

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH
5, 2024.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session in the City Council Chambers, on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable Jim Villard, Lizzie Felter, Cynthia Perry, Chuck Fowler, REDDEX Washington and Lee Rubin. Gary Johnson was absent. Also present were City Attorney Jonathan Goins, Michael Caffery 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 Ms. Felter and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Fowler.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Ms. Felter the minutes taken from a regular Council Meeting held on February 20, 2024 and a Special Meeting held on February 22, 2024 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 introduction of all items appearing under the heading Consent Calendar.

Mr. Rubin seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried by the Council.

Bids were received for operating supplies for the Gas Department.

Name of Bidders

Core and Main

Lafayette Winwater Works
Coburn Supply
Ferguson Waterworks

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR OPERATING SUPPLIES FOR THE GAS DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for operating supplies for the Wastewater Department.

Name of Bidders

Core and Main
Lafayette Winwater Works
Coburn Supply
Ferguson Waterworks

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR OPERATING SUPPLIES FOR THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for cast ductile iron.

Name of Bidders

Core and Main
Lafayette Winwater Works
Coburn Supply
Zenner USA
Ferguson Waterworks

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR CAST/DUCTILE IRON AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for electric meters and accessories.

Name of Bidders

Gresco

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The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR ELECTRIC METERS AND ACCESSORIES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for sewer replacement on Marye Street.

Name of Bidders

Rylee Contracting Incorporated

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR SEWER REPLACEMENT ON MARYE STREET AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for janitorial supplies.

Name of Bidders

Interboro Packaging Corporation
Advance Chemical
Long's Products
C & A Janitorial
Economic Janitorial Paper Supply
Pyramid School Products
Central Poly Corporation

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation. The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Rubin to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES 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 ENTER INTO GRANT AGREEMENTS AND SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDS UNDER THE PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT 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 ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CROSSROAD SOCCER ASSOCIATION AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0520-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR ANNUAL
UNIFORM BID FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of
March, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0521-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR ANNUAL
UNIFORM BID FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of
March, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0522-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR OPERATING CHEMICAL FOR WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of March, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0523-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR THE ALEXANDRIA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE (LINKS ON THE BAYOU) CLUBHOUSE PAINTING AND MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of March, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0524-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR RUSH'S CLEANER DEMOLITION LOCATED AT 210 BOLTON AVENUE.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of March, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0525-2024

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO.0501-2024 CO-SPONSORING THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF ALEXANDRIA KIDZ FEST ON MARCH 16, 2024, TO INCLUDE CITY PARK.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of March, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0526-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO CO-SPONSOR THE CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY NETWORK AND CENLA INDIA ASSOCIATION HOLI FEST 2024.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of March, 2024.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION **SUBJECT TO A 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. Rubin.

ORDINANCE NO. 30-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH AQUARESOURCE/TECNXS, LLC., FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTER RECORD MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of March, 2024.

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. 31-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR A CHIEF 360 SOFTWARE PROGRAM 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, Washington, Rubin, Villard, Felter, Perry.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Johnson.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 5th day of March, 2024.

The President adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

/S/ James "Jim" Villard

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk