

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE 23, 2020.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable Jules Green, Malcolm Larvadain, Jim Villard, Chuck Fowler, Gerber Porter, Joe Fuller. Harry Silver was absent. Also present were Mayor Hall, City Attorney David 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 Jules Green, 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. Villard.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Fuller the Council unanimously agreed to enter Executive session at 5:05 p.m. on the following items:

Held pursuant to R.S. 42:17 (A) (2) on the following items:

- a) To consider a report and recommendation from the City Attorney in the matter of the Civil Suite No. 257,042 Tina Best v. Mashack McCall, City of Alexandria, and State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, et al in the Division "E" 9th Judicial District Court Parish of Rapides, State of Louisiana.
- b) To consider a report and recommendation from the City Attorney in the matter of Daquarious D. Brown v. City of Alexandria, Louisiana, Jerrod D. King, Bobby G. Branton, Jr., Thomas J. Rodney, Carla J. Whitstine, and Kenneth E. Rachal, Case #1:20-CV-00541.

On a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fuller the Council unanimously agreed to exit Executive session at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fuller the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held June 9, 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. Fuller 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.

On a motion of Mr. Fuller 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 CENLA COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE TO ASSIST WITH UTILITY FUND AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSALS FOR ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION EMERGENCY SERVICES AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND FUNDING FOR CARES ACT, PHASE I IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL OF THE CITY-OWNED CONFEDERATE MONUMENT LOCATED AT THE RAPIDES PARISH COURTHOUSE AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0055-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE EMERGENCY CONDEMNATION RAZED ORDER PROCESS.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard, Fowler, Porter.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

Upon request of the Council, the following item was removed from the agenda:

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CONFEDERATE STATUTE LOCATED ON THE GROUNDS OF THE RAPIDES PARISH COURTHOUSE AS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED OR USED BY THE CITY AND TO BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC AUCTION.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0056-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF HUD'S 2020-2024 FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN, 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND 2020-2029 REVITALIZATION MAP.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard, Fowler, Porter.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0057-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE A DECLARATORY ACTION AGAINST ALL INTERESTED PARTIES TO DECLARE OWNERSHIP OF THE CONFEDERATE STATUE MONUMENT AND PEDESTAL LOCATED ON THE COURTHOUSE LAWN AT 701 MURRAY STREET ALEXANDRIA, LA 71301.

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

YEAS: Villard, Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0058-2020

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: Villard, Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0059-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2020.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard, Fowler, Porter.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0060-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE HUD REPORT FOR CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard, Fowler, Porter.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0061-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE HUD CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT FOR 2019-2020.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0062-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE HUD REPORT FOR ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0063-2020

RESOLUTION CO-SPONSORING THE LOUISIANA D.A.R.E. OFFICERS ASSOCIATION 5K RUN.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fuller.

ORDINANCE NO. 93-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$140 MILLION DOLLARS (\$140,000,000) TAXABLE UTILITIES REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020, PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID BONDS; DESIGNATING THE DATE, DENOMINATION AND PLACE OF PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS, PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF IN PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST; CONFIRMING THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE BONDS TO THE UNDERWRITER; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Villard, Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

Upon request from the Utility Committee, the following item was delayed for two weeks:

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE VARIOUS ITEMS IN SECTION 26-102 OF THE ALEXANDRIA MUNICIPAL CODES WITH RESPECT TO THE UTILITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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. Fuller and seconded by Mr. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 94-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR SULFUR DIOXIDE TECHNICAL GRADE LIQUID IN ONE TON CYLINDERS FOR THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard, Fowler, Porter.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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. 95-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT FOR THE NATURAL GAS SYSTEMS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

On a motion of Mr. Fuller and seconded by Mr. Villard, the following item was delayed for two weeks:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH TRANSFORMATION JANITORIAL FOR ATRANS BUS TERMINAL AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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. Fuller.

ORDINANCE NO. 96-2020

AN ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE A 1% FEE ON THE GROSS TRIP FARE ON ALL PREARRANGED RIDES ORIGINATING WITHIN THE INCORPORATED LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

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. Fuller.

ORDINANCE NO. 97-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT INCLUDING MOWING AND LITTER PICKUP WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Fuller, Green, Larvadain, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Silver.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 23rd day of June 2020.

COMMITTEES

There were no reports from Legal Affairs, Personnel/Insurance Committee, Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee, Property and Zoning Committee, Community Affairs, Services and Events Committee and A&E Committee.

Finance Committee Chair, Mr. Fuller requested that the Finance Director resume giving the monthly finance report.

Utility Committee Chair, Mr. Porter stated that he would do a revision to his request for the Code changes and would resubmit in two weeks.

Economic Workforce and Planning Development Committee Chair Mr. Fuller said that there would be an upcoming report from the ACEDD Board and the GAEDA Board.

/S/ Jules R. Green

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk