

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING
December 1, 2015

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, December 1, 2015, at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Jeffery Darby

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Jeff Free

Roll Call as follows:

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

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

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2015, Regular Council 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 add #17 under New Business - Introduce an Ordinance assigning the operation of the Permits and Inspections Department to the Bossier City Fire Department effective with the passage of this Ordinance.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve Agenda as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No Comment

Vote in favor or motion is unanimous

Stacie Brown, Director Shreveport-Bossier Tourist Commission, updated Council on events and tourism trends in the area as well as presented Council with their 2016 Operating Budget.

Joe Buffington, Finance Director, gave Council Monthly Financial Report.

Old Business:

Agenda Item called: Adopt an Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a Drainage Easement Dedication located at Wesla Federal Credit Union/2600 Melrose Avenue, Bossier City, Louisiana.

Item failed for lack of motion.

Agenda Item called: Adopt an Ordinance declaring the property located at 801 Benton Road, Bossier City, Louisiana surplus to the needs of the City and ordering it to be sold for not less than the appraised price of \$1,850,000.00 and otherwise provide with respect thereto.

By: Mr. Montgomery

Amend Ordinance to change due date of sealed bids to January 21, 2016 and to reintroduce as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 147 Of 2015

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$1,335,000.00 FROM THE 2015 RIVERBOAT GAMING CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TO PURCHASE 20 POLICE VEHICLES AND 3 FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES.

WHEREAS, GM has allocated limited numbers of public bid Tahoe's for purchase by government agencies;

WHEREAS the police department has hired 10 new officers and needs vehicles for the fleet; and

WHEREAS the fire department needs 3 new vehicles; and

WHEREAS the funds in the sales tax capital equipment fund were used for body cameras; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, does hereby appropriate \$1,335,000.00 from the 2015 Riverboat Gaming Capital Projects to purchase 20 vehicles for the Bossier City Police Department and 3 vehicles for the Bossier City Fire Department.

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 1st, day of December, 2015, 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

New Business:

Witness opening of sealed bids for ART Parkway Flood Mitigation Project.

1.	Boggs & Poole	\$551,999.99
2.	Compass Construction, LLC	\$557,046.00
3.	CW&W Contractors, Inc.	\$685,850.00
4.	Pulley Construction, Inc.	\$540,500.00
5.	Yoro-Wic Construction Co.	\$542,500.00

By: Mr. Irwin

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

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 148 OF 2015

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE AT A

B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) LOCATION, 1835 OLD MINDEN ROAD SUITE A, BOSSIER CITY, LA, FOR THE RETAIL SALES AND ON PREMISE CONSUMPTION OF LOW AND HIGH CONTENT ALCOHOL AT A RESTAURANT. (Los Protrillos Taqueria)

WHEREAS, Los Protrillos Taqueria has applied to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for Conditional Use Approval at a B-3 (General Business) location, 1835 Old Minden Road Suite A, Bossier City, LA, for the retail sales and on premise consumption of low and high content alcohol at a restaurant, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing for the application was held on November 9, 2015, 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.

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

SECTION 1. That the Conditional Use for the retail sales and on premise consumption of low and high content alcohol at a restaurant located at 1835 Old Minden Road Suite A, Bossier City, LA 71111 is hereby approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Scott Irwin and seconded by Mr. Don Williams to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly and adopted on the 1st, day of December, 2015, 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk
C-74-15

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

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 or Disposal according to law.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 113 OF 2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF REPLACEMENTS FOR TWO POLICE OFFICERS WHO RESIGNED AND RETIRED FROM THE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2 of 2010 implemented a hiring freeze requiring Bossier City Council approval for the hiring of any personnel;

WHEREAS, vacancies now exist in the Police Department, and filling these positions will allow operations to continue;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the administration is authorized to hire two police officers to replace a resignation and a retirement from the Department.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Thomas Harvey, and second by Mr. Jeff Free, and adopted on the 1st, day of December, 2015, 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 114 OF 2015

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE OR PROMOTE ONE EQUIPMENT OPERATOR IN SEWER MAINTENANCE TO REPLACE A VACANT POSITION IN PUBLIC UTILITIES.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bossier City authorizes the hiring or promotion of one Equipment Operator in Sewer Maintenance to replace a vacant position in Public Utilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the

City of Bossier City, in regular session convened, does hereby authorize the hiring or promotion of one Equipment Operator in Sewer Maintenance to replace a vacant position in Public Utilities.

