

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY  
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 7, 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, July 7, 2020 at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Scott Irwin

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 (conference call), Don Williams, Jeff Free and Thomas Harvey

Also Present: Mayor, Lorenz Walker, City Attorney, Jimmy Hall and City Clerk, Phyllis McGraw

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Minutes of the June 16, 2020, Regular Meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Free

Motion to approve Agenda.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**Committee Reports –**

Gordon Mosley, Assistant City Attorney, updated Council on the Property Acquisition Report. He noted that all properties needed in order for construction to begin on various projects, has been acquired or in process of being acquired.

Justin Haydel, Manchac, gave the Council a time table for Walter O. Bigby Carriageway Project. He noted that he had been able to secure a Conditional Approval from Union Pacific Railroad.

**Unfinished Business –**

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 66 Of 2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND (\$64,000) FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2020 CAPITAL BUDGET TO THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING BUDGET TO ACCOMPLISH NEW ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR CAMERA INSTALLATIONS IN THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY.**

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**WHEREAS**, funding was placed in the 2020 Police Department Capital Budget to complete camera installations around the City of Bossier City; and

**WHEREAS**, Wilhite Electric is currently working a variety of projects for the Traffic Engineering Department and will incorporate these electrical services into these projects; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that sixty-four thousand (\$64,000) is hereby authorized to be transferred from the 2020 Police Department Capital Budget to the Traffic Engineering Budget to provide for electrical service for various camera installations.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeff Free, and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 67 Of 2020**

**AN ORDINANCE REVOKING THE AUTHORIZATION TO REFUND BONDS AS SET FORTH IN ORDINANCE NO. 44 OF 2020 AND ORDINANCE 53 OF 2020.**

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the declaration of a Public Health Emergency the State of Louisiana ordered the local economy to close resulting in significant impacts due to the concerns about COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City has adopted ordinances contemplating refunding of separate bond issues as follows; and

**Ordinance No. 44 of 2020 – April 21 2020**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING ONE HUNDRED THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$130,000,000) OF TAXABLE UTILITES REVENUE REFUNDING 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; PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

**Ordinance No. 53 of 2020 – May 19, 2020**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO PROCEED WITH A NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000,000 FINANCING THROUGH THE LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN BONDS OF THE AUTHORITY AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

**WHEREAS**, after a review of the economic effect caused by the COVID-19 Crisis on various sources of revenue to the City of Bossier City it is prudent to review the debts structure of the City of Bossier City and adopt a comprehensive debt management plan; and

**WHEREAS**, it is prudent to monitor the return of the economy and the impacts on revenue streams for the City of Bossier City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that authorization for the following bond refunding's;

**Ordinance No. 44 of 2020 – April 21 2025**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING ONE HUNDRED THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$130,000,000) OF TAXABLE UTILITES REVENUE REFUNDING 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; PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

**Ordinance No. 53 of 2020 – May 19, 2020**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO PROCEED WITH A NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000,000 FINANCING THROUGH THE LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN BONDS OF THE AUTHORITY AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

is hereby revoked and any further actions by agents or contractors of the City of Bossier City are hereby requested to cease.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Scott Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 68 Of 2020**

**ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO PURCHASE ROTATING ASSEMBLIES FOR THE 14” AND 8” PUMPS AND TO REPAIR AND REPLACE 14” PUMP THAT FAILED AT A COST OF \$120,000.00 TO COME FROM THE SEWER CAPITAL AND CONTINGENCY FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, the City is recommending to purchase rotating assemblies for both the 14” and 8” pumps. One spare for each will be placed in inventory for use when needed as the lead times on these components is estimated at 5 months. The second 14” rotating assembly will be used to rebuild the existing 14” pump that failed. Additional costs include machine shop labor and additional support as necessary to remove and replace the pump. As much work as possible will be performed using Utility Department staff.

**WHEREAS**, \$120,000.00 will come from the *Sewer Capital and Contingency Funds*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Bossier City Council does hereby approve an ordinance to appropriate \$120,000.00 to come from the *Sewer Capital and Contingency Funds* to purchase parts and repair pumps at the North Bossier Pump Station.

