

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 6, 2021

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, April 6, 2021 at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Jeffery Darby

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Thomas Harvey

Roll Call as follows:

Present: Honorable, President David Montgomery, Jr., Honorable Councilors Timothy Larkin, Scott Irwin, Jeffery Darby, 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 amend the Agenda item approve the minutes from April 6, 2021 to March 16, 2021.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to approve Minutes of the March 16, 2021, Regular Meeting and dispense with the reading

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to amend the agenda to delete New Business Items #12 - #14.

Seconded by: Mr. Darby

Discussion about keeping it on Agenda and discuss items and let the Council vote on whether or not to introduce.

Mr. Darby called for the question. With no further comment.

Motion carries with the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Darby, Mr. Williams, Mr. Free and Mr. Harvey

Nays: Mr. Montgomery, Jr., Mr. Larkin and Mr. Irwin

By: Mr. Larkin

Motion to approve Agenda as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Bids –

Agenda Item called – Witness opening of sealed bids for Bid #20-1782 – 2504 Northside Drive, Demolition of dilapidated structure.

No bids received so Item will be rebid

Unfinished Business –

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 28 Of 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FIFTEEN THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$15,000.00) FROM THE 2021 HOTEL/MOTEL TAXES FUND AND PAYABLE TO SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER SPORTS COMMISSION TO HELP SPONSOR THE PORT CITIES FEST WEEKEND.

WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission has requested funding to assist with The Port Cities Fest Weekend; and

WHEREAS, Covid-19 restrictions have had an impact on the entire event;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that fifteen thousand dollars and no/100 (\$15,000.00) is hereby appropriated from the 2021 HOTEL/MOTEL Taxes Fund and made payable to Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission to help sponsor The Port Cities Fest Weekend.

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. Jeff Free, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 29 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF THE ACCOUNTING DIVISION AND THE HIRING OF AN ACCOUNTANT I, RESULTING IN A NET NEUTRAL CHANGE TO THE OPERATING BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Accounting Division is reclassifying positions; and

WHEREAS, this reclassification provides for an opportunity to increase the salaries of other positions; and

WHEREAS, the increasing work volume in the Accounting Division has created the need for an additional employee; and

WHEREAS, the salary adjustments and hiring of an employee will have a net neutral impact to the operating budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Accounting Division is hereby authorized to reclassify positions, and to utilize the remaining unused budgeted salary to increase the salaries of other positions and hire an Accountant I, resulting in a net neutral change to the operating budget.

The above and foregoing Ordinance, read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Scott Irwin and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, by the following vote:

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

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

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

David Montgomery, Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 30 Of 2021

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO COVER CONSTRUCTION COST FOR THE AIRLINE WATER TANK REHABILITATION AND PAINTING PROJECT FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,885,000.00 TO COME FROM THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND

WHEREAS the final opinion of construction costs for the rehabilitation of the Airline water tank is \$1,855,000.00. (see attachment –*Bossier City – Airline Drive Elevated Tank Rehab Construction Estimate* for estimated detailed breakdown of the costs); and

WHEREAS, \$1,855,000.00 may be appropriated from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Bossier City Council does hereby appropriate \$1,855,000.00 to come from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund to cover the construction costs for rehabilitation and painting of the Airline water tank in the City of Bossier.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Timothy Larkin, and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 31 of 2021

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 133 OF 2019 INCREASING THE APPROPRIATED AMOUNT BY \$105,300.00 FROM THE WATER CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUND TO EXTEND THE NANOFILTRATION PILOT STUDY BY SIX MONTHS

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City authorized Ordinance 133 of 2019 to conduct a pilot study to determine if nanofiltration could eliminate enough organics from Bossier City water to use free chlorine in lieu of chloramines. The City is recommending extending the study by six months. The extension of the study will require an increase of \$105,300.00 to come from the Water Capital Contingency Fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City will extend the Nanofiltration Pilot Study by 6 months starting in April and ending in September; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana in regular session convened, does hereby amend Ordinance 133 of 2019 and appropriate an additional \$105,300.00 from the Water Capital and Contingency Funds; and

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 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 32 Of 2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FINES, FEES, AND COST FOR SEVERAL CRIMINAL CHARGES IN CHAPTER 38 OF THE BOSSIER CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's Office would like to amend the fine, fees, and cost amounts for several criminal charges in Chapter 38 of the Bossier City Code of Ordinances to mirror the Louisiana State Statute's fine, fees and cost; and

WHEREAS, the following fines in Chapter 38 of the Bossier City Code of Ordinances shall be amended to read:

Sec. 38-102. - Simple battery:

Add:

(b) Whoever commits the crime of simple battery shall be fined not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both.

Sec. 38-104. - Simple assault:

Change:

(b) Whoever commits the crime of simple assault shall be fined not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both.

Sec. 38-138 - Theft:

Change:

(b) Whoever commits the crime of theft when the misappropriation or taking amounts to a value of less than \$300.00 shall be imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or may be fined not more than \$1,000.00, or both.

Sec. 38-171. - Prostitution.

Add:

(3) Whoever commits the crime of prostitution shall be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both.

Sec. 38-277. - Illegal carrying of weapons.

Add:

(c) Whoever commits the crime of illegal carrying of weapons shall be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both.

Sec. 38-286. - Resisting an officer.

Add:

(c) Whoever commits the crime of resisting an officer shall be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Bossier City Council does hereby amend the above referenced fines, fees, and cost of the criminal code of ordinances in Chapter 38 of the Bossier City Code of Ordinances.

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. Don Williams, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 33 Of 2021

AN ORDINANCE TO TEMPORARILY REDUCE THE MANAGEMENT FEES PAID TO ASM GLOBAL TO MANAGE THE BROOKSHIRE GROCERY ARENA FROM APRIL 2021 THROUGH JUNE 2021 AND TO ENTER INTO A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AND ASM GLOBAL

WHEREAS, our contract with ASM Global will expire March 31, 2021, therefore we will be entering into a five year contract; and

WHEREAS, as a good faith effort on both The City of Bossier City and ASM Global, they will agree to reduce the management fees by half, through the end of June 2021; and

WHEREAS, ASM Global would like to include waived fees in the same manner as the outstanding capital contribution, which means the waived fees would be added to the capital contribution amount and amortized on a non-cash basis over the remaining five (5) years of the agreement. There would be no repayment of the capital contribution (inclusive of the waived fees), unless the Agreement is terminated for any reason prior to conclusion of the five (5) years. The amount of the capital reimbursement would be pro-rated on the basis of the unamortized balance for the remainder of the Agreement term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz Walker is hereby authorized to execute the attached Contract between the City of Bossier City and ASM Global;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, does hereby approve the temporary reduction of management fees paid to ASM Global to manage Brookshire Grocery Arena from April 2021 through June 2021 and to enter into a five year contract between the City of Bossier City and ASM Global.

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 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

New Business -

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 34 Of 2021

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THAT AN EMERGENCY DID EXIST IN THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY, WHICH AFFECTED, PROPERTY, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY DUE TO THE REQUIREMENT TO PREVENT AND REPAIR OR REPLACE INFRASTRUCTURE DUE TO EVENT NUMBER 4590 - LOUISIANA SEVERE WINTER STORM AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$1,293,922.23 TO COME FROM THE DISASTER RESERVE FUND

WHEREAS, Event Number 4590 – Louisiana Severe Winter Storm occurred from February 11 – Feb 19, 2021 the City incurred significant expenses to protect and safe guard its infrastructure and the citizens of the City of Bossier City; and

WHEREAS, the City request the \$1,293,922.23 to be appropriated from the Disaster Reserve Fund for reimbursement to any effected 2021 Department Operating Funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby authorizes Mayor Lorenz Walker and the City Administration to seek any reimbursement from FEMA that may be available for this declared event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the Bossier City Council does hereby declare that an emergency exists and appropriates \$1,293,922.23 to come from the Disaster Reserve Fund for this declared emergency.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeff Free, seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 35 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 133 OF 2018, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FROM B-1 (BUSINESS OFFICE) TO R-LD (RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY) ON A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 1106 VIOLET AVENUE, 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 B-1 (Business Office) to R-LD (Residential Low Density), for the following:

Lot 84, Southern Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, a subdivision located in Bossier City, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, as per plat recorded in Book 275, Pages 446-447 of the conveyance records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana; AND a triangular tract of land situated in Lot 83, Southern Gardens Subdivision Unit No. 2, a subdivision in the City of Bossier City, Bossier Parish, Louisiana as per plat recorded in Book 275 page 446-447 of the records of Bossier Parish Louisiana, said triangular tract being in the Southwest corner of said Lot 83 and measuring 12 feet on the Westerly line and 12 feet along the rear (Southerly) lot line; AND Parcel "B" Southern Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 4, a subdivision in Bossier City, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, as per plat recorded in Book 339 pages 40-41 of the records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

Motion was made by Mr. Scott Irwin and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin

to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 6th day of April, 2021.

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

NAYS: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

DAVID MONTGOMERY, PRESIDENT

PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

C-80-20

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 36 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 133 OF 2018, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FROM B-1 (BUSINESS OFFICE) TO B-2 (LIMITED BUSINESS) ON A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 1603 AIRLINE DRIVE, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA FOR A MASSAGE THERAPY BUSINESS.

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 B-1 (Business Office) to B-2 (Limited Business), for the following:

Coleman Park Subdivision, Unit 6, Lot 1 and municipally known as 1603 Airline Drive, Bossier City, Louisiana

Motion was made by Mr. Timothy Larkin and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin

to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 6th day of April, 2021.

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

NAYS: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

DAVID MONTGOMERY, PRESIDENT

PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

C-63-20

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 37 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 133 OF 2018, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FROM R-A (RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE) TO B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) ON A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 4860 AIRLINE DRIVE BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA FOR A PROPOSED BROOKSHIRES GROCERY STORE.

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-3 (General Business), for the following:

7.805 acres, more or less, being a tract of land lying east of and adjacent to Airline Drive, and lying south of and adjacent to an existing 1.839 acre tract as recorded in Instrument No. 1067231 Conveyance Records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana being located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a found 2" iron pipe at the Southeast corner of Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, Thence North 89°06'43" West a distance of 2,648.64 feet along the South line of said Section 33, to the Easterly Right of Way Line of Airline Drive; Thence North 00°17'57" East a distance of 983.60 feet along said Easterly Right of Way Line to a Found "X" in concrete being the Southwest corner of that existing 1.839 acre tract as recorded in Instrument No. 1067231, Conveyance Records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana also being the Point of Beginning of the tract herein described:

Thence South 89°47'40" East a distance of 240.02 feet along the South line of said 1.839 acres tract to a found ½ iron rod;

Thence South 89°42'03" East a distance of 540.98 feet to a set ½" iron pipe;

Thence South 00°17'57" West a distance of 435.39 feet to a set ½ " iron pipe;

Thence North 89°42'03" West a distance of 781.00 feet to a set ½" iron pipe on the Easterly Right of Way Line of said Airline Drive;

Thence North 00°17'57" East a distance of 435.00 feet along said Easterly Right of way line to the Point of Beginning.

Motion was made by Mr. Thomas Harvey and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin

to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted this 6th day of April, 2021.

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

NAYS: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

DAVID MONTGOMERY, PRESIDENT

PHYLLIS MCGRAW, CITY CLERK

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to enlarge the limits and boundaries of the City of Bossier City by annexing approximately 258.299 acres located in the South Half of Section 10 and in the Southwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 18 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

Second by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Darby

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate funds to cover construction cost for the Bardot Lane and Montgomery Lane Drainage Rehabilitation Project Phases 1 & 2 for a total of \$550,000.00 to come from Fund 400 Sales Tax Capital Improvement Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to fund the Storm Water Pump Station for the Walter O. Bigby Carriageway Phase II at a cost of \$3,900,000.00 to come from Fund 415 Walter O. Bigby Carriageway Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to re-appropriate \$20,000.00 from Fund 497- 2017 Sales Tax Bond (Innovation Drive) for the preparation of a Traffic Study at LA 3105 (Airline Drive) at Greenacres Boulevard.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce a Supplemental Bond Ordinance authorizing the issuance and delivery of (One Hundred Thirty Million Dollars (130,000,000) of taxable Utilities Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021, of the City of Bossier City, State of Louisiana, in accordance with the terms of the General Bond Ordinance adopted on July 6, 2010; prescribing the form and certain terms and conditions of said bonds; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance levying Ad Valorem Taxes on all taxable property within the limits of the City of Bossier City, Louisiana for the year 2021, and providing the manner of assessment and collection thereof.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to introduce Ordinance appropriating an additional 1 Million Dollars to add to the 2.1 Million appropriated for a fire station in the Eastbank District by Ordinance No. 40 of 2020.

Seconded by Mr. Free

Tarmara Crane, 202 Ray Ave, Bossier City, LA asked what would happen with the Fire Station on the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway. Fire Chief Zagone spoke on turning the ART Parkway into offices for the staff Physicians and the headquarters for the Emergency Medical Services.

No further comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 22 OF 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER TO BE REPLACED AND ONE TO BE PROMOTED DUE TO VACANCY FROM RETIREMENT:

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

WHEREAS, one vacancy will exist in the Communications Division of the Fire Department due to a Retirement and filling this position 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 replace one Communications position and Promote one Communications position;

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jeff Free, and second by Mr. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 23 Of 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OR PROMOTION OF A RECREATION MAINTENANCE WORKER II AND BACKFILLING ANY POSITION THIS MAY CREATE FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION 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 Recreation Maintenance Worker II is vacant due to promotion, 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. Scott Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 24 OF 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF FOUR LINE EMPLOYEES DUE TO VACANCIES FROM RETIREMENT(S) AND RESIGNATION(S):

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

WHEREAS, four vacancies exist in the Fire Department due to Retirement(s) and Resignation(s) 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 replace four Firefighter positions.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Don Williams, and second by Mr. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 25 Of 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A PART TIME GYM MONITOR FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION 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 part time gym monitor is vacant due to promotion, 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. Scott Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 26 Of 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A RECREATION MAINTENANCE WORKER I FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION 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 Recreation Maintenance Worker I is vacant due to promotion, 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. Don Williams, and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 27 Of 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF ONE RECORDS CLERK II TO A RECORDS CLERK III, 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 promotion of one Records Clerk from status of II to III will allow all operations to continue, 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 the promotion 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. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, Jr., President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

RESOLUTION 28 Of 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF TWO (2) POLICE OFFICERS 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 two (2) Police Officers due to the termination of two Police Officers.

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. Timothy Larkin, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2021, 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

David Montgomery, President

Phyllis McGraw, City Clerk

Mr. Irwin reminded everyone about Operation Clean Sweep on April 17, 2021 in coordination with Keep Bossier Beautiful.

There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting adjourned at 3:47 PM by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Respectfully submitted:

Phyllis McGraw

City Clerk

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