

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 12, 2021.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable James "Jim" Villard, REDDEX Washington, Lee Rubin and Cynthia Perry. Harry Silver and Gerber Porter attended electronically. Chuck Fowler was absent. 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. Shane Williams and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Washington.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held December 22, 2020 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. Rubin moved for the adoption or introduction of all items appearing under the heading of Consent Calendar.

Mrs. Perry seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried by the Council.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST BID SUBMITTED FOR JOHNNY DOWNS SPORTS COMPLEX REJUVENATION PROJECT CONTRACT "C" BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FIELDS AND FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry 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 TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2021 AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND EMERGENCY UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO ADD CV-3 FUNDING AND INCREASE PER HOUSEHOLD AWARD IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 THROUGH A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CENLA COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH QUALIFYING BUSINESSES FOR LEASING OF SPACE AT 1501 WIMBLEDON BOULEVARD AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE RAPIDES PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND VARIOUS PARTICIPATING PUBLIC AGENCIES RELATED TO THE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM- LPR (LICENSE PLATE READER) GRANT PROGRAM AND PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE 2020-2021 MAJOR BUDGET AMENDMENT AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0115-2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR SOCCER EQUIPMENT.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Perry, Villard, Silver, Washington.

NAYS: Porter.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 12th day of January 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0116-2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR TENNIS COURT FENCING REPAIRS.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Perry, Villard, Silver, Washington.

NAYS: Porter.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 12th day of January 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0117-2021

RESOLUTION TO SUBSTANTIALLY AMEND BUDGETS AND GOALS TO HUD'S 2020-2024 FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Perry, Villard, Porter, Silver, Washington.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 12th day of January 2021.

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. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Washington.

ORDINANCE NO. 1-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM LINETEC SERVICES, LLC FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Perry, Villard, Porter, Silver, Washington.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 12th day of January 2021.

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. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Washington.

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST QUOTE RECEIVED FROM SCRD WOOD PRODUCTS, LLC FOR MIXED DEBRIS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Perry, Villard, Porter, Silver, Washington.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 12th day of January 2021.

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. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO CO-SPONSOR MANNA HOUSE APT PROFESSIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 2021 AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Perry, Villard, Porter, Silver, Washington.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 12th day of January 2021.

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0118-2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SHANE WILLIAMS AS CITY ATTORNEY.

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

YEAS: Washington, Rubin, Perry, Villard, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 12th day of January 2021.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Washington the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT POLICY GUIDELINE FOR HUD FUNDED AFFORDABLE SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH CLEAN EARTH FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE TRANSPORTING, DISPOSAL AND RECLAMATION SERVICES AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Washington the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH WARSILA NORTH AMERICAN, INC. FOR RICE SPARE PARTS FOR DG HUNTER AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR CHATLIN LAKE CANAL BACKWATER OVERFLOW RELIEF STRUCTURE TO RED RIVER AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR CHATLIN LAKE CANAL HARDENING AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR HORSESHOE CANAL HARDENING AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Washington the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR HYNSON BAYOU HARDENING AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mrs. Perry the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR DOT OPERATOR QUALIFICATION PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

COMMITTEES

There were no reports from Finance Committee, Legal Affairs Committee, Utility Committee, Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee, Economic, Workforce and Planning Development Committee, Community Affairs, Services and Events Committee and A&E Committee.

Personnel/Insurance Committee Chair, Mr. Porter asked all to reflect on the loss of Mr. Ed Larvadain, Jr., a Civil Rights Icon from Alexandria, La.

Property and Zoning Committee Chair, Mr. Washington stated that he would be giving a presentation on Louisiana State Statute 47 in Committee in two weeks.

/S/ James Villard

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk