

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHEs, STATE OF LOUISIANA,
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019 AT 5:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Natchitoches met in legal and regular session at the Natchitoches Arts Center, 716 Second Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

There were present:

Mayor Lee Posey
Councilman At Large Don Mims, Jr.
Councilman Dale Nielsen
Councilwoman Sylvia Morrow
Councilman Lawrence Batiste

Guests: None

Absent:

Mayor Lee Posey called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone for coming. Michael Braxton was asked to lead the invocation and Councilman Eddie Harrington led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Posey then called for the reading and approval of the minutes for the April 22, 2019 meeting. Mr. Mims moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes and approval of same. Seconded by Mr. Harrington, a roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:	Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington
Nays:	None
Absent:	Morrow
Abstain:	None

Mayor Posey recognized the NSU Middle Lab School Orchestra directed by Katrice LaCour for an outstanding performance at Carnegie Hall in New York City, New York on Monday, March 26th. He also presented them with a plaque congratulating them on their performance.

The following Ordinance was introduced by Mr. Batiste at the Natchitoches City Council meeting held on May 13, 2019 as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 021 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 64 OF 2001 BY CHANGING ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING: Lot At Southeast Intersection Of Texas Street Having Front Of 100 Feet On Texas Street By Depth Of 172.5 Feet On 5th Street from B-2 Neighborhood Business District to B-3 Community & Central Business District to operate an automobile repair business.

(421 Texas St.)

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, has recommended at their meeting of **May 7, 2019** that the application of James LaCour to rezone the property described above from B-2 Neighborhood Business District to B-3 Community & Central Business District to operate an automobile repair business, be **APPROVED**.

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Mr. Mims and Seconded by Mr. Nielsen as follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 018 OF 2019

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE
MILLAGE RATE FOR THE TAX YEAR 2019**

BE IT ORDAINED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2019 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the City of Natchitoches:

MILLAGE

Public Safety Tax	10.000 mills
General Alimony Tax	<u>7.030</u> mills
TOTAL MILLAGE	17.030 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2019, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that cognizance is taken by the City Council that this Ordinance was introduced on the 22nd day of April, 2019 and published in the Natchitoches Times on April 25, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes.

YEAS: Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Morrow

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the ordinance adopted at the board meeting held on May 13, 2019, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Natchitoches, Louisiana, this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Lee Posey, Mayor

Don Mims, Mayor Pro Tempore

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Mr. Nielsen and Seconded by Batiste as follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 019 OF 2019

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY
OF NATCHITOCHES TO AWARD
THE BID FOR THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS RENOVATION PROJECT**

(BID NO. 0611)

WHEREAS, Resolution No.099 of 2018 was passed by the Natchitoches City Council on October 8, 2018 authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the City Council Chambers Renovation Project (Bid No. 0611); and

WHEREAS, this bid was advertised in the *Natchitoches Times* on, October 11, October 18, and October 25, 2018 in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, one bid proposal was received and opened as follows:

- (1) Prothro Construction, LLC
Cypress, LA\$495,716.00

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2019 the appointed committee of Edd Lee, Director of Purchasing; Deborah Miley, Finance Director; Randy LaCaze, Director of Community Development and Lawrence Batiste, Councilman, reviewed the bid proposals for the City Council Chambers Renovation Project (Bid No. 0611);

WHEREAS, the above appointed committee members unanimously recommend the City award the bid to the only bidder **Prothro Construction, LLC** in the amount of **\$495,716.00**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Honorable Lee Posey, Mayor, is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign any and all documents necessary for acceptance of this bid.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on April 22, 2019 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on April 25, 2019.

The above Ordinance having been duly advertised in accordance with law and public hearing had on same, was put to a vote by the Mayor and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington
NAYS: Morrow
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of 4 Ayes to

1 Nays this 13th day of May, 2019.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Mayor Posey stated there has been discussion about this project, but this started as a three phase project at over one million dollars and each phase has come under the original bid.

Mr. Nielsen then stated he was originally against this project. When we got the bid back I thought it was on the high side, but soon after talking to two other contractors felt it was reasonable. This is a total renovation of all the electrical, a/c, plumbing, etc. The building needs to be redone and it's a little overdue. This building has served the public in many ways over the year and I think this will be a nice project.

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Mr. Mims and Seconded by Mr. Nielsen as follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 011 OF 2019

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE
CITY OF NATCHITOCHEs FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
JUNE 1, 2019 THROUGH MAY 31, 2020**

WHEREAS, the fiscal year of the City of Natchitoches is from June 1 through May 31 of each year; and

WHEREAS, a budget has been prepared by the Finance Director, Debbie Miley, and has been submitted by the Mayor, Lee Posey, to the City Council for review and consideration;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained that the Natchitoches City Council does hereby adopt the budget for the fiscal year June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020.

CITY OF NATCHITOCHEs 2019 - 20 FY

General Fund	\$ 16,777,666
Proprietary Fund (Utility)	\$ 36,496,852
Special and Capital Project Funds	\$ 35,783,824

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, in accordance with L.R.S. 39:1305, the following specifies the Mayor's authority to make budgetary amendments without approval of the governing authority, as well as those powers reserved solely to the governing authority:

The Home Rule Charter of the City of Natchitoches states in part "... at any time during the fiscal year the Mayor may transfer part or all of any unencumbered appropriation balance among programs within a department, office, or agency. Upon written request by the Mayor, the Council may by ordinance transfer part or all of any unencumbered appropriation balance from one department, office, or agency to another..." (Section 5.05 D) Supplemental, emergency, and reductions of appropriations must be submitted to the Council for approval by Ordinance. (Section 5.05 A-C)

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on April 8, 2019 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on April 11, 2019.

The above Ordinance having been duly advertised in accordance with law and public hearing had on same, was put to a vote by the Mayor and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington
NAYS: Morrow
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of 4 Ayes to
1 Nays this 13th day of May, 2019.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Ms. Morrow stated she was not able to attend the budget hearing and had some questions she would like to address. She asked everyone to look at page 67 of the proposed budget book. She has concerns with the Mayor and Department Heads having a line item designated for travel, but each City council member does not. She stated not having a line item for travel for the City council members is unfair and not inclusive. She understands not every council member travels, but she does. Therefore, she has brought this to the table tonight.

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Ms. Morrow and Seconded by Mr. Nielsen as follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 012 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHEs, LEE POSEY, TO EXECUTE A LEASE IN FAVOR OF MED-TRANS CORPORATION, OF A PORTION OF LOT 1A OF THE NATCHITOCHEs REGIONAL AIRPORT AS SHOWN ON THE AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN OF APRIL 27, 2001, BY ALLIANCE INCORPORATED AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR ADVERTISING OF THE LEASE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Natchitoches is the owner of those lots shown on the Airport Layout Plan of April 27, 2001, which said lots are available for lease, and more particularly is the owner of Lot 1A as shown and depicted on the Layout Plan, said Lot 1A being approximately a 11,737 square foot area; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Manager, has negotiated the terms of a lease to Med-Trans Corporation, of a portion of that property shown and depicted as Lot 1A on the Layout Plan as well as access to the associated asphalt apron and parking area; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the terms of the lease are for a one (1) year period, and a one (1) year option, with consideration of One Thousand Five Hundred and no/100 (\$1,500.00) Dollars per month, all as set forth in the attached Lease Agreement by and between the City of Natchitoches, and Med-Trans Corporation; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the lease will include the front office area on the southern end of the hanger as well as the southern end of the hanger bay, being a 36 foot by 82.5 foot area, as is shown and depicted on the sketch attached to the Lease Agreement; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the lease further provides that Med-Trans Corporation shall have access to and use of the Classroom (being that 26 foot by 19 foot area in the office area on the eastern side of the hanger) or the conference room in the airport terminal at the rate of One Hundred and no/100 (\$100.00) Dollars per day; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the City desires to lease a portion of Lot 1A of the Layout Plan, as identified on the sketch as well as access to and use of the associated asphalt apron and parking area, under the terms set forth above and more particularly set forth in the lease attached hereto.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council in legal session convened as follows:

(1) That after due proceedings and advertisement, the said City does lease that property shown and described on the attached sketch, being a portion of that 11,737 square foot area, more fully shown and depicted as Lot 1A on the Airport Layout Plan of April 27, 2001, together access to associated asphalt apron and parking area, to Med-Trans Corporation, for the term of one (1) year, with a monthly rental of One Thousand Five Hundred and no/100 (\$1,500.00) Dollars.

(2) That notice of this proposed ordinance be published three (3) times in fifteen (15) days, one (1) week apart, in the Natchitoches Times, the legal journal for the City, and that ordinance be posted in the City Hall.

(3) That any opposition to this ordinance shall be made in writing, filed with the Clerk for the City of Natchitoches within fifteen (15) days after the first publication of this ordinance, and that a public hearing be held after the advertisements have been completed.

(4) That the Mayor, Lee Posey, be and he is hereby authorized, after due proceedings had, and after the legal delays have run, to execute a lease in favor of Med-Trans Corporation, leasing that property shown and described on the attached sketch, being a portion of Lot 1A on the Airport Layout Plan of April 27, 2001, together with access to the associated asphalt apron and parking area, for the term of one (1) year, with the monthly rental of One Thousand Five Hundred and no/100 (\$1,500.00) Dollars.

(5) That the City Clerk be authorized to advertise this proposed lease in accordance with law, i.e., three times in fifteen days, one week apart and to report to the City Council if any opposition is made in writing prior to the time of final adoption.

(6) That the City takes cognizance of the fact that the property described above is not needed for public purposes by the City.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on April 8, 2019 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on April 11, 2019, April 18, 2019 and April 25, 2019.

The above Ordinance having been duly advertised in accordance with law and public hearing had on same, was put to a vote by the Mayor and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington, Morrow
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays this 13th day of May, 2019.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Mr. Harrington and Seconded by Mr. Mims as follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 014 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONVEYANCE OF A 4.774 ACRE TRACT OF LAND IN SECTION 74, TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, TO ARCHIE'S TOWING SERVICE, L.L.C., FOR THE SUM AND PRICE OF \$260,000.00, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, LEE POSEY, TO EXECUTE A DEED AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSFER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHEES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ADVERTISING.

WHEREAS, the City of Natchitoches (sometimes hereinafter referred to as "City") is the owner of property situated in what is commonly referred to as the Natchitoches Industrial Park, including a tract of ground being 4.774 acres, more or less, (sometimes hereinafter "Subject Tract") which tract is situated on the South right of way of Daniel Street, in Section 74, Township 9 North, Range 7 West, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana, and is shown and depicted as Lot 25A on a survey by Davis Surveying, dated February 11, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto and which is more fully described as follows, to-wit:

That certain parcel, lot or tract of land, together with all buildings and improvements thereon situated, located in Sections 75 and 76, Township 9 North, Range 7 West, situated in the Natchitoches Air Industrial Park, and being more particularly described as Lot 25A on a survey by Davis Surveying, dated February 11, 2019, said survey entitled "A Resubdivision of Lots 3, 25 and 26 of Natchitoches Air Industrial Park", a copy of which is attached hereto.

Being a portion of the same property acquired by the City of Natchitoches from Stacy Properties, LLC, by deed dated April 23, 2014, and recorded at Conveyance Book 683, page 231, and by the City of Natchitoches from Daniel Joseph Roque, Jr., by deed dated March 30, 2016, and recorded at Conveyance Book 701, page 199, all of the records of Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.

Subject to the Restrictive Covenants affecting the property known as Natchitoches Air Industrial Park, dated August 1, 1995, recorded in Conveyance Book 508, page 52 and dated August 15, 1995, recorded in Conveyance Book 505, page 52, as amended by instrument dated January 21, 1999, and recorded at Conveyance Book 536, page 594, all of the Records of Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.

Further subject to a deed restriction that modifies Section 14 of the Restrictive Covenants to provide as follows:

Outside storage or temporary placement of any materials, supplies or products, to specifically include automobiles and automobile parts, shall not be permitted except on the rear one-third of the property, and unless the storage is properly screened by a fence and shrubbery or a masonry wall.

; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the City has negotiated with Archie's Towing Service, L.L.C.,(sometimes hereinafter "Archie's") for the sale and purchase of the Subject Tract for the sum and price of \$260,000.00; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the Subject Property has been appraised by Dranguet's Appraisal Service which said appraisal reflects that the sales price is in excess of the appraised value; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, a copy of the Agreement to Buy and Sell and Deed are attached hereto, and have been reviewed and approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, under the provisions of Louisiana R. S. 33:4712, any property owned by the City can be sold or leased to any person after due advertisement and compliance with the law; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the City Council is of the opinion that the Subject Property is not currently needed by the City for any public purpose, and that its conveyance to Archie's is in the interest to the City; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Natchitoches, in legal session convened, that the terms set forth in the proposed Deed attached hereto are approved; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Agreement to Buy and Sell is approved and ratified, and that Lee Posey, Mayor of the City of Natchitoches, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute the Deed on behalf of the City of Natchitoches and any other documents that may be necessary to complete the conveyance of the property to Archie's Towing Service, L.L.C.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that notice of this proposed ordinance be published three (3) times in fifteen (15) days, one (1) week apart, in the Natchitoches Times, the legal journal for the City, and that ordinance be posted in the City Hall.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any opposition to this ordinance shall be made in writing, filed with the Clerk for the City of Natchitoches within fifteen (15) days after the first publication of this ordinance, and that a public hearing be held after the advertisements have been completed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City Clerk be authorized to advertise this proposed conveyance in accordance with law, i.e., three times in fifteen days, one week apart and to report to the City Council if any opposition is made in writing prior to the time of final adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City takes cognizance of the fact that the Subject Property is not currently needed for public purposes by the City.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on April 8, 2019 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on April 11, April 18 and April 25, 2019.

