PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 7, 2015.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regular meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 5:00 P.M. There were present the Honorable Charles "Chuck" Fowler, Roosevelt Johnson, Jim Villard, Jules Green, Ed Larvadain, Lee Rubin and Harry Silver. Also present were Council Staff and Attorney Trey Gist.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the governing authority of said City by the Honorable Charles "Chuck" Fowler, who stated that the Council was ready for the transaction of business. The Invocation was pronounced by Roosevelt Johnson and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lee Rubin.

Ingrid Johnson, Vice President of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority gave a presentation in reference to the Delta Sigma Theta program for this year.

Chancellor Daniel Howard from LSUA spoke on behalf of the LSUA Basketball team. LSUA Coach Larry Cordaro also spoke and introduced the basketball team. Mayor Jacques Roy presented a Proclamation declaring April 2, 2015 LSUA Men's Basketball Team Day.

**Approval of Minutes** 

On motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Green the minutes taken from a regular council meeting held on March 24, 2015 was 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. Johnson moved for the adoption or introduction of all items appearing under the heading of Consent Calendar.

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

Bids were received for scada system additions and upgrade for the Gas Department.

# Name of Bidder

**Amount of bid** 

**Control Worx** 

\$799,363.00

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR SCADA SYSTEM ADDITIONS AND UPGRADE FOR THE GAS DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for trimming and removal of trees and limbs around high voltages lines.

# Name of BidderAmount of bidBurford's Tree\$2,059.531.28Solscapes2,256,720.00

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR TRIMMING AND REMOVAL OF TREES AND LIMBS AROUND HIGH VOLTAGE LINES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for operating chemicals for the Wastewater Department.

### **Name of Bidder**

Municipal Industrial

**Geo Speciaty Chemical** 

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**BCP** 

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

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

Bids were received for operating supplies for the Electric Distribution Department.

#### **Name of Bidder**

Reulet Elect Irby Wesco Distribution Techline Gresco Utility

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

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

Bids were received for janitorial chemicals for a twelve month period.

#### **Name of Bidder**

Napa Auto Parts Ralph's Industrial Grines Industrial Sayes Office Supply BCP

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

Bids were received for Links on the Bayou Golf Course Bank Stabilization.

# **Name of Bidder**

Durand Builders, LLC Bayou Rapides

The above bid was referred to the Mayor and appropriate committee for tabulation and recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR LINKS ON THE BAYOU GOLF COURSE BANK STABILIZATION AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

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

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE UTILITY CUSTOMER SERVICE BUILDING AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ENTITY/STATE AGREEMENT WITH LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR JACKSON STREET (LA1208-3) AT HORSESHOE ROUNDABOUT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Mr. Johnson referred the above item to the Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee.

On motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Silver the following ordinance was introduced, to wit:

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING GAMING, BINGO AND VIDEO BINGO AND THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA'S BINGO HALLS AND EXPANSION OF GAMING, CHARITABLE OR FOR PROFIT; LIMITING THE EXPANSION OF BINGO HALLS AND GAMING, CHARITABLE OR FOR PROFIT WITHIN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA; PROHIBITING NEW COMMERCIAL LESSORS OF BINGO HALLS AND GAMING PLACES; PROVIDING CERTAIN STRICTURES WITH REGARD TO EXPANSION ACTIVITIES OF EXISTING BINGO HALLS AND GAMING TENANTS; TO PROVIDE FOR HEARINGS AND AMENDMENTS TO LICENSES FOR EXISTING LICENSE HOLDERS AND OTHERWISE TO PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO; TO SET LIMITATIONS ON LOCATIONS; AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Mr. Larvadain referred the above item to the Finance and Legal Affairs Committee.

# ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION SUBJECT TO PUBLIC HEARING

The following ordinance which as previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto was brought up for final adoption on motion of Mr. Silver and seconded by Mr. Johnson.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 561-2015

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 193-2014; TO ENACT AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AUTHORIZE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY TO PROVIDE AUTHORITY FOR A PARTITION OF JOINTLY HELD PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE RAPIDES PARISH COLISEUM; TO AUTHORIZE AN ACT OF SALE, EXCHANGE OR TRANSFER OF PROPERTIES JOINTLY OWNED BY THE CITY AND THE POLICE JURY ON COLISEUM BOULEVARD AND TO ENABLE THE CITY TO ACQUIRE FULL OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN TRACTS AND SERVITUDES OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES; TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO ALLOW THE RAPIDES PARISH POLICE JURY TO ACQUIRE FULL OWNERSHIP OF LAND FOR PARKING NECESSARY FOR THE RAPIDES PARISH COLISEUM; TO PROVIDE FOR DEDICATION OF A RIGHT OF ACCESS, UTILITY SERVITUDES AND OTHER COMPONENTS NECESSARY FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA; TO DECLARE THAT THE VALUE TO BE RECEIVED SHALL BE EQUIVALENT VALUES AND THAT THE PRICE THE CITY MAY RECEIVE FOR A PARCEL OF LAND SHALL BE \$1,100,000 AND SUCH OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION INCLUDING THE IMPROVEMENTS AND RENOVATIONS TO THE RAPIDES PARISH COLISEUM IS CONSIDERATION, IN PART, FOR THE PARTITION AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Silver, Fowler, Johnson, Villard, Green, Larvadain, Rubin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

Mr. Larvadain moved for the adoption of the following resolution which was seconded by Mr. Green.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 9397-2015**

A RESOLUTON TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO STAY OR DISMISS ALL MATTERS FILEDE OR RELATED TO THE DISPUYTRS BRTWEEN THE CITY AND THE RAPIDES POLICE JUTRY CONCERNING THE COLISEUM AND RELATED MATTERS.

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

YEAS: Larvadain, Rubin, Silver, Fowler, Johnson, Villard, Green.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

The following ordinance which as previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto was brought up for final adoption on motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Villard.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 52-2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR ELECTRIC METERS AND ACCESSORIES FOR USE BY THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR A TWELVE MONTH PERIOD AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Johnson, Villard, Green, Larvadain, Rubin, Silver, Fowler.

NAYS: None

**ABSENT: None** 

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the  $7^{th}$  day of April, 2015.

The following ordinance which as previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto was brought up for final adoption on motion of Mr. Silver and seconded by Mr. Rubin.

# ORDINANCE NO. 52-2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR FIRE HYDRANTS AND RELATED ACCESSORIES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Silver, Fowler Johnson, Villard, Green, Larvadain, Rubin.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

The following ordinance which as previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto was brought up for final adoption on motion of Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Rubin.

#### **ORDINANCE 53-2015**

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

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

YEAS: Johnson, Villard, Green, Larvadain, Rubin, Silver, Fowler.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

The following ordinance which as previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto was brought up for final adoption on motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Villard.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 54-2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES FOR A TWELVE MONTH PERIOD AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Silver, Fowler, Johnson, Villard, Green, Larvadain.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

The following ordinance which as previously introduced and laid over for publication of notice and no objection having been filed thereto was brought up for final adoption on motion of Mr. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Johnson.

# ORDINANCE NO. 55-2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR CAST/DUCTILE IRON AND RELATED ACCESSORIES FOR A TWELVE MONTH PERIOD AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Rubin, Silver, Fowler, Johnson, Villard, Green, Larvadain.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the  $7^{th}$  day of April, 2015.

The next item on the agenda that being to hold a public hearing on the Mayor's proposed 2015/2016 operating and capital budgets. There was no one present for discussion on this item.

Mr. Johnson moved for the adoption of the following resolution which was seconded by Mr. Green.

# RESOLUTION NO. 9396-2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO CO-SPONSOR " JAZZ ON THE RIVER" ALONG WITH THE ARNA BONTEMPS AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM PROVIDING IN KIND SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Johnson, Villard, Green, Larvadain, Rubin, Silver, Fowler.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

#### **COMMITTEES**

There were no reports from the Finance and Legal Affairs, Personnel/Insurance Committee, Public Safety, Works and Transportation, Community Affairs, Services and Events and A & E Selection Committee.

Utility Committee, Mr. Villard Chairman requested for a report from the Administration on the proposed utility rates.

Mr. Rubin, Chairman of the Economic, Workforce and Planning Development Committee requested a report from the Administration on the status of the Fulton Hotel.

There being no further business to come before the Council, on motion properly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

/S/ Charles "Chuck" Fowler, Jr.
President

ATTEST:
/S/ Donna P. Jones
City Clerk