



**Shreveport City Council Special Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2019**

The special meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Jerry Bowman at 3:06 p.m., Monday, April 15, 2019, in the Mayor's Conference Room located on the 2nd floor of Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

The roll was called. Present: Councilmen Willie Bradford, LeVette Fuller, John Nickelson, Grayson Boucher, James Flurry, James Green (left at approximately 3:40 p.m. before the vote was taken) and Jerry Bowman. 7.

The Chairman asked for public comments: There were none.

This special meeting was called to consider Resolution No. 53 of 2019.
The Clerk read the following amendment to the resolution:

Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 53 of 2019: A RESOLUTION WHEREBY THE MAYOR IS MAKING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR ITS APPROVAL REGARDING THE AMOUNT AND TYPE OF VARIOUS INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PAYMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF BINDING INSURANCE AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

AMEND THE RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

Delete the Resolution with the above title and Exhibit A attached to said resolution; substitute the attached Resolution with the same title and the attached Exhibit A.

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment replaces the entire Resolution and attached Exhibit A with a new resolution with the same title and a new Exhibit A.

After discussion and questions by council members, and a presentation by the City Internal Auditors, the following occurred:

Motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 53 of 2019. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher and Flurry. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Green. 1. Abstentions: Councilman Bowman. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 53 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION WHEREBY THE MAYOR IS MAKING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR ITS APPROVAL REGARDING THE AMOUNT AND TYPE OF VARIOUS INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PAYMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF BINDING INSURANCE AND TO

OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Section 10.02(r) of the Shreveport City Charter reads in pertinent part as follows: "...the amount of various types of insurance on which the City pays the premiums in whole or in part shall be approved by the council after a recommendation by the Mayor"; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 18 of 2019 amending Ordinance No. 94 of 2018, amended Section 4 in Ordinance No. 94 to reinstate the practice referenced in the City Charter requiring (1) the Mayor to make a recommendation to the City Council for approval regarding the amount of various types of insurance on which the City pays the premiums in whole or in part, and (2) to further require that the Mayor's recommendation include the procedure used and data analysis which supports the recommendation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Shreveport City Charter Section 10.02(r) and Ordinance No. 18 of 2019, the Mayor is making a recommendation to the City Council for its approval regarding the amount and type of all insurance premiums; and

WHEREAS, this body is extremely concerned because the insurance coverage for property owned by the city is significantly less than the replacement value of the property and the coverage the city had last year, therefore the administration should take immediate steps to procure additional coverage; and

WHEREAS, the invoices for premiums listed in Exhibit A for property insurance are significantly higher than the invoice for the premium last year; however, the invoices should be approved to prevent lapses in coverage; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the invoices for insurance contained in Exhibit A, the city has also received an invoice for Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) for "New Service Fees" from the broker relative to the procurement of the property insurance describe in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, it is customary if not required by LSA-R.S.22:855, for premiums quoted by the insurance company to include all fees and charges. Therefore said Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) invoice should not be approved or paid without adequate documentation and justification and approval by this body.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana in due, regular and legal session convened, that:

1. The invoices for premiums listed on Exhibit A, except the Fire Liability invoice for Two Hundred and Seventy Seven Thousand One Hundred and Six Dollars (\$277,106.00), and except for the invoice for New Service Fees, are approved and the Mayor is authorized to pay those invoices.
2. The invoice for Fire Liability in the amount of Two Hundred and Seventy Seven Thousand One Hundred and Six Dollars (\$277,106.00) is not needed and is not approved.
3. The Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) invoice for New Service Fees is not approved and the invoice should not be paid without adequate documentation and justification and approved by this body.
4. The administration should take immediate steps to procure adequate property coverage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this Resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilman

Boucher, to adopt Resolution No. 53 of 2019 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher and Flurry. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Green. 1. Abstentions: Councilman Bowman. 1.

There being no further business to come before the Council the Special Meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

//s// Jerry Bowman, Jr., Chairman

//s// Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council