madison Avenue.

During discussion, Mr. Doaty left the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

The District E (H. Loche) CEA for Keep Morehouse Beautiful to reimburse 50% of costs to demolish 2201 West Madison Avenue was approved on a motion by Mr. Loche, seconded by Ms. Tappin, followed by a vote of three. Mr. Doaty was not present during the vote.

The Council discussed the Solar Panel Industry in the City. Attorney Jones explained that considering the moratorium, no direct work with solar panels is being done. No permits are currently needed.

During discussion, Mr. Doaty returned to the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Resolution 25-2117, a resolution to authorize the submission of an application by the City of Bastrop, Louisiana, for a states' Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) project **“Martin Luther King Street: Infrastructure Improvements to the Main plant Sewer Plant System”**, including a commitment for that portion of the project costs to be funded by the City of Bastrop; and, if awarded to enter into a grant contract and to execute any and all further documentation either necessary or appropriate to accept that grant, and thereafter to proceed with that project; and to otherwise with respect thereto, was approved on the motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. J. Green, followed by a unanimous vote.

The following establishments were approved for liquor license renewals on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. J. Green, followed by a unanimous vote:

Specialty Daiquiri & Spirits 1923 North Washington Street	Class B (Retail Dealer, On Premises)	\$500.00
Sissy's U Pack It 1630 East Madison Avenue	Class A (Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)	\$60.00
Porter House Liquor 1851 North Washington Street	Class A (Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)	\$400.00
Super Mart II 1920 North Washington Street	Class A (Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)	\$400.00
Stop4U 1920 North Washington Street	Class A (Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)	\$400.00
Walmart Louisiana LLC 6091 Mer Rouge Road	Class A (Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)	\$400.00
Circle K Store, Inc. 1514 East Madison Avenue	Class A (Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)	\$400.00
US Tobacco Outlet 1416 East Madison Avenue	Class A (Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)	\$400.00
Super 1 Foods #603	Class A	\$400.00

2211 East Madison	(Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)
Stop N Save	Class A \$400.00
1405 South Washington Street	(Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)
Tobacco Maxx	Class A \$400.00
1421 South Washington Street	(Retail Dealer, Off Premises Only)

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Tappin, seconded by Mr. Loche, followed by a unanimous vote.