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. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**New Business –**

**Agenda Item Called –** Witness opening of sealed bids for Bid#P20-14 BCFD Burn Building

Boggs & Poole Contracting Group, Inc.	\$1,218,000.00
Cochran Construction Company, Inc.	\$1,225,000.00
ELA Group, Inc.	\$1,154,675.00
Integrity, Inc.	\$1,188,700.00
JREED Constructors	\$1,084,000.00

McInnis Brothers Construction, Inc. \$1,184,500.00

By: Mr. Williams  
Motion to approve reading of bids.  
Seconded by Mr. Free  
No comment  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**Agenda Item Called** – Witness opening of sealed bids for Bid#P20-15 Mack’s Bayou Rehabilitation Project

2R Construction, LLC. \$1,138,137.00  
Axis Construction, LLC. \$1,050,000.00  
CW&W Contractors, Inc. \$ 951,104.00  
David Lawler Construction, Inc. \$ 1,491,760.00  
Yor-Wic Construction Company, Inc. \$ 949,056.50

By: Mr. Irwin  
Motion to approve reading of bids.  
Seconded by Mr. Williams  
No comment  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 69 OF 2020

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE ON A TRACT OF LAND ZONED B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) LOCATED AT 5017 SHED ROAD, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA FOR SMALL CELL TOWER.

WHEREAS; New Cingular Wireless, has applied to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for Conditional Use approval classified as a Small Cell Tower in the Unified Development Code and being located at 5017 Shed Road, Bossier City, LA; and

WHEREAS; a public hearing for the Conditional Use application was held on June 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS; the Planning Department has submitted the results of said public hearing to the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Bossier City; and

WHEREAS; the Conditional Use approval shall expire after One (1) year from the date of approval unless the project has begun or the applicant re-submits a complete Conditional Use review application to the MPC.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. That the Conditional Use, for New Cingular Wireless located at 5017 Shed Road, Bossier City, LA 71111, is hereby approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Jeff Free and seconded by Mr. Thomas Harvey to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 7th day of July, 2020.

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

NAYS: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

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David Montgomery, Jr., PRESIDENT

PHYLLIS McGRAW, CITY CLERK

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**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 70 Of 2020**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING AN EMERGENCY DOES EXIST, AFFECTING THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC, REGARDING ACQUISITION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SUPPLIES FOR FIRST RESPONDERS AS A RESULT OF THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK AND AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$200,000.00) FROM THE 2020 EMS CAPITAL AND CONTINGENCY FUND TO PURCHASE MEDICAL SUPPLIES**

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**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 outbreak has strained supplies of medical protective gear and orders need to be accelerated to protect first responders and the public as the outbreak spreads; and

**WHEREAS**, these supplies protect the health, safety and welfare of the first responders and the public; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that an emergency does exist affecting the health and safety of the public and that two hundred thousand dollars and no/100 (\$200,000.00) is hereby appropriated from the 2020 EMS Capital and Contingency Fund to purchase medical supplies.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeff Free, and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

By: Mr. Larkin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to re-appropriate \$70,000.00 from the Public Service Complex Generator Project to the Bossier Animal Control Building Project with funds for both projects being in the 2020 Sales Tax Capital Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

Mr. Montgomery asked if the Generator was not included in Bids for Animal Control Building and Ms. Fernandez responded it was not.

No further comment  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to fund the East Texas Street, Industrial Drive & Airline Drive Sewer Rehab Project at a cost of \$1,214,000.00 to come from the Sewer Capital and Contingency Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate \$350,000 to come from the 2017 LCDA Bond to match the \$350,000 provided by the Public Service Commission to replace the lighting inside and out at the Centurylink Center.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

Mr. Montgomery thanked Public Service Commissioner for his help with this project.

No further comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Free

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate \$390,000.00 from the Sales Tax Capital Improvement Fund to be used to replace lighting at the Police Building and Public Service Complex with Energy Efficient LED Fixtures with \$296,858.00 to be reimbursed to the City by the Louisiana Public Service Commission's Public Entity Energy Efficiency Program.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

Mr. Montgomery thanked Public Service Commissioner for his help with this project.

No further comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate \$500,000 to come from the Water Capital and Contingency Fund to be used for the purchase of additional Water Meters.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate \$250,000 to come from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund to be used for the operational needs of the Centurylink Center.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Free

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to declare certain movable equipment owned by City of Bossier City as surplus to the City's need and provide for donation to the City of Minden Police Department in accordance with Law.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

#### **RESOLUTION 51 Of 2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A METER READER FOR THE CUSTOMER SERVICE 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 a METER READER is vacant due to 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. Don Williams, and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION 52 Of 2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF ONE (1) A POLICE OFFICER 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 one Police Officer due to the retirement 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. Thomas Harvey, and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin, and adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION 53 Of 2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF AN OFFICER TO A SERGEANT A SERGEANT TO A LIEUTENANT AND A LIEUTENANT TO A CAPTAIN.**

**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 the retirement 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION 54 Of 2020**

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF CITY SEWER TO SERVE THE PROPERTY AT 5486 AIRLINE DRIVE (LANDPOINT OFFICE BUILDING), WITH THE PROPERTY BEING LOCATED OUTSIDE THE BOSSIER CITY LIMITS.**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 79 of 2014 requires that all commercial use of Bossier City water and sewer outside the city limits requires approval of the Bossier City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, all permit fees, impact fees, and all other rules and regulations shall apply; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Bossier City Council resolves to approve the use of city sewer to serve the property at 5486 Airline Drive (Landpoint Office Building), with the property being located outside the Bossier City limits.;

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 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**Agenda Item Called:** Public Hearing concerning the City of Bossier City's 2020-2024 Application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for funding (Entitlement Status) under authority of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 3535) (d) and (42 U.S.C. 5301) (et seq.) and a substantial amendment to the City of Bossier City's FY 2019 Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant Funds and the City's Application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for funding (Entitlement Status) under authority of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic

Security Act (Cares Act) (Public Law 116-136) and Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 3535) (d) and (42 U.S.C. 5301) (et. seq.)

Mr. Montgomery opened the Public Hearing and Bob Brown, City Community Development Director, went over the applications with the Council and audience. Mr. Montgomery opened the floor for public comment. Hearing no comments from the public, Mr. Montgomery closed the hearing at 3:34 P.M.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 55 OF 2020

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING (ENTITLEMENT STATUS) UNDER AUTHORITY OF TITLE I OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974 (42 U.S.C. 3535) (d) and (42 U.S.C. 5301) (et.seq.)

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana that the City of Bossier City Council hereby supports the City's Five-Year Consolidated Strategy Plan and 2020 Action Plan and application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for funding (Entitlement Status) under authority of the Consolidation for the following: Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS): title I of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. 12702-12711; Community Development Block Grants (CDBG): title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5304-5320; Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG): title VI, subtitle B, of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 11371-11378; HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME): title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez Nation Affordable Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. 12741-12839; Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA): the AIDS; Housing Opportunity Act, 42 U.S.C. 12901-12912; Also serving as a basis for determining requirements in this rule are the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619), title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act, and Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u).

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the Community Development Entitlement Program is the development of viable urban communities, including decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income, and whereas, consistent with this primary objective, the Federal Assistance realized from this application is for the support of community development activities which are directed toward the following specific objectives:

- (1) The elimination of slums and blight and the prevention of blighting influences and the deterioration of property and neighborhood and community facilities of importance to the welfare of the community, principally persons of low and moderate income;

- (2) The elimination of conditions which are detrimental to health, safety and public welfare, through code enforcement, demolition, interim rehabilitation assistance, and related activities;
- (3) The conversion of the city's housing stock in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for all persons, but principally those of low and moderate income;
- (4) The improvement of the quality of community services, principally for persons of low and moderate income, which are essential for sound community development;
- (5) The reduction of the isolation of income groups within communities and geographical areas and the promotion of an increase in the diversity and vitality of neighborhoods of housing opportunities for person of lower income and the revitalization of deteriorating neighborhoods to attract persons of higher income; and
- (6) The restoration and preservation of properties of special value or historic, architecture or aesthetic reasons.

WHEREAS, THE City of Bossier City possesses legal authority to apply for this grant, and all other related Housing Urban Development Programs to execute all proposed projects and whereas, this City is now established as an "Entitlement City";

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Bossier City hereby supports Lorenz Walker, Mayor of Bossier City, Louisiana, the chief official of Bossier City, to apply for and sign all document as necessary and appropriate in the City's application of Housing and Urban Development Programs.

This resolution on a motion by Mr. Scott Irwin and second by Mr. Timothy Larkin and having been submitted to a vote and declared adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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David Montgomery, Jr., President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 56 OF 2020**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 ACTION PLAN FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS AND A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING (ENTITLEMENT STATUS) UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) (PUBLIC LAW 116-136) AND TITLE I OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974 (42 U.S.C. 3535) (d) and (42 U.S.C. 5301) (et.seq.)**

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**WHEREAS**, the primary objective of The Coronavirus Aid, Relief And Economic Security Act (Cares Act) (Public Law 116-136) makes available supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for grants to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus (CDBG-CV grants).

