

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BOSSIER CITY
STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 6, 2010**

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, 2010 at 3:00 PM

Invocation was given by Council Member Scott Irwin

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

Roll Call as Follows:

Present: Honorable Don Williams, President, Honorable Councilors, Timothy Larkin, David Montgomery, Jr., Scott Irwin, David Jones, James Knight

Absent: Jeffery Darby

Present: Mayor Lorenz Walker, James Hall, City Attorney, Helen Thornton, City Clerk

By: Mr. Jones

Motion made to approve minutes of March 16, 2010 meeting and Special Meeting March 23, 2010 and dispense with the reading.

Seconded by Mr. Knight

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

By: Mr. Jones

Motion made to continue Fire Department Awards to the April 20th meeting and approve agenda.

Seconded by Mr. Irwin

Vote in favor of motion if unanimous.

Chief Lynn Austin presented commendation awards to the following officers of the Bossier Police Department:

Officer C.A. Estess, Detective B.S. Huckaby, Sergeant M.S. Szempruch for the capture of armed robbery suspect of Family Dollar Store on E. Texas Street, February 8, 2010

Officer J. T. Gaydos, Officer J.L. Rhodes, for the capture of armed robbery suspect of Citizens National Bank off Benton Road, March 23, 2010.

Kurt Foreman, President of Northwest La Economic Development Foundation made a presentation to the City Council. (hand-outs on file)

The following bids read by Steve Westbrook, Purchasing Agent:

A	Concrete Repairs City Wide for 2010	
1.	C W & W Contractors	\$1,019,500.00
2.	Forby Contracting, Inc.	\$1,937,000.00
3.	Ronald G. Carlson	\$1,143,500.00
4.	RVP Construction, Inc.	Non-Responsive
5.	William N. Carter	\$1,449,600.00
6.	Best Yet Builders	\$1,136,000.00
7.	Fessler & Bowman	\$1,310,332.50
8.	H & H Contracting	\$1,260,500.00

By: Mr. Jones

Motion made to approve reading of bids.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

B 2010 On-Demand Concrete Repairs

1.	C W & W Contractors	\$257,450.00
2.	Ronald G. Carlson	\$259,340.00
3.	RVP Construction Inc.	\$301,200.00
4.	Best Yet Builders	\$746,900.00

By: Mr. Jones

Motion made to approve reading of bids.

Seconded by Mr. Knight

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No. 35 Of 2010

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE SWAN LAKE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Swan Lake Improvement Project from I-20 to Shed Road never had funds set aside for construction; and

WHEREAS, appraisals are being done and offers need to be made to continue acquisition of right of way for the Swan Lake Improvement project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that SEVEN MILLION AND NO/100 (\$7,000,000.00) DOLLARS is hereby appropriated from the transportation improvement fund to purchase right of way for the Swan Lake Road Improvement Project.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jones, and seconded by Mr. Knight, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

Ordinance No.36 Of 2010

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 26-33 OF THE BOSSIER CITY CODE OR ORDINANCES TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF UNIFORMED SECURITY PERSONNEL.

WHEREAS, the definition of Uniformed security personnel currently refers to on-duty or off-duty city police officers; and

WHEREAS, certain security requirements are established by the Civic Center Management which exceed the number of available off-duty Bossier City Police Officers; and

WHEREAS, opening these positions up to other law enforcement officers will allow the Civic Center to meet security requirements established for all events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Section 26-33 of the Bossier City Code of Ordinances shall be amended to read: Uniformed security personnel means any law enforcement officer commissioned in the State of Louisiana. Law Enforcement officers are acquired and paid by user, but are responsive to civic center management's guidance and direction.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Jones, and adopted on the 6th, day of April, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 37 OF 2010

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE \$250,000 TO COME FROM THE SALES TAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO BE USED TO REPAIR THE SANITARY SEWER SERVICE MAINS OF THE KROGER GROCERY STORE LOCATED AT 801 BENTON ROAD, BOSSIER CITY, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, the sanitary sewer service of the Kroger Grocery Store is old, corroded and in constant need of maintenance or repair; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bossier City desires to replace those sanitary sewer lines which require constant maintenance or repair with new PVC sewer lines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Bossier City Council of the City of Bossier City, in regular session convened, does hereby appropriate \$250,000 to come from the Sales Tax Capital Improvement Fund to be used to repair the sanitary sewer mains of the Kroger Grocery Store located at 801 Benton Road, Bossier City, Louisiana.

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

The above and foregoing Ordinance, read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Knight, and adopted on the 6th day of April, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 38 of 2010

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY NECESSARY FOR THE WIDENING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS OF U. S. HIGHWAY 80 (EAST TEXAS STREET) IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City has contracted for construction plans for the widening and drainage improvements of U. S. Highway 80 (East Texas Street from Traffic Street to Old Benton Road); and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City has commissioned property appraisals of these effected properties and offers will be made in accordance with law to the affected property owners based on the fair market value of the appraisals and funds have been appropriated to acquire these effected properties; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign and all documents necessary to acquire the necessary right-of-way for the widening and drainage improvements of U. S. Highway 80 (East Texas Street from Traffic Street to Old Benton Road).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign all deeds, closing statements, offer letters, options or other agreements necessary to acquire the necessary right of way for the widening and drainage improvements.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Knight, and seconded by Mr. Jones, and adopted on the 6th day of April, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 39 of 2010

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY NECESSARY FOR THE WIDENING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS OF SWANLAKE ROAD FROM U. S. HIGHWAY 80 TO SHED ROAD.

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City has contracted for construction plans for the widening and drainage improvements of Swanlake Road from U. S. Highway 80 to Shed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City has commissioned property appraisals of these effected properties and offers will be made in accordance with law to the affected property owners based on the fair market value of the appraisals and funds have been appropriated to acquire these effected properties; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign and all documents necessary to acquire the necessary right-of-way for the widening and drainage improvements of Swanlake from U. S. Highway 80 to Shed Road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign all deeds, closing statements, offer letters, options or other agreements necessary to acquire the necessary right of way for the widening and drainage improvements.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Knight, and adopted on the 6th day of April, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

The following Resolution offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 40 OF 2010

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CAMP DRESSER AND McKEE FOR DESIGN AND TECHNICAL SERVICES FOR THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG) PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,111.00 FUNDS TO BE PROVIDED THROUGH AVAILABLE THE EECBG GRANT

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law 111-5, appropriates funding for the Department of Energy to issue and award formula-based grants to unit of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program will provide funds appropriated by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and the City of Bossier City has been awarded and allocated \$608,600.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City possesses legal authority to apply, receive and allocate the EECBG grant award; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City desires to enter into a contract with Camp Dresser and McKee for professional services to provide design and technical services and has agreed to provide such services in the amount of \$37,111.00 for the technical evaluation and installation design of new LED lighting fixtures for the Louisiana Boardwalk parking garage; and

WHEREAS, the available funds are provided by the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program, which the city has been approved for; and

WHEREAS, as required by Title V, Subtitle E, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants, Sections 541(3) (A) or 541(3)(B) of EISA 2007, Public Law 110-140, the City Council of Bossier City has duly authorized Mayor Lorenz J. Walker the authority to apply, receive and allocate funds for the EECBG program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City, in conjunction with the EECBG program, agrees to meet all grant requirements and to execute all proposed projects related thereto in a timely manner; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Bossier City, in regular session convened, hereby authorizes Mayor Lorenz Walker, Chief Executive Officer of Bossier City, to sign a contract with Camp Dresser & McKee for professional service in support of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program.

The above and foregoing Ordinance, read in full at open and legal session convened, was on passed on the motion of Mr. Irwin, seconded by Mr. Knight, and adopted on this the 6th day of April, 2010 by the Following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mr. Darby

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

The following Ordinance offered and adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 41 of 2010

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY NECESSARY FOR THE WIDENING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS OF SHED ROAD FROM BENTON ROAD TO AIRLINE DRIVE (STATE PROJECT NO. 742-08-002, F.A.P No. 0801516)

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City's Right of Way Service and Appraisal Plan has been approved by the State of Louisiana Department of Transportation for construction plans for the widening and drainage improvements of Shed Road from Benton to Airline Drive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bossier City is authorized to commission property appraisals, acquire and relocate effected properties and all transactions will be made in accordance with State of Louisiana Department of Transportation Real Estate Guidelines to the effected property owners based on the fair market value of the appraisals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bossier City, Louisiana in regular session convened, that Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign and all documents necessary to acquire the necessary right-of-way for the widening and drainage

improvements of Shed Road (State Project No. 72-08-0002, F. A. P No. 0801 516) from Benton Road to Airline Drive.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Lorenz J. Walker is hereby authorized to sign all deeds, closing statements, offer letters, options or other agreements necessary to acquire the necessary right of way for the widening and drainage improvements of Shed Road from Benton Road to Airline Drive.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was read in full at open and legal session convened, was on motion of Mr. Irwin, and seconded by Mr. Jones, and adopted on the 6th day of April, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

By: Mr. Irwin

Motion made to introduce Ordinance to appropriate funds not to exceed \$400,000 for the 2010 Annual Lift Station Rehab.

Seconded by Mr. Jones

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

By: Mr. Jones

Motion made to introduce Ordinance to appropriate funds not to exceed \$300,000 for the 2010 Annual Manhole Rehab.

Seconded by Mr. Knight

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Montgomery

Motion made to introduce Ordinance to enlarge the limits of Bossier City by annexing a 1.254 acre tract, located in Section 9, Township 18 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana (proposed credit union) Airline Dr/Greenacres Blvd.

Seconded by Mr. Larkin

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

By: Mr. Jones

Motion made to introduce Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary to acquire 1341 Anita Street for the FEMA hazard mitigation program.

Seconded by Mr. Knight

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous

RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF 2010

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING QUESTIONNAIRE FROM LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR AND CITY'S ANSWER THERETO.

IT IS RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire from the Legislative Auditor covering period, 1-1-2009 thru 12-31-2009, and City's answer thereto all of which are on file with City Clerk, are hereby adopted. A copy of this questionnaire and answers will be furnished to the City's certified public accountants, KPMG Peat Marwick.

The above and foregoing Resolution, was read in full at open and legal session convened, as on motion of Mr. Irwin and seconded by Mr. Jones and adopted on the 6th day of April, 2010 by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Larkin, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Williams, Mr. Jones, Mr. Knight

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Mr. Darby

ABSTAIN: none

Don Williams, President

Helen Thornton, City Clerk

By: Mr. Jones

Motion made to approve report of Change Order for Walbrook Baseball Field improvements, increase of \$8,568.00, total of contract \$691,165.00

Seconded by Mr. Knight

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

By: Mr. Knight

Motion made to approve parade permit for Sutton Children's 5K Run, June 12, 2010.

Seconded by Mr. Jones

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

Announcement of Tax Renewal, election to be held May 1, 2010

There being no further business to come before this meeting, meeting adjourned at 3:50 PM by Mr. Williams.

Respectfully submitted:

Helen Thornton

City Clerk

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