

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 11, 2022.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable, James "Jim" Villard, Chuck Fowler, Cynthia Perry, Lee Rubin, Catherine Davidson, Gerber Porter and REDDEX Washington. Also present were Mayor Hall, City Attorney Shane Williams 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 Jim Villard, who stated that the Council was ready for the transaction of business. The Invocation was pronounced by Mr. Rubin and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Villard.

RESOLUTIONS-ELECTION

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0236-2022

RESOLUTION ELECTING CATHERINE DAVIDSON AS PRESIDENT OF THE ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL.

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

YEAS: Perry, Villard, Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION ELECTING REDDEX WASHINGTON AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL.

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

YEAS: Perry, Rubin, Washington.

NAYS: Davidson, Porter, Villard, Fowler.

ABSENT: None.

This item failed.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0237-2022

RESOLUTION ELECTING JIM VILLARD AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL.

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

YEAS: Davidson, Porter, Villard, Fowler.

NAYS: Washington, Perry, Rubin.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

Mr. Villard passed the gavel to Ms. Davidson who presided over the remainder of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held December 14, 2021 were unanimously approved by the Council.

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 of Consent Calendar.

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

Bids were received for 40 Foot telescopic articulating aerial device.

Name of Bidders

Altec

St. Martin Parish Acquisitions, LLC

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) 40-FOOT TELESCOPIC ARTICULATING AERIAL DEVICE (BUCKET TRUCK) AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for operating supplies for the Gas Department.

Name of Bidders

Coburn Supply

Ferguson Water Works

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR OPERATING SUPPLIES FOR THE GAS DEPARTMENT 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 RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH LINETEC SERVICES FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE SERVICES 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 5, 2022 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 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 147-1991 RELATIVE TO AN ANNEXATION TO CLARIFY AND DESIGNATE AN APPROPRIATE ZONING DISTRICT DESIGNATION FOR THE CABANA MOBILE HOME ESTATES PROPERTY PARCEL ANNEXED AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO 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 PROMOTE THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA BY ENTERING INTO ALL CONTRACTS FOR DOWNTOWN ROCKS WITH BANDS AND/OR VENDORS RELATED TO THE EVENT AND NECESSARY FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO 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 PROMOTE THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA BY ENTERING INTO ALL CONTRACTS FOR ALEXANDRIA RIVER FETE WITH BANDS AND/OR VENDORS RELATED TO THE EVENT AND NECESSARY FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO 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 WITH THE MANNA HOUSE APT PROFESSIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 2022 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 EXECUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 3 FOR MASONIC DRIVE CORRIDOR ENHANCEMENTS, PHASE 2 FOR ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 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 2021-2022 MAJOR BUDGET AMENDMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0238-2022

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR A MINIMUM OF ONE REAR LOADING REFUSE TRUCK 25 CUBIC YARD CAPACITY.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0239-2022

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR DIGITAL FULL-COLOR PRINTING PRESS FOR THE PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0240-2022

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR CAST/DUCTILE IRON AND RELATED ACCESSORIES.

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

YEAS: Villard, Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin, Perry.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0241-2022

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR OPERATING SUPPLIES FOR THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION
SUBJECT TO 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. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 1-2022

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR FUEL BULK FOR VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

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. 2-2022

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH SCRD WOOD PRODUCTS, LLC FOR MIXED DEBRIS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

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. 3-2022

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CGI COMMUNICATIONS TO PRODUCE A PROMOTIONAL VIDEO FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Rubin, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: Washington.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

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.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TJC GROUP FOR CONSULTING SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington.

ABSENT: None.

This item failed.

Upon request from the Administration, the following item was removed from the agenda:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A POLE JOINT USE AGREEMENT WITH VEXUS FIBER AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

AUDIT REPORT

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the Audit Report was received and assigned to Committee.

PUBLIC HEARING

On a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fowler the Public Hearing was opened at 5:18 p.m.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0242-2022

RESOLUTION TAKING ACTION ON STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 5019 WELLS BLVD AND 706/708 LEE STREET.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Davidson, Washington, Rubin, Perry, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 11th day of January, 2022.

On a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fowler the Public Hearing was closed at 5:21 p.m.

/S/ Catherine Davidson

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk