PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 25, 2025

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session in the City Council Chambers, on Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable Cynthia Perry, Gary Johnson, Lizzie Felter, Jules Green, Chuck Fowler, Jim Villard and Malcolm Larvadain. Also present were Mayor Roy, City Attorney Jonathon 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 Cynthia Perry, who stated that the Council was ready for the transaction of business. The invocation was pronounced by Mayor Roy and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Goins.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Larvadain the minutes taken from a regular Council Meeting held on March 11, 2025 were unanimously approved by the Council.

PRESENTATION

Roosevelt Johnson spoke on the Love the Boot clean-up activities.

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 janitorial supplies.

Name of Bidders

Interboro Packaging Corporation
Imperial Bag and Paper
Grimes Industrial Supply
Advance Chemical
Unipak Corporation
Pyramid School Products
Economical Janitorial
Central Poly Corporation
Unipak Corporation
Unipak Corporation
AmeriMack Chemical

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 JANITORIAL SUPPLIES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Bids were received for construction and maintenance materials.

Name of Bidders
LUHR Brothers, Inc.
Pine Bluff Sand and Gravel
Vantel, LLC
Green Dream Enterprises

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 CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE MATERIALS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY JOINT READINESS TRAINING CENTER FORT JOHNSON FOR MILITARY EXERCISES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE EXISTING CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL AUCTIONEERING SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026; TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF ALL CITY DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS, OFFICES AND AGENCIES, PENSIONS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT TO THE EXPENDITURES OF APPROPRIATIONS; ADOPTING THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 AND PROVIDING FOR

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES; AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT TO APPROPRIATIONS AND THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS PERTAINING THERETO AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SETTLE AND COMPROMISE THE MATTERS ENTITLED "DORIS FOX, ET AL. V. CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, ET AL" 9TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUIT NUMBER 275,974, DIVISION A AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SETTLE AND COMPROMISE THE MATTERS ENTITLED "JOHNNY JEANS, ET UX. V. CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, ET AL" 9TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUIT NUMBER 268,938, DIVISION C AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SETTLE AND COMPROMISE THE MATTERS ENTITLED "MARIE SAMPSON V. CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, ET AL" 9TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUIT NUMBER 274,100 DIVISION F AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DECLARE POLICE VEHICLE 9843 AS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED OR USED BY THE CITY DEPARTMENTS TO BE DISPOSED OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOUISIANA LAW AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH CHRISTUS FOUNDATION TO CO-SPONSOR THE 2025 WALMART CMN GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED FOR MAY 2025 AT LINKS ON THE BAYOU BENEFITING CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE GOLF COURSE MANAGEMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH M2MITTON MANAGEMENT, LLC AT ITS CURRENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0639-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICY WITH REGARD TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DISASTER RECOVERY MITIGATION FUNDS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0640-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO FILE APPLICATIONS WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION, FOR FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT DEPARTMENT.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0641-2025

RESOLUTION TO CO-SPONSOR THE WESTSIDE HABILITATION CENTER MARCH MADNESS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT, IN MARCH 2025 FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0642-2025

RESOLUTION TO CO-SPONSOR THE ALEXANDRIA MUSEUM OF ART JOURDAN THIBODEAUX TRIO CONCERT IN MARCH 2025.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0643-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR GAS METERS AND ITRON ERTS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0644-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR HERBICIDES.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0645-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR READY MIX CONCRETE.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0646-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR OPERATING SUPPLIES FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0647-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR JANITORIAL CHEMICALS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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. Villard and seconded by Mr. Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2025

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

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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. 14-2025

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

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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 Ms. Felter.

ORDINANCE NO. 15-2025

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

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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. 16-2025

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH CLEAN EARTH OF ALABAMA, INCORPORATED FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARD WASTE SERVICES FOR THE UTILITY AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISIONS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

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. 17-2025

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH PAN AMERICAN ENGINEERS, LLC, BALLARD CLC, INCORPORATED, KINDLE, STONE AND ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED, MEYER, MEYER, LACROIX AND HIXSON, INCORPORATED, MONCEAUX-BULLER AND ASSOCIATES, LLC, SCOTTMOORE, LLC, AND VERTEX WORX, LLC FOR ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING SERVICES AND OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

PUBLIC HEARING – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

On a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fowler the public hearing was opened at 5:48 p.m.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 0648-2025

RESOLUTION TAKING ACTION ON THE COST OF DEMOLITION OF ONE COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 1130 3RD STREET.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: Larvadain.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 25th day of March, 2025.

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Villard the public hearing was closed at 5:50 p.m.

The President adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

/S/ Cynthia Perry

President

ATTEST:

/S/Donna P. Jones

City Clerk