

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 27,
2021.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable James "Jim" Villard, Chuck Fowler, Gerber Porter, Catherine Davidson, REDDEX Washington, Lee Rubin and Cynthia Perry. Also present were Mayor Hall, City Attorney Shane Williams, Trey Gist 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 Jim Villard, who stated that the Council was ready for the transaction of business. The Invocation was pronounced by Mr. Rubin and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Fowler.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin the minutes taken from a regular Council meeting held July 13, 2021 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. Rubin seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried by the Council.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE ALEXANDRIA MARDI GRAS ASSOCIATION AND OTHER MATTERS THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COURT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE SERVICE CONTRACT WITH UTILITY MAINTENANCE SPECIALTY, INC., FOR TESTING AND MAINTENANCE OF SUBSTATION TRANSFORMERS, CIRCUIT BREAKER AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SPARTAN SERVICES GROUP, LLC FOR PRE-EMPLOYMENT SCREENING SERVICES FOR ALEXANDRIA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ALEXANDRIA FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND RELATED SERVICES TO THE CITY AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin 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 TREASURY AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0188-2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO BE A CO-SPONSOR OF THE NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2021.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: Porter.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

Mr. Rubin moved for the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Ms. Perry.

RESOLUTION NO. 0189-2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ADMIN BUILDING HVAC REPLACEMENT.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard, Fowler, Perry.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0190-2021

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AUDIT YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2021.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0191-2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RENEE WHITE-GOOLSBY TO SERVE ON THE GREATER ALEXANDRIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REPRESENTING DISTRICT 2.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 132-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR LIQUID CHLORINE ONE TON CYLINDERS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

Upon request from the Administration and a motion by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin, the following item was delayed for two weeks:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR ANNUAL VEHICLE BID CURRENT MODEL YEAR AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT 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 Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 133-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR CHEATHAM PARK BASEBALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 134-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH WASTE CONNECTIONS BAYOU INCORPORATED FOR THE MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard, Fowler, Perry.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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. Rubin.

ORDINANCE NO. 135-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF BOYCE FOR THE DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS MOVABLES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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. Rubin.

ORDINANCE NO. 136-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SURPLUS OF UNIT 1139 AND DISPOSITION THROUGH AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF CHENEYVILLE AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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. Rubin.

ORDINANCE NO. 137-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PINEVILLE FOR THE DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS MOVABLES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 138-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH NORTH AMERICA FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY FOR TURNOUT GEAR FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 139-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM E. WOOLF LANDSCAPE, LLC FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR 6TH AND JOHNSTON PARKING LOT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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. Rubin and seconded by Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 140-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM PAN AMERICAN ENGINEERS FOR THE FUNDED LA WATERSHED INITIATIVE ROUND 1 PROJECT FOR HORSESHOE CANAL HARDENING AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard, Fowler, Perry.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry and seconded by Ms. Davidson.

ORDINANCE NO. 141-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM PAN AMERICAN ENGINEERS FOR THE FUNDED LA WATERSHED INITIATIVE ROUND 1 PROJECTS CHATLIN LAKE CANAL BACKWATER OVERFLOW RELIEF STRUCTURE TO RED RIVER AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard, Fowler.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 142-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM CHANO AND SON'S INCORPORATED FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR TRANSIT BUSES AND TRANSIT VANS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry.

ORDINANCE NO. 143-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT RECEIVED FROM FLEET ANALYTICS, LLC FOR GPS FLEET TRACKING AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry and seconded by Ms. Davidson.

ORDINANCE NO. 144-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR THE LOUISIANA WATERSHED INITIATIVE PROJECT CHATLIN LAKE CANAL BACKWATER OVERFLOW RELIEF STRUCTURE TO THE RED RIVER AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard, Fowler.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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 Ms. Perry and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

ORDINANCE NO. 145-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTIVE AGREEMENTS FOR THE LOUISIANA WATERSHED INITIATIVE PROJECT HORSESHOE CANAL HARDENING AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard, Fowler.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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. Porter.

ORDINANCE NO. 146-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A BUY SELL AGREEMENT WITH ROM PARTNERSHIP FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT MARTIN PARK OUTFALL IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

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. Rubin.

ORDINANCE NO. 147-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM CBS CLEANING SERVICE FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE CLEANING OF THE UTILITY CUSTOMER SERVICE BUILDING AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

On a motion of Ms. Davidson and seconded by Ms. Perry a public hearing was opened on the following at 5:43 p.m.

Mr. Washington moved to delay the item for two weeks and Mr. Fowler seconded the motion. The President called for any discussion, a vote was called for and resulted as follows:

YEAS: Washington.

NAYS: Villard, Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter.

ABSENT: None

The motion to delay failed.

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. Porter and seconded by Ms. Davidson.

ORDINANCE NO. 148-2021

AN ORDINANCE REZONING THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1194 RAPIDES AVENUE FROM "B-3" (GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO "C-2" (GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EVENT CENTER AND TO OBTAIN A LIQUOR LICENSE AT SAID PROPERTY AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Porter, Washington, Villard, Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

The public hearing was closed at 5:50 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING-COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin the Council entered a public hearing at 5:51 p.m.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0192-2021

RESOLUTION TAKING ACTION ON STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 3907 LAKESIDE.

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

YEAS: Villard, Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

On a motion Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin the Council exited a public hearing at 5:52 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING-COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin the Council entered a public hearing at 5:52 p.m.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0193-2021

RESOLUTION TAKING ACTION ON THE CONDEMNATION OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) STRUCTURES.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Perry, Rubin, Davidson, Porter, Washington, Villard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 27th day of July, 2021.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Davidson the Council unanimously exited a public hearing at 6:12 p.m.

/S/ James Villard

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk