

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 4, 2020

The City Council of the City of Bossier City, State of Louisiana, met in regular session in Council Chambers, 620 Benton Road, Bossier City, Louisiana, February 4, 2020, at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Jeffery Darby

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member David Montgomery, Jr.

Roll Call as follows:

Present: Honorable, President Scott Irwin, Honorable Councilors David Montgomery, Jr., Timothy Larkin, Jeffery Darby, Don Williams, Jeff Free and Thomas Harvey

Also Present: Mayor, Lorenz Walker, City Attorney, Jimmy Hall and City Attorney Secretary/Acting Clerk Jennifer Emert

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve minutes of January 21, 2020, Regular Meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Motion carries unanimously

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to add on #28 under New Business – Adopt an Ordinance to declare that an emergency does exist in the City of Bossier City which affects property, public health and safety due to the requirement to maintain street lights, traffic signal maintenance, street sign and maintenance to re-appropriate \$187,000.00 from the Traffic Engineering Division annual budget to funding for a private electrical contractor to assist with routine duties of the traffic engineering division.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Agenda as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Ceremonial Matters/Recognition of Guests-

David Jones – Red River Waterway Commission, updated Council on status of waterway 50 years later. He reported on the success of the program since the tax was passed 50 years ago and plans for the future.

Committee Reports-

Mark Hudson-City Engineer, went over the City's Monthly Project Report. He answered a few questions from members concerning details of various projects including the upcoming traffic signals on Swan Lake Road at I-220.

Unfinished Business –

None

New Business –

Agenda Item called - Witness opening of sealed bids for Bid #P20-01 42-inch Water Main Extension Project.

ASB Utility Construction, LLC.	\$5,478,100.00
Belt Construction, Inc.	\$5,280,478.00
Hemphill Construction Company	\$5,304,660.00
Pulley Construction, Inc.	\$6,444,000.00
S&J Construction	\$4,995,474.59
Wicker Construction, Inc.	\$5,363,210.00
Yor-Wic Construction Company, Inc.	\$7,832,805.40

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve reading of bids.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Agenda Item called – Witness opening of sealed bids for Bid#P20-05 Waller Avenue Sewer Rehabilitation Project

Belt Construction, Inc.	\$862,690.55
David Lawler Construction, Inc.	\$628,300.00
Horseshoe Construction	\$659,825.00
Pulley Construction, Inc.	\$639,000.00
Wicker Construction, Inc.	\$493,139.00
Yor-Wic Construction Company, Inc.	\$833,195.00

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve reading of bids.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Agenda Item called – Witness opening of sealed bids for Bid#P20-06 -Eastbank Restroom Project

Boggs & Poole Contracting	\$358,000.00
Carter Construction, Inc.	\$468,000.00
Daren Bailey, Inc.	\$373,437.00
Douglas Construction Remodeling	\$366,702.00
Testament Construction Services, LLC	\$370,589.00

By: Mr. Larkin

Motion to approve reading of bids.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Agenda Item called – Witness opening of sealed bids for Bid#19-2170 - 2121 Smith Street Demolition

3GEN Construction, LLC.	\$23,500.00
Lathan Construction, LLC.	\$15,000.00
Precision Builders, Inc.	\$32,550.00
SEMS, Inc.	\$20,738.00

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve reading of bids.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 10 OF 2020

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 133 OF 2018, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND BEING 7.073 ACRES MORE OR LESS, FROM B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) TO B-5 (INTERCHANGE BUSINESS) AT 4300 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE EXTENSION / 4344 EAST TEXAS STREET, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA FOR A PROPOSED FUELING STATION AND CONVENIENCE STORE.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Ordinance No. 133 of 2018 of the City Council of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana, is hereby amended to provide that the zoning classification is hereby changed from B-3 (General Business) to B-5 (Interchange Business), for the following:

A 7.073 acres tract of land situated within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 23, Township 18 N, Range 13 W, Northwestern Land District, Louisiana Meridian, Bossier City, Bossier Parish, Louisiana and being a portion of Lot 13, Woodward Farms, unit Four, recorded in Book 72, Page 760 of the Official Records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and also being a portion of those parcels of land as described in the deed to Total Properties Incorporated recorded under Instrument Number 862886 of said Official Records (Legal description relied on is found under Instrument Number 772522 of said Official Records) hereafter referred to as the Total Properties Tract. Said 6.601 acre tract of land surveyed on the ground under the direction and supervision of Robert A. Hansen, Professional Land Surveyor No. 5159 and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows (the basis of bearings for the description is Grid North as established by GPS observation utilizing the Louisiana State Plane Coordinate System, Louisiana North Zone – 1701):

COMMENCING at a square concrete monument marked “LDH” found at the southwest corner of said Total Properties Tract and being on the north right of way line of Interstate Highway 20 as described in the deed recorded in Volume 310, Page 166 of said Official Records, from which a square concrete monument marked “LDH” found at an angle point in the north right of way line of said Interstate Highway 20 bears SOUTH 69 degrees 58 minutes 57 seconds WEST, 894.86 feet; THENCE NORTH 00 degrees 31 minutes 06 seconds EAST, 96.20 feet with the west line of said Total Properties Tract to a $\frac{5}{8}$ inch capped iron rod stamped “MCKIM & CREED” set at the southwest corner of said Lot 13 and being the POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE NORTH 00 degrees 31 minutes 06 seconds EAST, 894.28 feet with the west line of said Total Properties Tract to a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch iron pipe found at the beginning of a tangent 2 degree 16 minute curve;

THENCE passing at an arc length of 49.59 feet a found $\frac{1}{2}$ inch iron pipe and continuing for a total arc length of 212.95 feet, along the arc of said tangent curve, concave to the west, having a radius of 2527.75 feet and a chord bearing and distance of North 01 degree 53 minutes 43 seconds WEST, 212.88 feet to a $\frac{5}{8}$ inch capped iron rod stamped “MCKIM & CREED” set at the northwest corner of said Total Properties Tract, being on the south right of way line of US Highway 80, a 164-foot public right of way, as described in the deed to the State of Louisiana recorded under Instrument Number 94279 of said Official Records from which a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch iron rod found at the northwest corner of that parcel of land as described in the deed to Two Siblings, LLC recorded in Volume

1703, Page 278 of said Official Records bears SOUTH 69 degrees 59 minutes 46 seconds WEST 150.99 feet;

THENCE North 69 degrees 59 minutes 46 seconds EAST, with the south right of way line of said US Highway 80, passing a 5/8 inch capped iron rod stamped "MCKIM & CREED" set for reference at 446.55 feet, and continuing for a total distance of 546.55 feet to the centerline of Macks Bayou (the approximate mid-point between east and west tops of bank);

THENCE southerly the following three (3) calls with the centerline of said Macks Bayou:

1. SOUTH 02 degrees 48 minutes 31 seconds WEST, 134.36 feet;
2. SOUTH 19 degrees 08 minutes 25 seconds EAST 289.98 feet to a point from which a found 1/2 inch iron pipe bears SOUTH 63 degrees 11 minutes 42 seconds WEST 32.51 feet;
3. SOUTH 03 degrees 04 minutes 21 seconds WEST, 127.05 feet;

THENCE NORTH 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds WEST, through the interior of said Total Properties Tract, passing at 60.00 feet a 5/8 inch capped iron rod stamped "MCKIM & CREED" set for reference, continuing for a total distance of 154.02 feet to a 5/8 inch capped iron rod stamped "MCKIM & CREED" set;

THENCE SOUTH 02 degrees 16 minutes 19 seconds EAST, 87.10 feet through the interior of said Total Properties Tract to a 5/8 inch capped iron rod stamped "MCKIM & CREED" set;

THENCE SOUTH 87 degrees 38 minutes 40 seconds WEST , 410.17 feet through the interior of said Total Properties Tract to a 5/8 inch capped iron rod stamped "MCKIM & CREED" set;

THENCE SOUTH 00 degrees 31 minutes 06 seconds WEST, 655.37 feet parallel with and 30 feet east of the west line of said Total Properties Tract to a 5/8 inch capped iron rod stamped "MCKIM & CREED" set;

THENCE NORTH 89 degrees 28 minutes 54 seconds WEST, 30.00 feet through the interior of said Total Properties Tract to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 7.073 acres (308,094 +/- feet).

Motion was made by Mr. David Montgomery, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Don Williams.

to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

SCOTT IRWIN, PRESIDENT

PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

C-68-19

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 11 OF 2020

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 133 OF 2018, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND BEING 1.653 ACRES MORE OR LESS, BEING A RESUBDIVISION OF TRACT A, GOLDEN MEADOWS SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO 1, STAGE 1, AS RECORDED IN BOOK 450 AT PAGES 672 THROUGH 674, RECORDS OF BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, LOCATED IN SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RAGE 13 WEST, FROM B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) TO R-LD (RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY) FOR FUTURE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Ordinance No. 133 of 2018 of the City Council of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana, is hereby amended to provide that the zoning classification is hereby changed from B-3 (General Business) to R-LD (Residential Low Density), for the following:

Beginning at the Southwest Corner of Lot 1, Golden Meadows, Unit No. 1, Stage 1, said point lying on the Northerly right of way of Golden Meadows Boulevard, run South 57 degrees 21 minutes west along said right of way, a distance of 360.0 feet to the intersection with the Kansas City Southern Railroad right of way; thence North 32 degrees 39 minutes west along said right of way, a distance of 200.0 feet to the intersection with the rear property line of Lot 8, referenced subdivision; thence North 57 degrees 21 minutes East along the rear lot line of Lots 8 through 5, a distance of 360.0 feet to the point of intersection with the rear lot line of Lot 3, reference subdivision; thence South 32 degrees 39 minutes East along the rear lot line of Lots 3 through 1, a distance of 200 feet to the point of beginning.

Motion was made by Mr. David Montgomery, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin. adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 4th day of February, 2020.

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey
NAYS: none
ABSENT: none
ABSTAIN: none

SCOTT IRWIN, PRESIDENT

PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

C-66-19

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance requiring a reduction in residential speed on Waller Ave., Bossier City, LA from 30 MPH to 25 MPH.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 12 Of 2020

AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THAT AN EMERGENCY DOES EXIST IN THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY WHICH AFFECTS, PROPERTY, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY DUE TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR REPAIRS TO STREET LIGHTING ALONG THE ARTHUR RAY TEAGUE PARKWAY AT A COST OF \$450,000 TO COME FROM THE SALES TAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND WITH \$354,906 TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE CITY BY THE LOUISIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONS PUBLIC ENTITY ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, a public safety emergency exists due to obsolete and damaged roadway lighting along the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway;

WHEREAS, \$450,000 is available in the Sales Tax Capital Improvement Fund to be used for engineering design and construction of new roadway lighting along the A.R.T. Parkway;

WHEREAS, up to \$354,906 shall be reimbursed to the City for the roadway lighting by the Louisiana Public Service Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Bossier City Council does hereby declare that an emergency exists and appropriates \$450,000.00 to come from the Sales Tax Capital Improvements Fund to be used for emergency repairs to street lighting along the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway with \$354,906.00 to be reimbursed to the City by the Louisiana Public Service Commissions Public Entity Energy Efficiency Program.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Don Williams, and seconded by Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr. Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

Mr. Montgomery, Jr. stepped out of the meeting at 3:45 PM

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to purchase Asset Management Software which will include onsite Professional Services for configuration and setup to ensure success within the Lift Station Division at a cost of \$25,000.00 to come from the Sewer Capital and Contingency Fund.

Seconded by

No comment

Motion carried with the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

Nays: none

Absent: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Abstain: none

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to sign a Street Abandonment Plat, to abandon a small portion of Modica Street.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Motion carried with the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

Nays: none

Absent: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Abstain: none

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to accept the dedication into the city Street System the streets within Plantation Trace Garden Homes Unit No. 1 and Unit No. 2.

Seconded by Mr. Free

No comment

Motion carried with the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

Nays: none

Absent: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Abstain: none

Mr. Montgomery, Jr., returned to the meeting at 3:48 PM

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance declaring the Bossier City Civic Center located at 620 Benton Road, Bossier City, Louisiana as surplus to the needs of the City and no longer needed for a public purpose and authorizing the lease of the referenced facility for not less than the appraised value subject to adjustment for City Functions sponsored in the facility for a term of ten years with the option to renew in 10 year increments.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

Comments from various residents in objection and in favor of looking into the issue more. Also a formal objection was filed by a non-resident and the hearing will be held at the Council meeting on February 18, 2020. Names and address of speakers are on file in the City Clerk's office.

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance appropriating six hundred twenty thousand and No/100 (\$620,000.00) from the Land Acquisition Fund to purchase 30 acres of property contiguous to the Bossier City Water Plant from North Bossier Development Company 1100, LLC and authorizing Mayor Lorenz Walker to execute any and all documents in conjunction herewith.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Mr. Montgomery, Jr., stepped out of the meeting at 4:05 PM

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce a Supplemental Bond Ordinance authorizing the issuance of not exceeding Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000) of taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds, Series 2020, of the City of Bossier City, State of Louisiana, in accordance with the terms of the General Bond Ordinance adopted on July 6, 2010; prescribing the form and certain terms and conditions of said bonds; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 6 Of 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A PERMANENT PART-TIME GYM MONITOR FOR SHADY GROVE RECREATION CENTER FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 21 of 2018 implemented a requirement assuring that the City department budgets not be exceeded by any hiring of any personnel; and

WHEREAS, the position of permanent part-time gym monitor for Shady Grove Recreation Center is vacant due to retirement, resignation or termination; and

WHEREAS, the administration and the department assures that all current budgets have been verified and that no authorized salary has been exceeded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the administration is authorized to proceed with hiring procedures for the fulfillment of this position.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeffery Darby, and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 7 Of 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF AN OFFICER TO A SERGEANT A SERGEANT TO A LIEUTENANT AND A LIEUTENANT TO A CAPTAIN FOR THE BOSSIER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 21 of 2019 implemented a requirement assuring that the City department budgets not be exceeded by any hiring of any personnel; and

WHEREAS, the promotion of an Officer to a Sergeant a Sergeant to a Lieutenant and a Lieutenant to a Captain due to a retirement.

WHEREAS, the administration and the department assures that all current budgets have been verified and that no authorized salary has been exceeded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the administration is authorized to proceed with hiring procedures for the fulfillment of this position.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeffery Darby, and seconded by Mr. Thomas Harvey, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none
ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.
ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following **Resolution offered and adopted:**

RESOLUTION 8 Of 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF (3) POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE BOSSIER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 21 of 2019 implemented a requirement assuring that the City department budgets not be exceeded by any hiring of any personnel; and

WHEREAS, the hiring one (3) Police Officers due to the resignation of two Police Officers and the termination of one Police Officer.

WHEREAS, the administration and the department assures that all current budgets have been verified and that no authorized salary has been exceeded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the administration is authorized to proceed with hiring procedures for the fulfillment of this position.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Don Williams, and seconded by Mr. Thomas Harvey, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following **Resolution offered and adopted:**

RESOLUTION 9 Of 2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF TWO (2) JAILERS FOR THE BOSSIER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 21 of 2019 implemented a requirement assuring that the City department budgets not be exceeded by any hiring of any personnel; and

WHEREAS, the hiring of two (2) jailers due to the retirement of one Jailer and the resignation of one Jailer.

WHEREAS, the administration and the department assures that all current budgets have been verified and that no authorized salary has been exceeded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the administration is authorized to proceed with hiring procedures for the fulfillment of this position.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeff Free, and seconded by Mr. Thomas Harvey, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF 2020

A RESOLUTION TO ALTER THE DESIGN OF THE WALTER O. BIGBY CARRIAGEWAY TO ELIMINATE PROPOSED ROUND-A-BOUNTS AT HAMILTON ROAD AND SHED ROAD, AND TO POSTONE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE HAMILTON ROAD LEG AND SHED ROAD LEG OF THE PROJECT UNTIL FUTURE PHASES OF THE WALTER O. BIGBY CARRIAGEWAY.

WHEREAS; a redesign to the Walter O. Bigby Carriageway to remove proposed round-a-bouts at Hamilton Road, Shed Road, and install traditional stop sign controlled intersections will result in a more economical design;

WHEREAS; postponing the proposed extensions and improvements to the Hamilton Road leg and Shed Road leg, will result in a more economical design;

WHEREAS; Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Traffic Engineering Division Administrator does not object to removing the round-a-bouts and replacing with stop sign controlled intersections as conveyed in an email dated January 23, 2020 addressed to the City Engineer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, in regular session convened that the Bossier City Council does hereby approve altering the design of the Walter O. Bigby Carriageway to eliminate proposed round-a-bouts at Hamilton Road, Shed Road, and to postpone improvements to the Hamilton Road leg and the Shed Road leg of the project until future phases of the Walter O. Bigby Carriageway;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any and all instruments in connection with the furtherance of this Ordinance.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Thomas Harvey and seconded by Mr. Jeff Free, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 11 OF 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A SENIOR OPERATOR AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 21 of 2018 implemented a requirement assuring that the City department budgets not be exceeded by any hiring of any personnel; and

WHEREAS, the position of Senior Water Treatment Plant Operator is vacant due to promotion; and

WHEREAS, the administration and the department assures that all current budgets have been verified and that no authorized salary has been exceeded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the administration is authorized to proceed with hiring procedures for the fulfillment of this position.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeffery Darby and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 12 Of 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF ONE (1) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST FOR THE BOSSIER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 21 of 2019 implemented a requirement assuring that the City department budgets not be exceeded by any hiring of any personnel; and

WHEREAS, the hiring one (1) Information Technology Specialist to fill a budgeted position.

WHEREAS, the administration and the department assures that all current budgets have been verified and that no authorized salary has been exceeded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the administration is authorized to proceed with hiring procedures for the fulfillment of this position.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeffery Darby, and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 13 OF 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY THROUGH INSTITUTION OF EXPROPRIATION PROCEEDINGS FOR STREET AND WATER PROJECTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE WALTER O. BIGBY CARRIAGEWAY PARKWAY NORTH EXTENSION ROAD PROJECT AND WATERLINE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City is in the process of acquiring needed properties necessary to facilitate construction and completion of street and water projects in connection with the Walter O. Bigby Carriageway Parkway North Extension road project and waterline project (the "Project");

WHEREAS, the Project will require the acquisition of additional parcels of property, specifically including, but not limited to, the following property parcel/tract:

Full ownership, less minerals, of a 82.0 sq. ft. tract of land and improvements, located in Bossier Parish, Louisiana at 1025 Wanda Street, owned by Joseph Charles Young and the Unopened Succession of Debra Gayle White Young, more fully described as:

A part of Lot 22 Greenway Subdivision, a subdivision of Bossier Parish, Louisiana as per plat recorded in Book 141, Page 425 of the conveyance records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana. Said property being further described as follows:

COMMENCE at the Southernmost corner of said Lot 22, Greenway Subdivision and proceed North 42 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West along the westerly line of Lot 22 for 118.00 feet to and for the POINT OF BEGINNING;

From said POINT OF BEGINNING proceed 42 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West along the westerly line of Lot 22 for 5.58' to the northwest corner of Lot 22 and a point on the non-tangential curve to the life;

THENCE Northeasterly along the northwestern line of Lot 22 and along said curve (having a radius of 1671.84 feet, an internal angle of 01 degrees 01 minutes 37 seconds, and a chord of 29.97 feet along a bearing of North 52 degrees 16 minutes 14 seconds East) for 29.97 feet to a point;

THENCE South 41 degrees 35 minutes 41 seconds West for 30.04 feet back to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 82.0 square feet or 0.002 acres.

WHEREAS, in the event that the offer of compensation for the purchase of the necessary additional parcels of property are not accepted by any property owner, and a voluntary agreement and/or settlement for the purchase of said property cannot be reached for the property parcels- listed above, then in that event the City of Bossier City, acting under the authority and in a manner authorized by Art. 1, Sec. 4 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana (1974); La. R.S. 19:121-129, La. R.S. 48:449-459; La. R.S. 33:1329, La. R.S. 48:1259, La. R.S. 48:441-460; or any other applicable laws of the State of Louisiana, desires to acquire said expropriation pursuant to applicable law;

WHEREAS, public necessity dictates that the property described herein must be owned by and subject to use by the City of Bossier City; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 19:123(3)(a) and La. R.S. 48:1259 the City Council declares that the acquisition or taking of the property described herein is necessary or useful for highway, street, drainage, water or sewerage purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Bossier, in regular session convened, that the City is authorized to acquire all property necessary to facilitate construction and completion of the Project, including, if necessary, the filing and

prosecution of any expropriation or taking actions related to the Project in the proper court of law, with the law firm of Neil Erwin Law, LLC, being hereby authorized to represent the City with the expropriation proceedings involving the property described herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized is hereby authorized to execute any documents in furtherance of this Resolution.

