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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Monroe, Louisiana will meet in Legal and Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the Council Chamber, City Hall Building, Monroe, Louisiana, Tuesday, February 28 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m., for the following purpose:

1. To consider and act on all items listed on the attached agenda.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Council reserves the right to change, add to or delete, any item listed on the attached agenda.

All interested persons are urged to attend these meetings.

Carolus S. Riley, CMC/MMC
Council Clerk

Please be advised that the City Council will embrace public participation to the maximum extent while still adhering to the occupancy limitation, social distancing guidance and the Open Meetings Law.

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AGENDA
City of Monroe

LEGAL & REGULAR SESSION – FEBRUARY 28, 2023, 6:00PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL

I: ROLL CALL AND DECLARE QUORUM:

II: INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MR. MARSHALL:

III: COMMUNICATIONS & SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Mr. Harvey
2. Mrs. Ezernack
3. Ms. Woods
4. Mr. Marshall
5. Mrs. Dawson
6. Mayor Ellis

IV: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LEGAL AND REGULAR SESSION OF FEBRUARY 14, 2023:
(PUBLIC COMMENTS)

V: PRESENTATION:
NONE.

VI: PUBLIC HEARINGS:
NONE.

PROPOSED CONDEMNATIONS:
(Public Comment)
NONE.

VII: ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF BIDS:

(Public Comment)

(a) Adopt a Resolution accepting the base bid of Womack and Sons Construction Group, LLC, in the amount of \$781,270.00 for the Ruffin Drive Water Distribution Improvements Project, and further authorizing an authorized city representative, to enter into and execute a contract for said work.

(b) Adopt a Resolution accepting the base bid of Grindstone Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$57,000.00 for the Motor Vehicle Wall Damage Repairs Project, and further authorizing an authorized city representative, to enter into and execute a contract for said work.

VIII: RESOLUTIONS AND MINUTE ENTRIES:

1. Council:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution granting an exception to the Open Container Ordinance to the Twin City Art Foundation (Reception: 60th Annual Juried Competition at the Masur Museum of Art) pursuant to Monroe City Code Sec. 12-231 D. (Open Container Ordinance), and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution granting an exception to the Open Container Ordinance to the Twin City Art Foundation (Off the Wall Annual Fundraiser) at the Masur Museum of Art) pursuant to Monroe City Code Sec. 12-231 D. (Open Container Ordinance), and further providing with respect thereto.

(c) Adopt a Resolution granting an exception to the Open Container Ordinance to the Children's Coalition of NELA (The Annual Dragon Boat Festival) pursuant to Monroe City Code Sec. 12-231 D. (Open Container Ordinance), and further providing with respect thereto.

2. Department of Administration:

Public Comment:

None.

3. Department of Planning & Urban Development:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Friday Ellis to substantially amend the fy 21 Annual Action Plan & fy 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan to expend American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds under the home program. Funding will provide housing, shelter, and supportive services for persons experiencing or at risk of homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, and other vulnerable populations at greatest risk of housing instability in the amount of \$1,167,981.00 from ARP Act Funding, and further providing with respect thereto.

4. Legal Department:

Public Comment:

None.

5. Mayor's Office:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City of Monroe to apply for, accept, and provide up to \$3,000,000 in matching funds for the South Monroe Corridor Improvement Project and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Monroe and the Interstate 20 Economic Development Corporation for the Ruffin Drive Water Distribution Improvements Project, and further providing with respect thereto.

(c) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Monroe and the Northeast Louisiana Children's Museum and further providing with respect thereto.

6. Department of Public Works:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing acceptance of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Small Urban Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facility Urban Funds for Monroe Transit and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to execute Change Order No. One (1) for the Water Treatment Plant Improvements High Service Control Vault Repairs Project, between the City of Monroe and Dixie Overland Construction LLC for an increase in the contract amount of \$52,500.00 and further providing with respect thereto.

7. Department of Community Affairs:

Public Comment:

None.

8. Police Department:

Public Comment:

None.

9. Fire Department:

Public Comment:

None.

10. Engineering Services:

Public Comment:

(a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a designated city representative to execute Change Order No. Two (2) for the Deborah Drive Cross Drains Replacement Project, between the City of Monroe and CW&W Contractors, Inc. for an increase in the contract amount of \$14,015.40 and further providing with respect thereto.

(b) Adopt a Resolution authorizing Mayor Friday Ellis to execute an Utility Relocation Agreement with Entergy for the Kansas-Lane-Garett Road Connector and I-20 Improvements Project (Project No. H007300) and further providing with respect thereto.

BREAK IF NEEDED:

IX: INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Public Comment:

(a) Introduce an Ordinance amending and adjusting the City of Monroe Operating Budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023. (Admin.)

(b) Introduce an Ordinance changing the salary of the Council Members of the City of Monroe and further providing with respect thereto.

(c) Introduce an Ordinance changing the salary of the Mayor of the City of Monroe and further providing with respect thereto.

X: RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND FINAL ADOPTION AND SUBJECT TO PUBLIC HEARING:

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(a) Finally Adopt an Ordinance authorizing a designated city representative to execute a Lease Amendment to the contract of lease by and between the City of Monroe and AvFlight Monroe Corporation, and further providing with respect thereto. (Airport)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(b) Finally Adopt an Ordinance authorizing a designated city representative to execute a Consent to Assignment of Lease from Corks, LLC to AvFlight Monroe Corporation, and further providing with respect thereto. (Airport)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(c) Finally Adopt an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 11,264 which authorized a Lease between Delta Airlines, Inc. and the City of Monroe/ Monroe Regional Airport and further providing with respect thereto. (Airport)

Open Public Hearing/Public Comment/Close Hearing:

(d) Finally Adopt an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 11,263 which authorized a Lease between American Airlines and the City of Monroe/ Monroe Regional Airport and further providing with respect thereto. (Airport)

XI: CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

XII: ADJOURN.