

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 19, 2019.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable Jules Green, Ronald Dejoie, Jim Villard, Chuck Fowler, Gerber Porter, Harry Silver, Joe Fuller. 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 Bishop Smith and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant Peppers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fuller and seconded by Mr. Villard the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held March 5, 2019 and a special Council meeting on March 18, 2019 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 ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR HERBICIDES 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 LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR RADAR PRESENCE DETECTION SYSTEM FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS 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 LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR ANNUAL UNIFORM BID FOR PUBLIC SAFETY 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 LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR WORK UNIFORMS FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS 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 LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR RED RIVER LEVEE PARK HIGH MAST LIGHTING FIXTURES 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 ADOPTING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020; TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF ALL CITY DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS, OFFICES AND AGENCIES, PENSIONS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH

RESPECT TO THE EXPENDITURES OF APPROPRIATIONS; ADOPTING THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 AND PROVIDING FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES; AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT TO APPROPRIATIONS AND THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS PERTAINING THERETO 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 REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 417 HUDSON FROM A C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) TO A PUD (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) 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. 9901-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR TWIN BRIDGES 230KV AUTOTRANSFORMER ADDITION.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard, Fowler, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT'S SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS TO HUD REQUIRED PLANS.

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. Fuller.

ORDINANCE NO. 39-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR EMERGENCY GENERATORS INSTALLATION FOR FIRE STATIONS NUMBER 2 AND NUMBER 6 AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Silver, Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

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. 40-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE LAW OFFICE OF RONALD K. SEASTRUNK, A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION TO PERFORM LEGAL SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard, Fowler, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

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. 41-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE ALEXANDRIA PINEVILLE AREA CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU FOR THE 2019 GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Porter, Silver, Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of

March, 2019.

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. 42-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO AMEND THE COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOUISIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SMALL AND EMERGING BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard, Fowler, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

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ORDINANCE NO. 43-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH BONNETTE AUCTION COMPANY FOR PROFESSIONAL AUCTIONEERING 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, Silver, Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

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ORDINANCE NO. 44-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard, Fowler, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

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. Fowler.

ORDINANCE NO. 45-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH ARNA BONTEMPS AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM AND CULTURAL ARTS CENTER AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard, Fowler, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

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. 46-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Villard, Fowler, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 19th day of March, 2019.

COMMITTEES

There were no reports from Utility Committee, Economic Workforce and Planning Development Committee and Property and Zoning Committee.

Finance and Legal Affairs Committee Chair, Mr. Fuller reported that the Council had received the Operating Budget for fiscal year 2019-2020. Budget meetings were set for March 27 and March 28 starting at 2 p.m.

Personnel/Insurance Committee Chair, Mr. Green announced Open Enrollment for city employees would be held March 20-22, 2019 in Convention Hall.

Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee Chair, Mr. Porter stated that issues with the EOP had been resolved and it had been recommended for passage during the earlier committee meeting.

Community Affairs, Services and Events Committee Chair, Mr. Green thanked Ms. Johnson with Delta Sigma Theta and Mr. Harris with the Buffalo Soldiers. Both hosted successful conferences. Ms. Jennings, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Dotson were thanked for there well attended, family friendly sporting event held at Frank O. Hunter Park.

A & E Committee Chair, Mr. Fowler said that Barron, Heinberg and Brocato were selected for the Riverfront Center Roofing and Waterproofing project by the Committee.

/S/ Jules R. Green

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk