

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE
25, 2024.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session in the City Council Chambers, on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable Jim Villard, Lizzie Felter, Cynthia Perry, Gary Johnson and Chuck Fowler. REDDEX Washington and Lee Rubin were absent. Also present were City Attorney Jonathon Goins and Council Staff.

Mr. Villard read the following statement into the record: Alexandria City Council meetings and Council committee meetings are broadcast live and may be viewed by the public on Optimum Cable Channel 4 or on the City of Alexandria, LA website www.cityofalexandrialala.com.

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. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Felter the minutes taken from a regular Council Meeting held on June 11, 2024 were unanimously approved by the Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Felter the Council unanimously entered executive session at 5:05 p.m. on the following:

TO CONSIDER A REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SETTLE AND COMPROMISE THE MATTER "ANDRE B MILTON V. CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, ET AL." (9TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUIT NO. 269,713 A) AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Johnson the Council unanimously exited the executive session at 5:12 p.m.

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. Johnson seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried by the Council.

Bids were received for single phase polemount transformers.

Name of Bidders

Central Maloney, Inc.

Gresco

Pulse Mac Solutions, LLC

Mississippi-Tennessee Transformers, Inc.

Wesco Distributers

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. Johnson to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR SINGLE PHASE POLEMOUNT TRANSFORMERS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for three phase padmount transformers.

Name of Bidders

Central Maloney, Inc.

Mississippi-Tennessee Transformers, Inc.

Gresco

Pulse Mac Solutions, LLC

Technology International

Wesco Distributers

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. Johnson to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR THREE PHASE PADMOUNT TRANSFORMERS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for spun prestressed wood pole equivalent concrete poles.

Name of Bidders

StressCrete

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. Johnson to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR SPUN PRESTRESSED WOOD POLE EQUIVALENT CONCRETE POLES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for single phase padmount transformers.

Name of Bidders

Central Maloney, Inc.

Pulse Mac Solutions, LLC.

Gresco

Mississippi-Tennessee Transformers, Inc.

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. Johnson to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR SINGLE PHASE PADMOUNT TRANSFORMERS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for wastewater treatment plant roadway lighting phase 2.

Name of Bidders

Central Electric Company of Alexandria, Inc.

EMS Electric of Monroe, Inc.

Ready Power, LLC.

Southern Underground of Louisiana

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. Johnson to wit:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ROADWAY LIGHTING PHASE 2 AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0564-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR ARMORED SWAT VEHICLE FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 2024.

PUBIC HEARING

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Felter the public hearing was opened at 5:18 p.m.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0565-2024

RESOLUTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER CONDEMNATION OF (9) NINE STRUCTURES.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 2024.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Felter the public hearing was closed at 5:37 p.m.

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. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 90-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM MID-STATE SUPPLY COMPANY FOR KCMIL COMPACT ROUND, CLASS B STRAND COPPER, FILLED STRAND FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 91-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM LINETEC SERVICES, LLC, FOR ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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. Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 92-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO AWARD THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO PAN AMERICAN ENGINEERS FOR THE COA-MPO ASPHALT REHAB, PHASE 3 PROJECT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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 Ms. Felter.

ORDINANCE NO. 93-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM ROYALTY KINGDOM CLEANING SERVICES, LLC FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR ATRANS BUS TERMINAL AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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 Ms. Felter.

ORDINANCE NO. 94-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE ALEXANDRIA MARDI GRAS ASSOCIATION AND OTHER MATTERS THERETO AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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. Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 95-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 96-2024

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT HUD REPORT 2024-2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 97-2024

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT UPDATED PROGRAM POLICY GUIDELINES FOR HOME MAJOR REHAB AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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 Ms. Felter.

ORDINANCE NO. 98-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ALL CREATURES ANIMAL CARE TO PROVIDE VETERINARY SERVICES FOR THE ALEXANDRIA ZOOLOGICAL PARK AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 99-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DR. APRIL D. BROWN, DVM FOR AS NEEDED VETERINARY SERVICES FOR THE ALEXANDRIA ANIMAL SHELTER AND THE ALEXANDRIA ZOOLOGICAL PARK AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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. Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 100-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE EXTENDED WARRANTY AND SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH FLOODBREAK FOR MARTIN PARK FLOOD CONTROL STRUCTURE AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 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 Ms. Felter.

ORDINANCE NO. 101-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CENLA RECYCLING, LLC TO DESTROY FIREARMS LAWFULLY COLLECTED AND SEIZED BY ALEXANDRIA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 2024.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

The following emergency ordinance was brought up for final adoption on a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

ORDINANCE NO. 102-2024

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO ADDRESS AND DECLARE A PUBLIC EMERGENCY FOR REPLACEMENT OF FIRE PUMP, JOCKEY PUMP AND CONTROLLER AT THE RANDOLPH RIVERFRONT CENTER FOR THE FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO ANY NECESSARY CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS WITH ANDERSEN FIRE PROTECTION OF ALEXANDRIA, INC. FOR COST OF LABOR AND MATERIAL AND SUCH OTHER CONTRACTS REASONABLE AND NECESSARY FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FIRE PUMP, JOCKEY PUMP, CONTROLLER AND OTHER NECESSARY COMPONENTS FOR THE FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM REQUIRED AT THE RANDOLPH RIVERFRONT CENTER AND OTHERWISE TO PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

YEAS: Villard, Felter, Perry, Johnson, Fowler.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Washington, Rubin.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of June, 2024.

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

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

AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY ATTORNEY TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SETTLE AND COMPROMISE THE MATTER "ANDRE B. MILTON V. CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, ET AL." (9TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUIT NO 269,713 A) AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The President adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

/S/ James "Jim" Villard
President

ATTEST:
/S/ Donna P. Jones
City Clerk