

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY  
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2022

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, March 1, 2022 at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Chris Smith

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

Roll Call as follows:

Present: Honorable, President Don Williams, Honorable Councilors David Montgomery, Jr., Chris Smith, Brian Hammons, Jeff Free and Vince Maggio

Absent: Honorable Councilor Jeffery Darby

Also Present: Mayor, Thomas Chandler, City Attorney, Charles Jacobs and City Clerk, Phyllis McGraw

City Clerk, Phyllis McGraw, read statement about decorum during meeting and public participation in the meeting.

Mayor brought up Michael Corbin, External Affairs Manager, Swepeco, LA for announcement on new electric meters and a new phone app with 2-way texting capabilities.

By: Mr. Smith

Motion to approve minutes from the February 15, 2022, Regular Council meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Hammons

Motion to approve Agenda

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**Unfinished Business –**

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 27 Of 2022**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR THOMAS H. CHANDLER TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MARK BRIGGS MINISTRIES, INC.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City Police Department has need of a Chaplain to provide services to the officers and members of said department; and

**WHEREAS**, the services to be provided by the Chaplain, Mark Briggs, (i.e. Mark Briggs Ministries, Inc.) are more particularly described in the attached Professional Services Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract fee of twelve-thousand dollars (\$12,000) payable to Mark Briggs Ministries, Inc. in equal installments of one-thousand dollars per month for the calendar year of 2022 has been previously included in the 2022 City of Bossier Police Department operating budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened that the Mayor of the City of Bossier City, the Honorable Thomas H. Chandler, is authorized to execute the “Professional Services Agreement” attached hereto as Exhibit A;

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Chris Smith, and seconded by Mr. Vince Maggio, and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby,

ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 28 Of 2022**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR THOMAS H. CHANDLER TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JUSTIN HAIGLER.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City Fire Department has need of a Chaplain to provide services to the officers and members of said department; and

**WHEREAS**, the services to be provided by the Pastor, Justin Haigler, are more particularly described in the attached Professional Services Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract fee of twelve-thousand dollars (\$12,000) payable to Justin Haigler in equal installments of one-thousand dollars per month for the calendar year of 2022 has been previously included in the 2022 City of Bossier Fire Department operating budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened that the Mayor of the City of Bossier City, the Honorable Thomas H. Chandler, is authorized to execute the “Professional Services Agreement” attached hereto as Exhibit A;

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. Chris Smith, and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby,

ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

**ORDINANCE NO. 29 OF 2022**

**AN ORDINANCE ALLOCATING \$200,000 TO COME FROM THE WATER CAPITAL AND CONTINGENCY FUND TO UPDATE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT WATER MODEL AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH OWEN AND WHITE, INC. TO PERFORM THIS WORK.**

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**WHEREAS;** the Public Utilities Department water model has not been updated since 2011; and

**WHEREAS;** the Public Utilities Department is seeing a significant increase in requests for service due to increased commercial and residential development; and

**WHEREAS;** the Property Insurance of Association of Louisiana (PIAL) requires annual hydrant flow testing and accurate water modeling; and

**WHEREAS;** using an accurately calibrated model to observed field conditions, flow testing efforts can be reduced allowing for more efficient and better use of personnel resources; and

**WHEREAS;** field testing, verification, and calibration of the model will be used to ensure model accuracy and provide valuable distribution system optimization information; and

**WHEREAS;** the model will be updated with current demands based on relevant and accurate customer water usage levels; and

**WHEREAS;** future demands will be updated and evaluated for planning purposes; and

**WHEREAS;** distribution system data will be maintained and updated based on system expansion; and

**WHEREAS;** the water model will be used to manage the growth of Bossier’s water distribution system using data-based solutions; and

**WHEREAS;** the water model will allow the Public Utilities Department to develop efficient and conscientious short and long term water supply infrastructures needs for water supply to the Caddo Bossier Port; and

**WHEREAS;** \$200,000 from the Water Capital and Contingency fund is needed to cover the costs associated with these expenditures; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** in regular session convened that the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, authorizes the Mayor to appropriate \$200,000.00 to come from the Water Capital and Contingency fund to be used for water modeling efforts.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that the Mayor is authorized to sign any and all documents in connection with the furtherance of this Ordinance including a Contract with Owen and White, Inc. to perform these services.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that the 2022 Water Capital and Contingency Budget is hereby amended to increase expenditures for the water model update and decrease the Water Capital and Contingency Budget by \$200,000. The above and foregoing Report was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Brian Hammons, and seconded by Mr. Chris Smith, and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 30 Of 2022**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) FROM THE EMS CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF THIRTY-FIVE GLOCK MODEL 17 FIREARMS WITH OPTICS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AS NEEDED BY THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

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**WHEREAS,** the Special Operations Services of the City of Bossier City Police Department is in need of certain specialized equipment in order to promptly and safely complete certain tasks and missions as called upon; and

**WHEREAS,** said Special Operations Services has City of Bossier City Fire Department personnel assigned to said team in order to provide as needed emergency medical care to team members, bystanders and criminal suspects as may be needed; and

**WHEREAS**, said City of Bossier City Fire Department personnel (EMS personnel) must be properly equipped in order to ensure the safety of said personnel during the course of any specific task or mission;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened that the Bossier City Fire Department is hereby given authority to expend the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) from the EMS Capital Contingency Fund for the purchase of thirty-five Glock Model 17 firearms (semi-automatic pistols) complete with red dot sighting devices and other equipment as needed to ensure mission readiness of the Special Operation Services of the City of Bossier City Police Department and all assigned and accompanying EMS personnel of the City of Bossier City Fire Department;

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. Vince Maggio, and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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**Don Williams, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

**ORDINANCE NO. 31 OF 2022**

**ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 92 OF 2020 TO COVER CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR THE HIGHWAY 71 STREET LIGHTING PROJECT PHASE II PROJECT FOR A TOTAL OF \$581,782 TO COME FROM THE PARKWAY CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND.**

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**WHEREAS;** Ordinance 92 of 2020 approved \$436,782 as the required match for the State of Louisiana's Facility Planning and Control Capital Outlay Funding for the Highway 71 Street Lighting Project Phase II; and

**WHEREAS;** the State of Louisiana's Facility Planning and Control Capital Outlay Funding contribution is \$644,625.00; and

**WHEREAS;** the original designers Opinion of Probable Cost dated October 2020 was for a total of \$1,062,612.98; and

**WHEREAS;** the designers final Opinion of Probable Cost is for a total of \$1,202,705.90; and

**WHEREAS;** an additional \$145,000 from the Parkway Capital Projects Fund is needed to cover the increase in project costs to allow the project to be advertised for bids.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, in regular session convened that the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, that \$145,000 is hereby appropriated from the Parkway Capital Projects Fund to be used for construction costs.

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

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the 2022 Parkway Capital Projects Fund Budget is hereby amended to increase expenditures for the State of Louisiana's Facility Planning and Control Capital Outlay Funding for the Highway 71 Street Lighting Project Phase II by \$145,000 and decrease Fund Balance by \$145,000.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Chris Smith and seconded by Mr. Vince Maggio and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby,

ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

**ORDINANCE NO. 32 OF 2022**

**ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 116 OF 2021 TO COVER CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LEFT TURN LANES LOCATED AT LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 3 AND INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 220 FOR A TOTAL OF \$573,000 TO COME FROM THE RIVERBOAT GAMING TRUST FUND.**

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**WHEREAS;** Ordinance 116 of 2021 approved \$450,000 to come from the Riverboat Gaming Trust Fund to be used for 50% contribution to the project for construction costs and a future traffic study; and

**WHEREAS;** the City of Bossier City agreed to fund up to fifty percent (50%) based upon the designers estimate of \$650,000; and

**WHEREAS;** the bids for the project came in over the designers estimate; and

**WHEREAS;** the Bossier Parish Police Jury is requesting additional funding to cover the additional construction costs as well as a fifty percent (50%) of the construction

administration and construction engineering and inspection costs for a total contribution of \$573,000; and

**WHEREAS;** an additional \$123,000 from the Riverboat Gaming Trust Fund is needed to cover these project costs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,** in regular session convened that the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, that \$123,000 is hereby appropriated from the Riverboat Gaming Trust Fund to be used for a 50% contribution to the project for construction costs and a future traffic study.

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

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that the 2022 Riverboat Gaming Trust Fund Budget is hereby amended to increase expenditures for the Left Turn Lanes located at Louisiana Highway 3 and Interstate Highway 220 by \$123,000 and decrease Fund Balance by \$123,000.

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. Vince Maggio and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

**New Business –**

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

**ORDINANCE NO. 33 OF 2022**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 133 OF 2018, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FROM R-A (RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE) TO B-2 (LIMITED BUSINESS), ON A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND BEING 1.079 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOT 3 OF MICIOTTO PARK UNIT NO. 2, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA.**

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 R-A (Residential Agriculture) to B-2 (Limited Business), for the following:

1.079 acres, more or less, Lot 3 of Miciotto Park Unit No. 2, Bossier City, Louisiana more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING AT THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 3 BEING ON THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY SWAN LAKE ROAD, RUN THENCE SOUTH 86° 24'44" WEST A DISTANCE OF 182.07 FEET, THENCE RUN NORTH 18 12'04" WEST A DISTANCE OF 209.01 FEET, THENCE RUN ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT AN ARC DISTANCE OF 66.61 FEET (SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 150.00 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING NORTH 49° 22'53" EAST A DISTANCE OF 66.06 FEET), THENCE RUN ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT AN ARC DISTANCE OF 91.99 FEET (SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 150.00 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING NORTH 54° 13'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 90.56 FEET), THENCE RUN NORTH 71° 47'56" EAST A DISTANCE OF 29.60 FEET TO THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY OF SWAN LAKE ROAD, THENCE RUN ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT OF WAY OF SWAN LAKE ROAD, THENCE RUN ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT OF WAY THE FOLLOWING TWO CALL: SOUTH 18°12'04" EAST A DISTANCE OF 204.94 FEET, ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT AN ARC DISTANCE OF 102.52 FEET (SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 6430.00 FEET AND CHORD BEARING SOUTH 17° 44'40" EAST A DISTANCE OF 102.52 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Motion was made by Mr. Jeff Free and seconded by Mr. Chris Smith

to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 1st day of March, 2022.