**WHEREAS**, the primary objective of the Community Development Entitlement Program is the development of viable urban communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, expanding economic opportunities for persons of low and moderate income, and whereas, consistent with this primary objective; the Federal Assistance realized from this application is for the support of community development activities which are directed toward the following specific objectives:

- (7) The elimination of slums and blight and the prevention of blighting influences and the deterioration of property and neighborhood and community facilities of importance to the welfare of the community, principally persons of low and moderate income;
- (8) The elimination of conditions which are detrimental to health, safety and public welfare, through code enforcement, demolition, interim rehabilitation assistance, and related activities;
- (9) The conversion of the city's housing stock in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for all persons, but principally those of low and moderate income;
- (10) The improvement of the quality of community services, principally for persons of low and moderate income, which are essential for sound community development;
- (11) The reduction of the isolation of income groups within communities and geographical areas and the promotion of an increase in the diversity and vitality of neighborhoods of housing opportunities for person of lower income and the revitalization of deteriorating neighborhoods to attract persons of higher income; and
- (12) The restoration and preservation of properties of special value or historic, architecture or aesthetic reasons.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City possesses legal authority to apply for this grant amendment: In the amount of \$317,112 for supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for grants to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus (CDBG-CV grants).

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana that the City of Bossier City Council hereby supports the City's Five-Year Consolidated Strategy Plan and Amendment to the 2019 Action Plan and application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for funding (Entitlement Status) under authority of the Consolidation for the following: Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS): title I of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. 12702-12711; Community Development Block Grants (CDBG): title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5304-5320; Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG): title VI, subtitle B, of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 11371-11378; HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME): title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez Nation Affordable Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. 12741-12839; Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA): the AIDS; Housing Opportunity Act, 42 U.S.C. 12901-12912; Also serving as a basis for determining requirements in this rule are the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619), title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, title II of the Americans With

Disabilities Act, and Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Bossier City hereby supports Lorenz J. Walker, Mayor of Bossier City, Louisiana, the chief official of Bossier City, to apply for and sign all documents as necessary and following amounts:

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Bossier City hereby supports Lorenz Walker, Mayor of Bossier City, Louisiana, the chief official of Bossier City, to apply for and sign all documents as necessary and appropriate in the City's application of Housing and Urban Development Programs.

This resolution on a motion Mr. Don Williams and second by Mr. Timothy Larkin and having been submitted to a vote and declared adopted on the 7th day of July, 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

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David Montgomery, Jr., President

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Phyllis A. McGraw, City Clerk

<b>Proposed Projects for 2020 CDBG-CV for Substantial Amendment</b>			
	<b>Name of Prospective sub recipient</b>	<b>Name of Proposed Project</b>	<b>Proposed Funding</b>
1	Compassion for Lives	Career And Jobs Development	\$ 200,000.00
2	Community Servicies	Special Need Transportation/PPE, etc.	\$ 15,000.00
3	Multi-Cultural Development Center-	Default/Loss Mitigation & Home Retention	\$ 20,000.00
4	Bossier City - Community Development	Small Business Forgivable Loans	\$ 82,112.00
5	Bossier City - Community Development	Administration	\$ 63,422.00
	<b>Total</b>		\$ 317,112.00
	<b>Total Available</b>		\$ 317,112.00

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 57 OF 2020**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING BOSSIER CITY POLICE AND FIRE  
FIRST RESPONDERS FOR CARRYING OUT ESSENTIAL TASKS  
DURING THIS UNPRECEDENTED TIME OF CRISIS CREATED BY  
(COVID-19) AND CIVIL UNREST.**

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**WHEREAS**, the Bossier City Police and Fire Department serve the citizens and have shown bravery and courage by putting themselves at risk while dealing with the public during (Covid-19) and this time of civil unrest; and

**WHEREAS**, these First Responders daily serve to protect the citizens of Bossier City and ensure that our community is protected from any issue that may put the public at risk;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Bossier, in regular session convened, does hereby recognize and commend all members of the Bossier City Police and Fire Departments for their professionalism, vigilance, and self-sacrifice in carrying out the most essential tasks during this unprecedented time of crisis created by (Covid-19) and civil unrest.

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 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

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**David Montgomery, Jr., President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #1 for the Misc. Sewer Lift Station Project for an increase of \$28,045.43, total of contract with Change Order \$871,245.43.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #3 for the Sewer-Sub Basin BC-14 Project for an increase of \$545,232.44. Total cost of contract with Change Order \$3,084,904.87.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to approve Parade Permit Fee Waiver for Green Acres Place HOA, July 4th Parade, Saturday, July 4, 2020.

(Application Received by PD 6-19-2020)

Seconded by Mr. Free

Questions from Mr. Harvey about this process and why does the Council keep getting these Fee Waiver requests after the fact. Mr. Williams reported he had a copy of the Ordinance and would be making some suggestions and sending those out to the Council Members to review.

No further comments  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting adjourned at 3:42PM by Mr. Irwin**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Phyllis McGraw  
City Clerk  
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