

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR
MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2023.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session in the City Council Chambers, on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. Honorable Lee Rubin, Chuck Fowler, Cynthia Perry, Gary Johnson, Jim Villard, Lizzie Felter and REDDEX Washington. Also present were Kay Michaels, City Attorney Jonathan Goins, Michael Caffery and Council Staff.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, State of Louisiana was duly convened as the governing authority of said City by the Honorable Lee Rubin, who stated that the Council was ready for the transaction of business. The invocation was pronounced by Ms. Perry and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Washington.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the minutes taken from a regular Council Meeting held on January 24, 2023 were unanimously approved by the Council.

RESOLUTION

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0352-2023

RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL TAX THEREIN; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Council next read all items found under the heading Consent Calendar and assigned them to committees.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption or introduction of all items appearing under the heading Consent Calendar.

Mr. Villard seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried by the Council.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PROMOTE THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA BY ENTERING INTO ALL CONTRACTS WITH BANDS AND/OR VENDORS FOR DOWNTOWN ROCKS, RIVER FETE, ROCK ON THE RED AND WINTER FETE IN 2023 AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA AND CENTRAL LOUISIANA HUMAN SERVICES DISTRICT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 286-2003, §II; AND, TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 37-2013, RELATIVE TO APPOINTMENTS AND TERMS OF OFFICE FOR COMMISSIONERS OF THE GREATER ALEXANDRIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ("GAEDA") DISTRICT COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FOR APPOINTMENTS TO AND REMOVAL OR REPLACEMENT OF GAEDA DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS BY MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL; TO PROVIDE FOR OFFICERS FOR THE DISTRICT AND OTHERWISE TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH STEM NOLA FOR STEM SATURDAY PROGRAMMING AND A FOUR-WEEK STEM CAMP AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH REGARD TO ENGINEERING SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA AND MONCEAUX-BULLER AND ASSOCIATES, LLC AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN ITEMS AS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED OR USED BY CITY DEPARTMENTS, TO BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC AUCTION SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023 AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2119 ENGLAND DRIVE FROM B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO MF-1 (MULTIFAMILY LOW DENSITY) TO ALLOW FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN AFFORDABLE MULTIFAMILY APARTMENT COMPLEX. AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following ordinance was introduced to wit:

AN ORDINANCE RE-ZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4721 SOUTH MACARTHUR DRIVE FROM C-2(GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) TO MF-3(MULTIFAMILY HIGH DENSITY) TO ALLOW FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN AFFORDABLE MULTIFAMILY APARTMENT COMPLEX AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon request from the Administration, and a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the following was removed from the agenda:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR ADAMS TANK REPAIR AND PAINT.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0353-2023

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING DAVID R. GILL AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND CHIEF OF STAFF AND OPERATIONS.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Villard moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Fowler.

RESOLUTION NO. 0354-2023

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING LISA HARRIS AS DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin, Fowler, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0355-2023

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING TONYA CORLEY AS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0356-2023

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING RICHARD JOHNSON AS DIRECTOR OF PLANNING.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Ms. Perry.

RESOLUTION NO. 0357-2023

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING JONATHAN GOINS AS CITY ATTORNEY CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0358-2023

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MICHAEL MARCOTTE AS DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0359-2023

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2022 MUNICIPAL WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION AUDIT.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0360-2023

RESOLUTION TO CO-SPONSOR A FREE YOUTH SYMPOSIUM ON MARCH 25, 2023 AT BOLTON AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTER IN CONJUNCTION WITH MU ETA SIGMA CHAPTER OF SIGMA GAMMA RHO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTION NO. 0361-2023

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR HERBICIDES.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Johnson.

RESOLUTION NO. 0362-2023

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE MATERIALS.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Mr. Fowler moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Washington.

RESOLUTION NO. 0363-2023

RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 21, 2023 TO CONSIDER CONDEMNATION OF 25 STRUCTURES WITHIN THE CITY.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION
SUBJECT TO A PUBLIC HEARING

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 7-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PHASE 1 SITE DEMOLITION AND CLEARANCE FOR TIGER AND SIAMANG HABITAT AND

RESTAURANT DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT
THERE TO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted
as follows:

YEAS: Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin, Fowler, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of
February, 2023.

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for
publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was
brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by
Mr. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 8-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID
SUBMITTED FOR LOUISIANA WATERSHED INITIATIVE PROJECT
HORSESHOE CANAL HARDENING AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT
THERE TO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted
as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

ORDINANCE NO. 9-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH LINETEC SERVICES FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin, Fowler, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

ORDINANCE NO. 10-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH TEECO SAFETY, INC., AND DANA SAFETY SUPPLY FOR POLICE UNIFORM ACCESSORIES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin, Fowler, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 11-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM CLEAN EARTH ENVIRONMENT SOLUTIONS, INC., FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SERVICES FOR THE UTILITY AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISIONS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin, Fowler, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST QUOTE RECEIVED FROM CBS CLEANING SERVICE FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE WASTEWATER AND LAB DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ARC RAPIDES FOR CLEANING SERVICES AT FRANK O. HUNTER GYM AND THE TEEN CENTER ON SYLVESTER STREET AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

The following ordinance, which was previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto, was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Felter.

ORDINANCE NO. 14-2023

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONSULTANT AGREEMENT WITH ATG TO PROVIDE FTA GUIDANCE AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR ALL FTA APPROVED PROGRAMS AND TRAMS MANAGEMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Johnson, Villard, Felter, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7th day of February, 2023.

The president adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

/S/ Lee Rubin

President

ATTEST:

/S/Donna P. Jones

City Clerk