

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 1, 2019.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable Jules Green, Malcolm Larvadain, 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 Mr. Harris and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Crawford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fuller and seconded by Mr. Villard the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held September 17, 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. 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.

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 STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2019-2020 OPERATING BUDGET FOR OVERTIME AND CONTRACT LABOR AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2019-2020 OPERATING BUDGET FOR ROLLING CAPITAL AND OTHER MATERS 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 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EMERGENT METHOD LLC TO PERFORM A COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT STUDY FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA AND OTHER MATERS 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 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DENNIS BROWN AS A MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER FOR TRAINING PURPOSES FOR ALL CITY EMPLOYEES AND OTHER MATERS 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 PROJECT SUCCESS AND OTHER MATERS 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 AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHENEYVILLE FOR THE USE OF A TROLLEY FOR FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATION AND OTHER MATERS 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 QUEEN BEES FOR CHRIST COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9969-2019

RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 15, 2019 TAKING ACTION ON THE COST OF DEMOLITION OF 17 RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9970-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. CURMAN GAINES TO SERVE ON THE ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9971-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF COLONEL KATRINA E. LLOYD TO SERVE ON THE ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9972-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9973-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR WIRE AND CABLE FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9974-2019

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2019.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION
SUBJECT TO PUBLIC HEARING

Upon a request from the Administration, the following item was rejected and re-advertisement was requested:

TO CONSIDER FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR WATER METERS AND ITRON ERTS.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9975-2019

RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS AND AUTHORIZING RE-ADVERTISEMENT FOR WATER METERS AND ITRON ERTS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 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. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fuller.

ORDINANCE NO. 161-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR BRASS FITTINGS AND MISCELLANEOUS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 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. 162-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR TREATED WOOD POLES 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, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

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

TO CONSIDER FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PRESCOTT ROAD CONVERSION PHASE 1- 12.5 KV FEEDER CONSTRUCTION AND BREAKER #2 CONVERSION FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT.

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. 163-2019

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1349 AND 1353 CHARLTON STREET, ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA FROM B-3 (COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO SF (SINGLE FAMILY MODERATED DENSITY DISTRICT) AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 1st day of October, 2019.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ARTS COUNCIL OF CENTRAL LOUISIANA FOR THE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF COUGHLIN-SAUNDERS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

COMMITTEES

There were no reports from Legal Affairs Committee, Utility Committee, Personnel/Insurance Committee, Property and Zoning Committee and Community Affairs, Services and Events Committee.

Finance Committee Chair, Mr. Fuller said that item twenty on the agenda was delayed for two weeks so that further contract discussion could take place.

Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee Chair, Mr. Porter mentioned the earlier committee meeting where an update was given on the North 16th Street Bridge and on ideas for abating flooding in the city.

Economic Workforce and Planning Development Committee Chair, Mr. Fuller thanked the Peabody High School Alumni for the work done at Homecoming and the income spent in Alexandria during the Homecoming weekend. He also acknowledged Proctor and Gamble celebrating 50 years.

A&E Committee Chair, Mr. Fowler stated that there were two items recommended to the full Council out of the previous meeting.

Mr. Green reminded all in attendance that any items that needed to be on the October 15th agenda had to be in the City Council Office by Noon on October 8th.

/S/ Jules R. Green

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk