

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 28, 2017.

The Council of the City of Alexandria, Louisiana, met in a regularly scheduled meeting session at its regular meeting place, on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. Those present were the Honorable Roosevelt Johnson, Jim Villard, Joe Fuller, Jules Green, Ed Larvadain, Chuck Fowler and Harry Silver. Also present were Mayor Roy, Council Staff and Council 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 Roosevelt Johnson, who stated that the Council was ready for the transaction of business. The Invocation was pronounced by Mr. Fowler and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Ratcliff.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Mr. Villard and seconded by Mr. Fuller the minutes taken from a regular meeting held November 14, 2017 Council Meeting 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. Villard moved for the adoption or introduction of all items appearing under the heading of Consent Calendar.

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

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR ANNUAL WORK UNIFORMS FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR RESCUE TOOLS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE HIGHEST QUOTE RECEIVED FROM WORLDWIDE ELECTRIC SALVAGE FOR THE SALE OF SURPLUS TRANSFORMERS AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE REZONING LOTS 3415 AND 3419 NELSON STREET FROM B-3 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO C-1 LIMITED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO EXPAND THE EXISTING CAR LOT PARKING SPACES FOR A USED CAR DEALERSHIP LOCATED AT 1117 MACARTHUR DRIVE AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9720-2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR TWO (2) 18 FOOT HEAVY DUTY TANDEM AXLE DUMP TRASH TRAILERS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9721-2017

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MR. ROBERT BECK II TO SERVE ON THE ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9722-2017
RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MR. JOE MCPHERSON TO SERVE ON THE ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9723-2017

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULT OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2017, TO AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION OF A SPECIAL TAX THEREIN.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

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 Mr. Villard.

ORDINANCE NO. 156-2017

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID SUBMITTED FOR INTEGRATED BREATHING AIR CYLINDER RECHARGING SYSTEM OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

Upon request from the Administration, the following item was delayed for two weeks:

TO CONSIDER FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FOR ONE (1) 300 MVA SUBSTATION AUTO-TRANSFORMER.

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. 157-2017

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FOR PLASTIC REFUSE BAGS OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

Upon request from the Administration, the following item was delayed for two weeks:

TO CONSIDER FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FOR WIRE AND CABLE FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT.

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. Fuller.

ORDINANCE NO. 158-2017

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE ANNUAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER, WASTEWATER, GAS AND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENTS OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This ordinance was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

Upon request from the Administration, the following item was delayed until January 9, 2018:

TO CONSIDER FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR NATURAL GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE WITH ENLINK LIG, LLC FOR NATURAL GAS DELIVERY SERVICE FOR THE CITY'S LDC DEMAND.

Upon request from the Administration, the following item was delayed until January 9, 2018:

TO CONSIDER FINAL ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR NATURAL GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE WITH

ENLINK LIG, LLC FOR NATURAL GAS DELIVERY SERVICE FOR THE CITY'S POWER PLANT DEMAND.

PUBLIC HEARING – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9724-2017

RESOLUTION TAKING ACTION ON STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 1758 ALBERT STREET, WASMER PROPERTIES, LLC.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

AUDIT REPORT

On a motion of Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Fuller the April 30, 2017 Audit Report from Payne, Moore and Herrington was received as presented in the Finance and Legal Affairs Committee Meeting.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE RAPIDES BUSINESS AND CAREER SOLUTIONS CENTER D/B/A THE RAPIDES WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (LWDA-61) TO PROVIDE STUDENT WORKERS AT NO CHARGE TO THE CITY UNDER THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE HIGHEST QUOTE RECEIVED FROM WORLDWIDE ELECTRIC SALVAGE FOR THE SALE OF SURPLUS TRANSFORMERS FOR DG HUNTER AND OTHER MATERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9725-2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE, EXPROPRIATION OR OTHERWISE ACQUISITION BY THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OR TRACT OF LAND ON MASONIC DRIVE CONSISTENT WITH PREVIOUS RESOLUTION NO. 9654-2017 AND ORDINANCE NO. 81-2017; DECLARING IT IS NECESSARY OR USEFUL FOR THE AUTHORITY GRANTED THE CITY UNDER R.S. 19: 132, ET SEQ.; TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN PROPERTY WITHIN SPARC CRA-3, KNOWN AS THE MASONIC DRIVE CORRIDOR; RECONFIRMING THE INTENTION TO ADHERE TO EXISTING COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND LAND USE WITHIN THE MASONIC DRIVE DEVELOPMENT CORRIDOR AND OTHERWISE TO PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO, INCLUDING SPECIFIC COUNCIL POLICY FOR THE CORRIDOR AND ADDRESS OF CERTIFIED STAKEHOLDER QUESTIONS.

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

YEAS: Fowler, Silver, Johnson, Villard.

NAYS: Fuller, Green, Larvadain.

ABSENT: None.

This resolution was thereupon declared adopted on this the 28th day of November, 2017.

COMMITTEES

There were no reports from Finance and Legal Affairs Committee, Utility Committee, Personnel/Insurance Committee, Public Safety, Works and Transportation Committee and Economic, Workforce and Planning Development Committee.

Community Affairs, Services and Events Committee Chair, Mr. Villard reminded everyone that WinterFête was this weekend and that the 12 Nights of Christmas was December 1st – 22nd.

/S/ Roosevelt Johnson

President

ATTEST:

/S/ Donna P. Jones

City Clerk