The above and foregoing Resolution, 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 1st, day of December, 2015, 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 115 OF 2015

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE ONE FOREMAN I TO REPLACE VACANT POSITION IN PARKS AND RECREATION.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bossier City authorizes the Hiring of one Foreman I to replace vacant position in Parks and Recreation.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bossier City, in regular session convened, does hereby authorize the hiring of one Foreman I to replace vacant position in Parks and Recreation.

The above and foregoing Resolution, read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Thomas Harvey, and adopted on the 1st, day of December, 2015, 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 116 OF 2015

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE ONE RECREATION MAINTENANCE WORKER I FOR WALKER PLACE TO FOR PARKS AND RECREATION.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bossier City authorizes the

hiring of one Recreation Maintenance Worker I for Walker Place for Parks and Recreation.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bossier City, in regular session convened, does hereby authorize the hiring of one Recreation Maintenance Worker I for Walker Place for Parks and Recreation.

The above and foregoing Resolution, read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Jeff Free, and adopted on the 1st, day of December, 2015, 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 117 OF 2015

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE ONE RECREATION MAINTENANCE WORKER II FOR WALKER PLACE TO FOR PARKS AND RECREATION.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bossier City authorizes the hiring of one Recreation Maintenance Worker II for Walker Place for Parks and Recreation.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bossier City, in regular session convened, does hereby authorize the hiring of one Recreation Maintenance Worker II for Walker Place for Parks and Recreation.

The above and foregoing Resolution, read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin, and adopted on the 1st, day of December, 2015, 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

Public Hearing for the City of Bossier to amend Fiscal Year 2014 CDBG Annual Action Plans.
Robert Brown, Community Development Director, update Council on plan.

No public comment

Hearing closed

RESOLUTION NO. 118 OF 2015

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AMEUREMENT TO THE FY 2014 ACTION PLANS FOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS.

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 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 conversation 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 possess legal authority to apply for this grant amendment:

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 to transfer funds in the following amounts:

Funding will be transferred from the following activities:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>HUD #</u>	<u>ID#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Financial Boot Camp	2014	341	0015	\$7,000.00

TOTAL: \$7,000.00

\$7,000.00 will be transferred to the FY 2015 **Housing Rehabilitation Activity**

<u>Name</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>HUD #</u>	<u>ID#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Housing Rehabilitation	2015	343	0002	\$7,000.00

Location: Community Wide

Total New Funding Amount: \$200,000.00 + \$7,000.00 = **\$207,000.00**

Outcome/Objective Number: DH-1

Performance Indicator: Number of households that have been assisted by Housing Rehabilitation

Regulatory Cites: 24CFR 570.208(a)(3); 24 CFR 570.202(a)(1)

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 having been submitted to a vote and declared adopted on the 1st, day of December, 2015, on motion of Mr. David Montgomery, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin 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

Don Williams, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Report of Change Order #1 for ART Corrosion Control Project an increase of \$4,560.28. Total cost of contract with Change Order \$297,785.28.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Report of Closeout Change Order #2 for South Inland Raw Water Pump Station Project an increase of \$13,385.50. Total cost of contract with increase \$6,288,675.00.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Report of Change Order to Pave Loreco Ditch an increase of \$4,200.00. Total cost of contract with increase \$89,235.00.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve Report of Change Order for George Dement/Plantation Drive Phase One an increase of \$288,916.00. Total of contract with increase \$4,766,377.95.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve Parade Permit Fee Waiver for 3rd Annual North Louisiana March for Life, January 23, 2016.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance correcting Ordinance No. 141 of 2015 by changing the Accountant III designation to Account II.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance assigning the operation of the Permits and Inspections Department to the Bossier City Fire Department effective with the passage of this Ordinance.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

Discussion held

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

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

Respectfully submitted:

**Phyllis McGraw
City Clerk**

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