

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2016

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, January 19, 2016, at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Scott Irwin

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, Assistant City Attorney Truly McDaniels and City Clerk Phyllis McGraw

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2016, Regular Council Meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to amend Agenda to include #7 under New Business: Introduce an Ordinance authorizing and providing for issuance of not to exceed \$_____ of Public Improvement Sales Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2016 (Taxable), of the City of Bossier City, State of Louisiana; prescribing the form fixing the details and providing for the rights of the owners thereof; providing for payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

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

Preston Friedley thanked Council for their help in building a sidewalk in Plantation Trace.

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

Old Business:

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 11 of 2016

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 319 WATSON STREET AND 905 AND 905 ½ OGILVIE STREET AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY NECESSARY FOR PROPERTY ACQUISITION IN THE OLD DOWNTOWN AREA OF BOSSIER CITY FOR THE BOSSIER RE-ENVISIONING PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City desires to facilitate the development of the area known as old downtown; and

WHEREAS, the funds have been appropriated for these acquisitions to include the purchase, closing costs, relocation and reestablishment expenses, real estate commissions and demolition expenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign and all documents necessary in conjunction with the acquisition of properties described as:

1. **319 Watson Street, whose Legal description is:
South 6.5' of Lot 103, North 28.5 of Lot 102, Evans Place Subdivision, Bossier City, LA**
2. **905 and 905 ½ Ogilvie Street, whose Legal description is:
Lot 11, Evans Place Subdivision, Bossier City, LA**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign all deeds, closing statements, offer letters, options or demolition requisitions and any other agreements necessary to acquire the referenced properties.

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. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 19th day of January, 2016, 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 Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE No. 12 OF 2016

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MANCHAC CONSULTING GROUP, TO PROVIDE OPERATIONAL SERVICES AT THE RED RIVER AND NORTH-EAST WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANTS

WHEREAS, MANCHAC CONSULTING has successfully managed the construction of the Red River Waste Water Treatment plant and has since has provided operational supervision of said plant **WHEREAS**, the attached contract defines the terms of the agreement as well as scope of work; and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** that the funds for this agreement will come from the Sewer Capital and Contingency fund. The amount not to exceed \$179,030.00(One-Hundred Seventy-Nine Thousand and Thirty Dollars and zero Cents), with the furtherance of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the City Council of Bossier City,

Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Mayor, Lorenz "Lo" Walker, is hereby authorized to sign any and all documents 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. Scott Irwin, and seconded Mr. David Montgomery, Jr., and adopted on the 19th, day of January, 2016, 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 Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No.13 Of 2016

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING FOUR COMPUTERS SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AND DONATING THE SAME FOR USE IN AN AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM TO TEACH THE SAFETY TO CHILDREN.

WHEREAS, Don Taylor, former assistant chief of the Bossier City Fire Department has requested surplus computers to conduct fire safety and other educational programs on behalf of Stoner Hill Baptist Church;

WHEREAS these computers are no longer used by the Bossier City Fire Department and are surplus to the needs of the City of Bossier City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the following assets

Dell Optiplex 9020

Service Tag: 73XTP22

Express code: 15475687706

City Tag: 28425

Dell Optiplex 9020

Service Tag: 73YQP22

Express Code: 15477227354

City Tag: 28417

Dell Optiplex 9020

Service Tag: BX84B42

Express Code: 25953627458

City Tag: 28478

Dell Optiplex 9020

Service Tag: DBR5Z12

Express Code: 29008926614

City Tag: 28387

Are declared surplus to the needs of the City of Bossier City and are hereby donated to Stoner Hill Baptist Church.

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. Scott Irwin, and adopted on the 19th, day of January, 2016, 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:

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to Introduce an Ordinance approving the acquisition of the property described as Lot 358 less the North 4 feet of Lot 359 of East Shreveport Subdivision and authorizing the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary to acquire property necessary for property acquisition in the Old Downtown Area of Bossier City for the Bossier Re-Envisioning Project.

Seconded by: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to Introduce an Ordinance appropriating \$335,000 from the EMS Capital and Contingency Fund for the purchase of a new CNG Ambulance.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

Chief Zagone explained where funds were coming from and project.

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to Introduce an Ordinance declaring the City's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Downtown City of Bossier City Re-Envisioning Project and donation to Fuller Center otherwise providing with respect thereto as required by LA R.S. 47:2236 for properties requiring six month notification.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to Introduce an Ordinance declaring the City's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Downtown Bossier City Re-Envisioning Project and donation to the Fuller Center otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Seconded by Mr. Free

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 8 OF 2016

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE OR PROMOTE ONE EQUIPMENT OPERATOR AND ONE UTILITY WORKER IN SEWER MAINTENANCE AND ONE UTILITY WORKER IN LIFT STATIONS TO REPLACE VACANT POSITIONS IN PUBLIC UTILITIES.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bossier City authorizes the hiring or promotion of one Equipment Operator and one Utility Worker in Sewer Maintenance and one Utility Worker in Lift Stations to replace vacant positions 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 and one Utility Worker in Sewer Maintenance and one Utility Worker in Lift Stations to replace vacant positions in Public Utilities.

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 19th, day of January, 2016, 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. 9 OF 2016

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE ONE RECREATION MAINTENANCE WORKER II, ONE RECREATION MAINTENANCE WORKER I AND ONE PART TIME FIELD MAINTENANCE WORKER I FOR PARKS AND RECREATION.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bossier City authorizes the hiring of one Recreation Maintenance Worker II, one Recreation Maintenance Worker I and one part time Field Maintenance Worker I 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, one Recreation Maintenance Worker I and one part time Field Maintenance Worker I 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 19th, day of January, 2016, 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.

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Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

There being no further business to come before this Council, meeting adjourned at 3:26 PM by Mr. Williams.

Respectfully submitted:

**Phyllis McGraw
City Clerk**

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