

On motion by **Councilman Miller** and seconded by **Councilman Hinyub**, the following emergency ordinance was adopted:

**ORDINANCE NO. 4943**

**An emergency ordinance declaring a citywide hardship relative to temporary housing; Procedures to establish same and for related matters.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gretna has an interest in the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, as the City of Gretna struggles to recover from the devastating effects of Hurricane Ida and possible subsequent storms, the city realizes the massive rebuilding efforts faced by its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, many residents face the daunting task of major repairs to their homes which in many cases are not fit for habitation; and

**WHEREAS**, many residents are not financially able to secure alternate living arrangements while said home repairs are being made; and

**WHEREAS**, the city recognizes the need for residents and their families to secure whatever living quarters may be feasible for the time period needed to make the necessary repairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the City recognizes and acknowledges the potential of mobile homes, recreational vehicles, trailers, campers, and similar structures to serve as temporary housing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Gretna, acting as legislative authority for said City, that:

- 1) A state of emergency exists in the City of Gretna due to the effects of Hurricane Ida.**
- 2) A hardship exists in the entire City of Gretna relative to home repairs and the need for temporary housing.**
- 3) Given the above, the city declares hardship for temporary housing to exist for the duration of said public emergency.**
- 4) In order to use a mobile home, trailer, camper, recreational vehicle, or other such structure as temporary housing, a special permit must be obtained. All fees associated with said permit shall be waived.**
- 5) In order to obtain such a permit, property owners must have ongoing repairs to their home or business.**
- 6) All mobile homes, recreational vehicles, campers, etc. must be located on private property and meet all applicable setbacks for accessory buildings.**
- 7) All mobile homes, trailers, recreational vehicles, campers, or other facilities being used for temporary housing shall have appropriate utility hook ups as determined by the Regulatory department.**
- 8) This state of hardship shall be in effect as long as the City of Gretna maintains a state of emergency in the city and declares by resolution at the end of such emergency that the hardship period will expire in 120-days.**

Provided that a majority of the Gretna City Council have voted in favor of this ordinance, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency and shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

This ordinance having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: **Councilmen Miller, Hinyub, Rau, Smith, and Berthelot**

Nays: None

Absent: None

**This ordinance was declared adopted on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021.**

**/S/ NORMA J. CRUZ, CMC**  
**CITY CLERK**  
**CITY OF GRETNA**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**/S/ BELINDA C. CONSTANT**  
**MAYOR**  
**CITY OF GRETNA**  
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