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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DON WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT

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PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

C-53-21

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance approving an amendment to the Unified Development Code, Subdivision and Land Development Design, Drainage Easements, Article 11.4.6.C.2

Seconded by Mr. Smith

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance authorizing adjustment of the annual salary of the Bossier City Marshall and amending the General Fund Budget.

Seconded by Mr. Maggio



Angela Williamson, Finance Director, updated Council on need for this Ordinance  
No further comment  
Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance authorizing the release of the full sum of One Million Six Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$1,645,937) from the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant Supplemental Award.

Seconded by Mr. Maggio

Discussion on item by Council and Finance Director Angela Williamson

No further comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Free

Motion to introduce an Ordinance authorizing the sale of 4602, 4604, 4606 and 4608 Shed Road to Sasquatch Properties LLC to repurpose for Commercial Use for the Appraised Value Pursuant to Louisiana R.S. 33:4712.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to approve Report of Change Order 2, for the South Bossier Redevelopment Project, with an additional 5 days and an increase of \$8,119.10 for a total contract price of \$2,774,119.10.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

Discussion on item by Council and Mike McSwain about irrigation lines and time needed to finish

No further discussion

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Free

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to approve Report of Change Order 2, for the Eastbank Fire Station Project with an increase of \$17,974.56 for a total contract price of \$2,876,632.56.

Seconded by Mr. Maggio

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to approve Report of Change Order 4 for the Louisiana Technology Research Institute (LTRI) with an additional Fifty- Four (54) days and an increase of \$385,632.65 for a total contract price of \$20,069,865.55.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion in introduce an Ordinance amending the Bossier City, Louisiana Code of Ordinances Section 78-7 - Classified and Unclassified Services generally to include the position of Animal Control Officer/Kennel Trainer in the Classification Plan Assignment of Job Classes to Grade Levels.

Seconded by Mr. Maggio

Discussion on item with Council and Wade Rich, Public Works Director

No further comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**Resolution No. 18 Of 2022**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY ATTORNEY, E. CHARLES JACOBS  
AUTHORITY TO RETAIN DAVID VOLENTINE TO PROVIDE A CERTIFIED  
APPRAISAL FOR CITY OWNED PROPERTY.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City is the owner of a twenty (20) acres (approximate) tract located in Section 30 T18N R13W that was formerly used as a landfill; and

**WHEREAS**, said property tract is not currently in use or commerce; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has received a proposal for the purchase of a portion of said tract and lease of the remainder of said tract; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is in need of an appraisal of said entire tract in order to perform its due diligence in consideration of said proposal;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that City Attorney, E. Charles Jacobs is hereby given authority to retain David Volentine to provide a certified appraisal as to the fair market value of said entire tract.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Brian Hammons and seconded by Mr. Chris Smith and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio  
NAYS: none  
ABSENT: Mr. Darby  
ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

Agenda Item called: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the hiring or promotion of a Personnel Specialist II due to a retirement and backfilling any position this may create for the Human Resources Department.

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to continue item until the March 29, 2022, meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION 19 OF 2022**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF AN ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT IN THE LIFT STATION DIVISION FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**

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**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 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 Assistant Superintendent is vacant due to resignation; 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. Vince Maggio, and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION 20 Of 2022**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENGAGEMENT OF AN EMPLOYMENT SERVICE FOR THE CONTRACTING OF 4 TEMPORARY CONTRACT WORKERS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO BE USED IN THE ANIMAL CONTROL 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 Bossier City Animal Control Division has had a lack of quantity of applications as well as qualified applications; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained the administration is hereby authorized to fill 4 temporary contract workers in the Public Works Animal Control Division due to lack of applicants.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Brian Hammons and seconded by Mr. Chris Smith and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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**Don Williams, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION 21 Of 2022**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF ONE (1) 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 (1) Police Officers due to 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. Jeff Free, and seconded by Mr. Vince Maggio and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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**Don Williams, President**

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**Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk**

By: Mr. Free

Motion to approve Parade Permit Fee Waivers for the following: Waller's Mardi Gras Parade, March 1, 2022 and Sun City Elementary Mardi Gras Parade, March 1, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION 22 OF 2022**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A UTILITY WORKER IN THE LIFT STATION DIVISION FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**

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**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 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 utility worker 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. Chris Smith and seconded by Mr. Vince Maggio, and adopted on the 1st, day of March, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Smith, Mr. Hammons, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Maggio

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

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Don Williams, President

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Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

Mayor Chandler noted some birthdays, a work anniversary, a few local events and also updated that the City has now purchased 3 new Police K-9's and they are in training.

Mr. Williams asked City Attorney, Charles Jacobs, about Ethics Opinion. Mr. Jacobs reported it had been sent and anticipate it to be placed on their agenda in April.

There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting adjourned at 3:33 PM by Mr. Williams

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Phyllis McGraw**

**City Clerk**

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