

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2019.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, September 3, 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. Harris and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Crawford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Fuller the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held August 20, 2019 were unanimously approved by the Council.

PRESENTATION

Allison Bates with the United States Census briefly spoke on the 2020 Census.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9954-2019

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE 2020 UNITED STATES CENSUS.

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 3rd day of September, 2019.

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 ONE RESCUE BOAT 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 THE RAPIDES PARISH FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR USE OF THE TROLLEYS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO 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 CENLA COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE INC. FOR IN-KIND SERVICES FOR USE OF MLK SENIOR CENTER AND THE TEEN CENTER FOR SATELLITE LOCATIONS 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 UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL LOUISIANA TO CO-SPONSOR THE UNITED WAY COOK-OFF 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 SPARKHOUND TO PERFORM NETWORK VULNERABILITY SERVICES 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 EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR THE MEDICAL CLINIC PROJECT 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 PURCHASE OF ONE GILLIG BUS ASSIGNMENT FROM CAPITAL AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO 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 RED RIVER WATERWAY COMMISSION FOR RIVERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS 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 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 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 AGREEMENT WITH THE ARTS COUNCIL OF CENTRAL LOUISIANA FOR THE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF COUGHLIN-SAUNDERS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9955-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR DECHLORINATION EQUIPMENT FOR THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT.

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 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9956-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR CROWD CONTROL BARRIERS FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT.

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 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9957-2019

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONGRESSIONAL DESIGNATION OF THE ROUTE FOR INTERSTATE 14, THE GULF COAST STRATEGIC HIGHWAY.

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 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9958-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RODNEY JONES TO SERVE

ON THE FIRE AND POLICE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD.

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 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9959-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO CO-SPONSOR THE NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2019.

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 3rd day of September, 2019.

Mr. Porter moved to delay the following item for two weeks, which was seconded by Mr. Dejoie.

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: Porter, Fuller, Green, Dejoie.

NAYS: Silver, Villard, Fowler.

ABSENT: None.

This item was delayed for two weeks.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9960-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO CO-SPONSOR THE GIRLS ON THE RUN 5K ON NOVEMBER 16, 2019.

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

YEAS: Villard, Fowler, Silver, Green.

NAYS: Porter, Fuller, Dejoie.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9961-2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR LINKS ON THE BAYOU GOLF COURSE BANK STABILIZATION PROJECT.

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 resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9962-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL D. WYNNE TO SERVE ON THE ALEXANDRIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION.

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 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9963-2019

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BOOKER T. BOOZE TO SERVE ON THE ALEXANDRIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd 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. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fuller.

ORDINANCE NO. 144-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR A MINIMUM OF ONE REAR LOADING REFUSE TRUCK 25-YARD CAPACITY AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

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 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. 145-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW CLAIMS MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH HAMMERMAN AND GAINER 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, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd 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. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 146-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH PETRE'S TREE SURGERY INC. FOR THE ELECTRIC UTILITY RIGHT-OF-WAY MAINTENANCE 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, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd 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. 147-2019

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2019-2020 CAPITAL BUDGET BY ADDING FUNDS FOR FIRE STATION #1 RENOVATIONS 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, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd 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. 148-2019

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2019-2020 CAPITAL BUDGET BY ADDING FUNDS FOR AERIAL FIRE TRUCK 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, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd 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. 149-2019

AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING ORDINANCE NO. 93-2019 TO ALPINE LAWN AND LANDSCAPE FOR LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR COMMUNITY CENTERS AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE NEXT LOWEST BIDDER, GRASS HOPPER LAWN CARE OF ALEXANDRIA, LLC FOR LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTERS 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, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd day of September, 2019.

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

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 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. 150-2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH XPRESS RECYCLING FOR SALE OF SCRAP METAL 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, Porter, Silver.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Fowler.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 3rd day of September, 2019.

COMMITTEES

There were no reports from Utility Committee, Personnel/Insurance Committee, Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee, Property and Zoning Committee, and A&E Committee.

Finance and Legal Affairs Committee Chair, Mr. Fuller mentioned that there were a couple of items delayed in Committee.

Economic Workforce and Planning Development Committee Chair, Mr. Fuller thanked the Mayor for working with Red River Waterway Commission on the downtown development.

Community Affairs, Services and Events Committee Chair, Mr. Dejoie announced the following upcoming events:

Back the Blue Appreciation Day on September 11 at Mt. Triumph Baptist Church for all police, firefighters and first responders.

Black Angels over Tuskegee on September 14, 2019.

Downtown Rocks on October 10 and 24, 2019.

Alexandria WinterFête on December 12-14, 2019.

/S/ Jules R. Green

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk