

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2019.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, September 17, 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 Mr. Silver and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Dejoie.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held September 3, 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 ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR WATER METERS AND ITRON ERTS 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 ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR BRASS FITTINGS AND MISCELLANEOUS 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 ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR TREATED WOOD POLES 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 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 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. 9964-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO CO-SPONSOR THE ANNUAL FALL ART WALK 2019.

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 17th day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9965-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR PLASTIC REFUSE BAGS.

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 17th day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9966-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARVINETTE HOLLY TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ALEXANDRIA CENTRAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Porter.

NAYS: Fowler.

ABSTAIN: Villard, Silver.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9967-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MYRON K. LAWSON, JR. TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ALEXANDRIA CENTRAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

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

YEAS: Fuller, Green, Dejoie, Porter.

NAYS: Fowler.

ABSTAIN: Villard, Silver.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9968-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DR. PAUL CORIEL, TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL LOUISIANA REGIONAL PORT BOARD OF COMMISSIONS.

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 resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 2019.

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. 151-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR TWIN BRIDGES STATION 230 KV-138 KV TRANSFORMER ADDITION 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, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 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. 152-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY SEASON BY HOSTING "WINTERFETE" IN DECEMBER 2019 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PROMOTE THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA BY ENTERING INTO ALL CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES WITH BANDS AND/OR VENDORS RELATED TO THE EVENT AND NECESSARY FOR ITS PRODUCTION 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 17th day of September, 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. 153-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR ONE RESCUE BOAT 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, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 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. 154-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE RAPIDES PARISH FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR USE OF THE TROLLEYS 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, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 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. 155-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CENLA COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE INC. FOR IN-KIND SERVICES FOR USE OF MLK SENIOR CENTER AND THE TEEN CENTER FOR SATELLITE LOCATIONS 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, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 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. 156-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL LOUISIANA TO CO-SPONSOR THE UNITED WAY COOK-OFF 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, Dejoie.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Villard.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 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. 157-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SPARKHOUND TO PERFORM NETWORK VULNERABILITY SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED 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 17th day of September, 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. 158-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR THE MEDICAL CLINIC PROJECT 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, Dejoie.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 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. 159-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE GILLIG BUS ASSIGNMENT FROM CAPITAL AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 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, Dejoie, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 17th day of September, 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. Dejoie.

ORDINANCE NO. 160-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH RED RIVER WATERWAY COMMISSION FOR RIVERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED 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 17th day of September, 2019.

On a request from Finance and Legal Affairs Committee, 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.

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion of Mr. Fuller and seconded by Mr. Dejoie the Financial Report was accepted as presented.

COMMITTEES

There were no reports from Finance and Legal Affairs, Utility Committee, Personnel/Insurance Committee, Property and Zoning Committee, and A&E Committee.

Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee, Mr. Porter mentioned Dr. Holcombe's presentation in the earlier committee meeting. He hoped Mr. Williams would work towards having an ordinance presented to the Council for a Harm Reduction Center. Mr. Fuller requested the North 16th Street Bridge and the flooding/drainage issues on Windermere Boulevard, Prescott Road and Martin Park be placed into committee for October 1, 2019.

Economic Workforce and Planning Development Committee Chair, Mr. Fuller thanked the Mayor for working with the Red River Waterway Commission and for working with partners who have money.

Community Affairs, Services and Events Committee Chair, Mr. Dejoie announce that the Black Angles over Tuskegee had been a success. The performance had sold out. He also announced Downtown Rocks would be held October 10-24, 2019 and WinterFête would be held December 12-14, 2019.

Mr. Green announced that Malcolm Larvadain's Swearing-in Ceremony for the District 1 seat would be held on Tuesday, September 24 at 12:00p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Mr. Dejoie said that he had done his best and tried to be a fiscal watchdog for the city while he was filling the District 1 seat. He hoped he had been consistent and humble and done his duty. He wished Mr. Larvadain well in carrying the baton further on.

/S/ Jules R. Green
President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones
City Clerk