

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY  
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 16, 2018

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, October 16, 2018, 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 Councilor Jeff Free, President, Honorable Councilors, David Montgomery, Jr, Timothy Larkin, Scott Irwin, Jeffery Darby, Don Williams and Thomas Harvey

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

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve minutes October 2, 2018, Regular Meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to amend agenda to include item #14 under New Business – Introduce an Ordinance amending the Police Department Operations Budget by appropriating \$104,282.30 to compensate Canine Handlers for overtime from the 2018 and 2019 General Fund Fund Balance.

Second by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Motion failed to be added due to failure to get unanimous vote. Vote:

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

Nays: Mr. Darby

Absent: none

Abstain: none

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to amend agenda to include item #14 under New Business – Introduce an Ordinance amending the Fire Department Operations Budget by appropriating \$\$13,877.67 to compensate Canine Handlers for overtime from the 2018 and 2019 General Fund Fund Balance.

Second by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Motion failed to be added due to failure to get unanimous vote. Vote:

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

Nays: Mr. Darby

Absent: none

Abstain: none

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to amend agenda to include item #14 under New Business – Introduce an Ordinance appropriating \$6,000.00 from the General Fund Fund Balance to provide for Educational Incentives for the Permits and Inspections Department Budget.

Second by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Motion failed to be added due to failure to get unanimous vote. Vote:

Yeas: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin, Mr. Irwin and Mr. Free

Nays: Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams and Mr. Harvey

Absent: none

Abstain: none

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.  
Motion to amend agenda to include item #14 under New Business - Approve Parade Permit Fee Waiver for 2018 Heroes Run Saturday October 27, 2018.  
Second by Mr. Williams  
No comment  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.  
Motion to approve Agenda as amended.  
Seconded by Mr. Williams  
No comment  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

### **Ceremonial Matters/Recognition of Guests**

Commission for Women Vice President, Rebecca Bonnevier, went over what the Commission for Women is about and Mr. Free had the students introduce themselves the schools they attend.

Bossier Arts Council Director Robin Jones along with Arts Council Community Coordinator, Michael Burns, gave the Council and the Mayor The Eastbank District Update noting events that have already happened and some coming up in the District. They also noted things they are working on.

Jeff Moulton, Cyber Security Expert, gave Council and Mayor a briefing on the dangers of Cyber Crime and how easy it is to be hit by Cyber criminals. He went over a few things that can be done to help protect yourself.

### **Committee Reports**

Stacie Fernandez, City Finance Director, presented City Council and Administration the monthly Finance Report noting that Sales Tax has continued to stay around 6 percent higher for the year.

Mark Hudson, City Engineer, gave City Council and Administration the Monthly Project Update. Mr. Hudson went over the various ongoing projects and noted that Shed Road should be complete with one more month of good weather. Council asked questions about parking lot improvements at CenturyLink and were updated on status.

### **Unfinished Business –**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 130 OF 2018**

**AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE CERTAIN MOVABLE EQUIPMENT OWNED BY CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AS SURPLUS TO THE CITY'S NEED AND PROVIDE FOR SALVAGE AND DISPOSAL ACCORDING TO LAW.**

**WHEREAS**, the City has accumulated certain movable equipment which is now surplus to the City's need and it is in the best interest of the City to salvage and dispose of said equipment according to law.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened that the following equipment described is surplus to the City's needs:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REF. NO.</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>
<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>MILEAGE</u>	

1. See Attachment A
2. see Attachment B

**HOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened that the Purchasing Agent is authorized to dispose of said equipment in accordance to law.

The above and foregoing ORDINANCE was read in full at open and regular session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeffery Darby seconded by Mr. David Montgomery, Jr. and adopted on this 16th day of October, 2018, 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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Jeff Free, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 131 Of 2018**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZNG MAYOR LORENZ WALKER TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED REVISED COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AND BARKSDALE FORWARD, INC.**

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**WHEREAS**, previously there was a cooperate endeavor agreement between the City of Bossier City and the Barksdale Forward, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, updates have been made to the previous contract as reflected in the cooperative endeavor agreement attached hereto; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz Walker on behalf of the City of Bossier City is hereby authorized to execute the attached revised cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Bossier City and Barksdale Forward, Inc.

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 16th, day of October, 2018, by the following vote:

YES: 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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**Jeff Free, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

**Ordinance No. 132 Of 2018**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR LORENZ WALKER TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED REVISED COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AND THE BOSSIER CITY COUNCIL ON AGING**

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**WHEREAS**, previously there was a cooperate endeavor agreement between the City of Bossier City and the Bossier City Council on Aging; and

**WHEREAS**, updates have been made to the previous contract as reflected in the cooperative endeavor agreement attached hereto; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz Walker on behalf of the City of Bossier City is hereby authorized to execute the attached revised cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Bossier City and Bossier City Council on Aging.

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. David Montgomery, Jr., and adopted on the 16th, day of October, 2018, by the following vote:

YES: 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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**Jeff Free, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**New Business –**

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance adopting and enacting an amended Unified Development Code for the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission and the City of Bossier City, Louisiana; Providing for the repeal of certain Ordinances; Providing for a penalty for the violation thereof; Providing for the manner of amending such Code; and providing when such Code and this Ordinance shall become effective.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

MPC Director, Sam Marsiglia, went over some of the reasons for Code Update and noted that with the new changes, petitioners would save about 30 days. No further comment.

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate \$47,000.00 from the Parkway Capital Projects Fund to be used for City Wide Pavement Markings Improvements.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

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 salvage and disposal according to law.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to approve the closure and abandonment of a portion of Edwards Street.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute an "Act of Exchange" with the Red River Waterway District.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance revising and replacing Article II. Collections and Disposal of Chapter 94- Solid Waste of the Bossier City Code of Ordinances.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Larkin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate funds to cover construction cost for the Lasands Sewer Lift Station Improvement Project for a total of \$200,000.00 to come from the Sewer Capital Contingency Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

#### **RESOLUTION 86 Of 2018**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF ONE TRAFFIC CONTROL LEAD TECHNICIAN TO REPLACE THE POSITION DUE TO RESIGNATION, FOR THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION.**

**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 Traffic Control Lead Technician 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. David Montgomery, Jr., and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 16th, day of October, 2018, by the following vote:

YES: 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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**Jeff Free, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION 87 Of 2018**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF ONE POLICE OFFICER FOR THE BOSSIER CITY POLICE 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 (1) Police Officer is vacant due to one (1) resignation.

**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 16th, day of October, 2018, by the following vote:

YES: 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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**Jeff Free, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #2 for the East Texas Gravity Main Project for an increase of \$101,745.16. Total cost of contract with increase \$2,461,936.02.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #1 and Final for Glen Haven Court Reconstruction an increase of \$13,471.27. Total cost of contract with increase \$197,541.17.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #1 for the Greenacres Force Main Project for a decrease of \$28,675.33. Total cost of contract with decrease \$1,459,540.67.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #1 for the Golden Meadows Sewer Lift Station Project for an increase of \$19,737.29. Total cost of contract with increase \$817,737.29.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Darby

Motion to approve Parade Permit Fee Waiver for 2018 Heroes Run Saturday, October 27, 2018.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**There being no further business to come before this Council, meeting adjourned at 4:04PM by Mr. Free**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Phyllis McGraw**

**City Clerk**

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