If any provision or item of this Resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications and to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Bossier City authorizes the City Attorney to take whatever action necessary in furtherance of this Resolution.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full in open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Thomas Harvey, and seconded by Mr. Jeff Free, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 14 Of 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF FIFTY FIVE (55) SEASONAL SWIMMING POOL EMPLOYEES FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 21 of 2018 and Ordinance 76 of 2019 implemented a requirement assuring that the City department budgets not be exceeded by any hiring of any personnel; and

WHEREAS, the position of Seasonal Swimming Pool Employees is vacant due to seasonal employment; and

WHEREAS, the administration and the department assures that all current budgets have been verified and that no authorized salary has been exceeded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the administration is authorized to proceed with hiring procedures for the fulfillment of this position.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Thomas Harvey, and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 15 OF 2020
A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARK HUDSON’S LETTER
ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT “A”**

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City has initiated construction on the Walter O. Bigby Carriageway to alleviate traffic congestion and encourage greater economy and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Bossier City will benefit from this road project by improving traffic and infrastructure across the City; and

WHEREAS, this road project will significantly impact the flow of traffic on Benton Road in front of Greenacres Office Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City will construct a two lane concrete drive that will connect the parking lot of Greenacres Office Park to the stubbed out end of Citizen’s Bank Drive at the City’s cost; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City will commence construction of this drive no later than 90 days after substantial completion of the bridge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that construction on the extension of Citizens Bank Drive ending in Greenacres Office Park’s parking lot will begin no later than 90 days after substantial completion of the bridge.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeffery Darby, and seconded by Mr. Thomas Harvey, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #2 for the Sewer-Sub Basin BC-10 Phase 2 Project for an increase of \$2,025.40. Total cost of contract with change order \$413,638.53.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Motion carried with the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

Nays: none

Absent: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Abstain: none

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #3 for the Sewer-Sub Basin BC-10 Phase 1 Project for a decrease of \$82,814.39. Total cost of contract with change order \$995,415.19.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Motion carried with the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

Nays: none

Absent: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Abstain: none

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #2 for the North/South Waterline Connector Project for a decrease of \$54,172.50. Total cost of contract with decrease \$1,490,386.50.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Motion carried with the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

Nays: none

Absent: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Abstain: none

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 13 Of 2020

AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THAT AN EMERGENCY DOES EXIST IN THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY WHICH AFFECTS, PROPERTY, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY DUE TO THE REQUIREMENT TO MAINTAIN STREET LIGHTS, TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE, STREET SIGN AND MAINTENANCE, TO RE-APPROPRIATE \$187,000 FROM THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION ANNUAL BUDGET TO FUNDING FOR A PRIVATE ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR TO ASSIST WITH ROUTINE DUTIES OF THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION.

WHEREAS, three (3) vacancies within the Traffic Engineering Division with salaries and benefits equaling \$137,067.00 have not been filled;

WHEREAS, \$17,933 from Repair and Maintenance for Traffic Signals is available for re-appropriation;

WHEREAS; \$32,000 from Repairs and Maintenance for street lights is available for re-appropriation;

WHEREAS; the sum of the items above equaling \$187,000.00 shall be re-appropriated for funding to contract with a private electrical contractor (Wilhite Electric) to provide routine Traffic Engineering Division duties including but not being limited to street light maintenance, traffic signal maintenance; street sign installation and maintenance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Bossier City Council does hereby declare that an emergency exists and re-appropriates \$187,000.00 from the Traffic Engineering Division annual budget to funding for a private electrical contractor to assist with routine duties of the Traffic Engineering Division.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Don Williams, and seconded by Mr. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 4th, day of February, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

ABSTAIN: none

Scott Irwin, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

Announcements – Council thanked Ms. Jennifer Emert for her assistance in the meeting today since the City Clerk was out.

There being no further business to come before this Council, meeting adjourned at 4:16PM by Mr. Irwin

Respectfully submitted:

Phyllis McGraw

City Clerk

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