



Media Advisory

August 19, 2009

**New Orleans City Council Meets in Regular Session  
Thursday, August 20th at 10 a.m.  
Agenda Highlights Listed Below**

**What:** Among the items to be addressed at tomorrow's New Orleans City Council Meeting:

- Resolution supporting the application of the Port of New Orleans to use an Alternative Site Plan to more rapidly respond to International business needs
- Resolution expressing support for the Louisiana Dept. of Health and Hospitals, the Louisiana Public Health Initiative, and numerous public and private not-for-profit organizations for the work to provide affordable health care to the uninsured and underinsured in the Greater New Orleans region through the Primary Care Access and Stabilization Grant, and supporting efforts to create sustainable financing for high-quality community-based healthcare
- Ordinance to permit the expansion of an existing fire station (Engine House 36) and the relocation and expansion of a police station (7th District)
- Ordinances to establish penalties for collection costs relative to outstanding liens, and establishing, as part of the City's process for collection of liens, that any payment submitted for property taxes will first be applied to any outstanding liens
- Resolution expressing support for the Coastal Restoration Enhancement Science Technology (CREST) Program and urging the state's Congressional Delegation to work to ensure continued funding of this program
- Resolution and Presentation honoring and celebrating the life of Mr. John M. Glapion

- Resolution recognizing all those who have been instrumental in the formation of the Batiste Family International School of Fine and Performing Arts at Live Oak Elementary
- Presentation from ERACE Executive Board Members, updating the Council on the ERACE program initiative

To view the Meeting Agenda click [here](#).

**When:** Thursday, August 20, 2009  
10 a.m.

**Where:** City Council Chamber

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#### New Orleans City Council

The New Orleans City Council is the legislative branch of New Orleans city government. The Council considers and enacts all local laws that govern the City of New Orleans. The Council also approves the operating and capital budgets for the City, as recommended by the mayor, and continually monitors revenues and expenditures for local government operations. The City Council is also the regulatory body for public utilities. It also reviews and has final say on many land use and zoning matters, as well as considers major economic development projects for the City. As a Board of Review for Orleans Parish, the Council examines appeals of property tax assessments for real estate taxes, and certifies tax rolls to the Louisiana Tax Commission. Other responsibilities of the Council include overseeing the operation of the public access television in Orleans Parish.

The City Council is comprised of five districts and two councilmembers-at-large. Council President and Councilmember-at-Large Arnie Fielkow; Council Vice President and Councilmember-at-Large Jacquelyn Brechtel Clarkson; District "A" Councilmember Shelley Midura; District "B" Councilmember Stacy Head; District "C" Councilmember James Carter; District "D" Councilmember Cynthia Hedge-Morrell; and District "E" Councilmember Cynthia Willard-Lewis.