

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY  
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 7, 2019

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, May 7, 2019, at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Scott Irwin

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Thomas Harvey

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. Williams

Motion to approve minutes April 16, 2019, Regular Meeting and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to add to the Agenda – New Business #19 - Introduce an Ordinance terminating Government Consultants, Inc. as a Consultant and Financial Advisor for the City of Bossier City.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to add to the Agenda – New Business #20 -Introduce an Ordinance terminating and canceling any agreement or authorization for Joseph "Jay" Delafield to act as Bond Counsel or in any other manner on behalf of the City of Bossier City.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to add to the Agenda – New Business #21 – Adopt a Resolution repealing Resolution No. 72 of 2018 and terminating and canceling the employment of JWH Project Consulting, L.L.C. as a Project Consultant for the City of Bossier City.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to add to the Agenda – New Business #22 - Introduce an Ordinance employing as Bond Counsel the firm Foley & Judell, L.L.P. for any and all Bond issues or financing projects of the City of Bossier City.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve the Agenda as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**Ceremonial Matters/Recognition of Guests-**

None

**Committee Reports-**

None

**Unfinished Business –**

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 48 Of 2019**

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE SIX MILLION DOLLARS TO COME FROM THE 2018 LCDA BOND FUND TO BE USED TO DESIGN, DEVELOP AND CONSTRUCT IMPROVEMENTS AT CITY RECREATION AREAS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Administration and City Council desires to provide ball field improvements to athletic field lighting, additional parking for Swan Lake and Walbrook, new concession, restrooms at Meadowview, football fields, soccer field and ADA equipment to Field of Dreams.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that an ordinance declaring funding for recreation park improvements/enhancements for 2019 in the amount of \$6,000,000.00.

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. David Montgomery, Jr., and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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. 49 OF 2019**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL TO EXECUTE THE  
ATTACHED CONTRACT FOR ACQUISITION AND TITLE WORK FOR ANY  
AND ALL PROJECTS REQUIRING RIGHT OF WAY OR EASEMENTS FOR  
CONSTRUCTION**

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**WHEREAS**, the Bossier City Council desires to expedite the construction of all public works and utility projects; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to accelerate the process the Bossier City Council desires to hire Smith R/W Specialist, L.L.C.;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** that the City Council of Bossier City, in regular session convened, that the City Council is authorized to execute the attached agreement for acquisition and title work.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was 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 7th day of May, 2019, 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. 50 Of 2019**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR LORENZ WALKER TO ENTER INTO THE ATTACHED LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE PARISH OF BOSSIER AND TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS IN FURTHERANCE THEREOF.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City and the Parish of Bossier mutually benefit from the development of infrastructure which enhances existing businesses and encourages the development of new business entities in both the City of Bossier City and the Parish of Bossier; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bossier City and the Parish of Bossier have engaged in joint endeavors regarding the development of industrial parks, juvenile detention facilities, jail

operations, research parks, street, highway or road projects, water and sewer system improvement projects, zoning master plans and a uniform development code, which benefit the citizens of Bossier Parish and the City of Bossier; and

**WHEREAS**, a local services agreement between the City of Bossier City and the Parish of Bossier will facilitate intergovernmental functions to provide greater economy and efficiency in the operation of local services; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier will benefit by the development created by improving traffic and utilities across the parish including the City by improving streets, roads and utilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, that Mayor Lorenz Walker is hereby authorized to execute the local services agreement with Bossier Parish, and to execute any documents in furtherance thereof.

**BE IT FUTHER ORDAINED** that the City of Bossier City and Parish of Bossier, in entering into this agreement, authorize their respective attorneys to take whatever action necessary in furtherance of the joint projects set forth in the agreement attached hereto.

If any provision or item of this Agreement or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Agreement are hereby declared severable.

**BE IT FUTHERE ORDAINED** that the City of Bossier City authorizes the City Attorney to take whatever action necessary in furtherance of the joint project set forth in the agreement attached hereto.

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 7th day of May, 2019, 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. 51 Of 2019**

**ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2019 WATER TREATMENT OPERATING BUDGET/LABORATORY TESTING FUND (600-6300-501-25-20) BY AN INCREASE OF \$80,000.00 TO COVER ANTICIPATED SAMPLING EXPENSES FOR 2019.**

**WHEREAS**, The City has significantly enhanced the investigative sampling efforts through-out the water distribution system. These initiatives were put into place after the 2019 budget was approved.

**WHEREAS**, An additional \$80,000.00 is required to cover the additional sampling expenses.

**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 2019 Water Treatment Operating Budget and authorize the transfer of \$80,000.00 from the Water & Sewer Capital Contingency Fund.

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 7th day of May, 2019, 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. 52 Of 2019**

**ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO FACILITATE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS IN PREPARATION FOR THE PROPERTY INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF LOUISIANA (PIAL) INSPECTION FOR A TOTAL OF \$165,000.00 TO COME FROM THE WATER CAPITAL AND CONTINGENCY FUND**

**WHEREAS**, PIAL notified the city one week before the inspection. Improvements were made to our water distribution system in preparation for this inspection. (See attachment *PIAL Water System Improvements Ordinance Recommendation – April 1, 2019*); and

**WHEREAS**, \$165,000.00 shall be appropriated from the Water Capital and Contingency 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 \$165,000.00 to come from the Water Capital and Contingency Fund to cover the water system improvements for the PIAL Inspection.

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 7th day of May, 2019, 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

**New Business –**

Witness opening of sealed bids for – Bid#P19-11– Centurylink Center Re-Roof

Corporate Roofing and Industrial Contracting, Inc.	\$839,420.00
Louisiana Roofing Contractors, LLC.	\$719,000.00
Malone E. Cornell Malone Corp.	\$1,123,200.00
Rycars Construction, LLC.	\$1,317,040.00
Terry’s Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc.	\$708,000.00

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to approve reading of the bids.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Witness opening of sealed bids for – Bid#P19-06– Innovation Drive Phase II

Don M. Barron Contractor, Inc.	\$13,650,900.35
JB James Construction, LLC.	\$14,782,071.00
Merrick Construction Company	\$12,306,553.50
Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Service, Inc.	\$10,205,969.40
Testament Construction Services, LLC.	\$10,935,352.41

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to approve reading of the bids.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 53 OF 2019

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 133 OF 2018, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CLOVERDALE FARMS SUBDIVISION, LOT 71, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA FROM B-2 (LIMITED BUSINESS) TO B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) FOR A USED CAR / AUTO SALES LOT.**

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-2 (Limited Business), to B-3, (General Business), for the following:

A tract of land being a portion of Lot Seventy-One (71), of Cloverdale Farms Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Bossier City, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Map Volume 30, Page 629 and Map Volume 141, Page 3 of the official records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, being more fully described as follows:

Beginning at a found concrete monument, being the Northwesterly corner of said Lot 71, said monument also being the point of intersection of the Easterly right-of-way line of Louisiana Highway No. 3 (formerly Louisiana Highway No. 10) and the Southerly right-of-way line of the L & A Railroad, said monument also being the point of beginning of tract herein described: Run thence Northeasterly along said railroad right-of-way line on a curve to the right (said curve having a radius of 1900 feet and a chord bearing North 41°12'23" East a distance of 174.66 feet) a distance of 174.72 feet; thence leaving said curve and right-of-way line run South 00°36'43" West a distance of 202.30 feet to a point on the Northerly right-of-way line of Shed Road; run thence along said right-of-way line North 89°31'20" West a distance of 85.54 feet to a point on the Easterly right-of-way of Louisiana Highway No.3 as recorded in Conveyance Volume 457, Page 732 of the records of Bossier Parish, Louisiana; run thence along said right-of-way line North 49°46'07" West a distance of 23.06 feet; continue thence along the Easterly right-of-way line of Louisiana Highway No.3 North 10°00'54" West a distance of 56.13 feet to the Point of Beginning of tract, containing 0.3474 acres or 15,134.9 square feet, more or less, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon, having a Municipal Number of 1500 Benton Road, Bossier City, Louisiana.

Motion was made by Mr. Jeffery Darby and seconded by Mr. Don Williams

to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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

C-13-19

The following ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 54 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE FOR THE SALE OF HIGH AND LOW CONTENT ALCOHOL (BEER AND WINE) FOR ON PREMISE CONSUMPTION AT 3325 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS; Kristen Henry, Boom Boom Grill, LLC, has applied to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for Conditional Use Approval for the retail sale of high and low content alcohol (beer and wine), for on premise consumption, at a restaurant located at 3325 Industrial Drive, Bossier City, LA, 71112; and

WHEREAS; a public hearing for the Conditional Use application was held on April 8, 2019; 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 retail sales of high and low content alcohol (beer and wine) for on premise consumption at 3325 Industrial Drive, Bossier City, LA 71112 is hereby approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Don Williams and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin

to adopt the above ordinance. Upon the following vote, the ordinance was duly adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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

C-21-19

**The following Ordinance offered and adopted:**

**Ordinance No. 55 Of 2019**

**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 REPAIR TWO COLLAPSED GRAVITY MAINS ON EAST TEXAS AT A COST OF \$235,000.00 TO COME FROM SEWER CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUNDS.**

**WHEREAS,** The emergency repairs to these two sewer gravity mains required extensive well pointing and bypass pumping and the City owned equipment and materials were used to help reduce costs; and



**WHEREAS**, \$235,000.00 shall be appropriated from the Sewer Capital Contingency 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 declare that an emergency exists and appropriates \$235,000.00 to come from the sewer capital contingency fund for repairs to the gravity mains at 3735 and 3801 East Texas Street.

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 7th day of May, 2019, 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

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate funds to cover construction cost for the Sewer Sub-Basin BC-15 Rehabilitation Project for a total of \$2,422,000.00 to come from the Sewer Contingency Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Darby

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate funds to cover any and all cost for the HR14-C-42 (Shed Road to Airline) Water Main Project for a total of \$7,500,000 to come from the 2019 LDH Loan.

Seconded by Mr. Harvey

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Williams

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate funds to cover repairs to valves in Water Distribution System at a cost of \$100,000.00 to come from Water Capital Contingency Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to appropriate funds to cover construction cost for the miscellaneous Sewer Lift Station (LS) Improvement Project (2018 Lift Stations) for a total of \$1,255,900.00 to come from the Sewer Contingency Fund.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 25 OF 2019**

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

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**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. Jeffery Darby, and second by Mr. Don Williams, and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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 Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION 26 OF 2019**

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

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**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 Utility Worker will be 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 the hiring to fill 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. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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 Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION 27 Of 2019**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF ONE 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 (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. Thomas Harvey, and seconded by Mr. Scott Irwin, and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to approve Report of Change Order an increase of \$13,250.00 for EastBank District Parking Lots. Contract Price with change order \$549,185.19.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Harvey

Motion to introduce an Ordinance to re-appropriate \$150,290.00 from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund, originally assigned in Ordinance No. 43 of 2018, to be used for concrete repair and other miscellaneous repairs to public infrastructure at the Louisiana Boardwalk.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 28 OF 2019**

**A RESOLUTION TO REVIEW THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOSSIER PARISH ITEP REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR THE APPLICATION OF CELLEXION, LLC (DBA SABRE INDUSTRIES BUILDING SYSTEMS BY CELLEXION)**

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**WHEREAS**, the State has adopted a new Industrial Tax Exemption Program that only allows a 30 day window for response or it's automatically approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, Bossier Parish Police Jury, City of Bossier City, Bossier Sheriff, and the Bossier Parish School Board have formed a committee to review these applications and make recommendations on approval; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the recommendation of the local ITEP review committee shall be presented at the council meeting and approved or denied.

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. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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 Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 29 OF 2019**

**A RESOLUTION TO REVIEW THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE  
BOSSIER PARISH ITEP REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR THE  
APPLICATION OF CENTRIC PIPE, LLC.**

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**WHEREAS**, the State has adopted a new Industrial Tax Exemption Program that only allows a 30 day window for response or it's automatically approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, Bossier Parish Police Jury, City of Bossier City, Bossier Sheriff, and the Bossier Parish School Board have formed a committee to review these applications and make recommendations on approval; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the recommendation of the local ITEP review committee shall be presented at the council meeting and approved or denied.

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 7th day of May, 2019, 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 Resolution offered and adopted:

**RESOLUTION 30 OF 2019**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT.**

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**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 Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator is vacant due to retirement; 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. Jeffery Darby, and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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 Resolution offered and adopted:

**Resolution No. 31 Of 2019**

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 22 OF EACH YEAR TO BE DESIGNATED AND KNOWN AS NATIONAL MARITIME DAY**

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**WHEREAS**, on May 22, 1819, the steamship *The Savannah* set sail from Savannah, Georgia on the first successful transoceanic voyage under steam propulsion, thus making a material contribution to the advancement of ocean transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 20, 1933, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled and approved that May 22 of each year shall be designated and known as National Maritime Day, and

**WHEREAS**, during WWII in what became the world's largest sealift operation, more than 250,000 members of the American Merchant Marine served their country, with more than 6,700 giving their lives, hundreds being detained as prisoners of war and more than 800 ships being sunk or damaged, and

**WHEREAS**, waterways have enabled much of the commerce that has expanded America's economy, sprouted cities near waterways and facilitated vast domestic and international commerce crucial to our economy today, and

**WHEREAS**, merchant mariners have served America with distinction throughout our history, but especially at critical moments of war and natural disaster, and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Merchant Marine and thousands of other workers in our Nation's maritime industry continue to make immeasurable contributions to our economic strength and our ongoing efforts to build a more peaceful world, and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Merchant Marine also shepherds the safe passage of American goods, move exports to customers around the world, support the flow of domestic commerce on our maritime highways, strengthen our Nation's economy, bolster job creation and, along with the transportation industry, employ Americans on ships and tugs, and in ports, like our Port of Shreveport Bossier, and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Caddo Bossier Parishes Port Commission to increase the awareness of the maritime industry within Caddo and Bossier Parishes and the State of Louisiana

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the CADDO BOSSIER PARISHES PORT COMMISSION joins the President of the United States of America in proclaiming, May 22, 2019, as National Maritime Day and calls upon the citizens of Caddo and Bossier Parishes to celebrate this observance.

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. Thomas Harvey, and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance terminating Government Consultants, Inc. as a Consultant and Financial Advisor for the City of Bossier City.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion to introduce an Ordinance terminating and canceling any agreement or authorization for Joseph "Jay" Delafield to act as Bond Counsel or in any other manner on behalf of the City of Bossier City.

Seconded by Mr. Williams

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

**The following Resolution offered and adopted:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 32 OF 2019**

**A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 72 OF 2018 AND TERMINATING AND CANCELING THE EMPLOYMENT OF JWH PROJECT CONSULTING, L. L. C. AS A PROJECT CONSULTANT FOR THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY.**

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**WHEREAS**, the services of a project consultant are no longer needed or necessary for the City of Bossier City; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, State of Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Resolution No. 72 of 2018 is hereby repealed and the employment of JWH Project Consulting, L. L. C. is hereby terminated and canceled.

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. Don Williams, and adopted on the 7th day of May, 2019, 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

By: Mr. Montgomery, Jr.

Motion introduce an Ordinance employing as Bond Counsel the firm Foley & Judell, L.L.P. for any and all Bond issues or financing projects of the City of Bossier City.

Seconded by Mr. Darby

No comment

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

Mr. Montgomery, Jr. and Mayor Walker called Fire Chief Brad Zagone and P3 Director, Ben Rauschenbach up to make the announcement that Bossier City has once again obtained its Class 1 Fire Department Status. The Council and Mayor thanked the Fire Department employees and Public Utilities employees for their hard work to get Bossier City back to a Class 1.

**There being no further business to come before this Council, meeting adjourned at 3:42 PM by Mr. Free**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Phyllis McGraw**

**City Clerk**

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