The above Ordinance having been duly advertised in accordance with law and public hearing had on same, was put to a vote by the Mayor and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES:	Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington, Morrow
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	None

ABSTAIN: None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to
0 Nays this 13th day of May, 2019.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

The follow Ordinance was introduced by Mr. Nielsen at the Natchitoches City Council meeting held on May 13, 2019 as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 020 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2018 - 2019 BUDGET TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

WHEREAS, Louisiana Statute (R.S. 39:1310-1311) requires that the City amend its operating budgets when fund balance is being budgeted, and there is a 5% unfavorable variance in revenues and expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the special funds budget be amended to reflect these additional revenues and expenditures as follows:

		<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>Increase/</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
		<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
Fund 011:	HAZARD TAX FUND			
011-0000-481-00-00	Miscellaneous Income	\$ -	\$ 515,845	\$ 515,845
011-0000-481-28-00	Ins Claims for Fire Truck	\$ -	\$ 290,000	\$ 290,000
011-0000-591-20-17	Computer Software Maintenance	\$ 11,448	\$ 7,000	\$ 18,448
011-0000-591-50-02	Interest	\$ -	\$ 6,850	\$ 6,850
011-0000-591-50-05	Principal	\$ -	\$ 627,019	\$ 627,019
011-0000-591-90-03	Machinery & Equipment	\$ 30,000	\$ 485,824	\$ 515,824
Fund 012:	CRIME SALES TAX			
012-0000-591-30-29	Computer Software Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
012-0000-591-90-03	Vehicle	\$ 90,000	\$ (35,000)	\$ 55,000
012-0000-591-90-22	Communication Equipment	\$ -	\$ 93,000	\$ 93,000
Fund 025:	DRUG RECOVERY FUND			
025-0000-591-20-17	Computer Software Maintenance	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 7,000
025-0000-591-30-25	Mach/Equipment (non asset)	\$ 18,900	\$ 5,000	\$ 23,900
025-0000-591-30-29	Computer Software	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,000
025-0000-591-35-36	Informant Fees	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,000
Fund 26:	LAC/TRAFFIC ENF PROGRAM			
026-1111-446-10-00	Traffic Tickets	\$ 35,200	\$ (21,793)	\$ 13,407
026-0000-591-10-50	Wages	\$ 17,600	\$ (5,800)	\$ 11,800
026-0000-591-35-55	Dist. Attorney/City Court	\$ 17,600	\$ (8,600)	\$ 9,000
Fund 27:	PRISONER BOND/RELEASE FUND			
027-0000-591-30-25	Mach/Equipment (non	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,000	\$ 5,500

	asset)						
027-0000-591-30-29	Computer Software	\$	-	\$	2,000	\$	2,000

Fund 40: EVENTS CENTER OPERATIONS

040-0000-591-26-03	Building and Maintenance	\$	15,000	\$	15,500	\$	32,000
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Fund 53: 911 GRANT-POLICE

053-0000-431-03-00	Local	\$	22,000	\$	(22,000)	\$	-
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<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>Increase/</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>

Fund 54: CANE RIVER GREEN MARKET

054-0000-431-09-00	Grant	\$	13,000	\$	(13,000)	\$	-
054-0000-591-25-01	Telecommunications	\$	350	\$	900	\$	1,250
054-0000-591-30-25	Mach/Equip.	\$	-	\$	3,600	\$	3,600
054-0000-591-30-16	Tool & Equip.	\$	-	\$	800	\$	800
054-0000-591-31-04	Miscellaneous	\$	-	\$	6,800	\$	6,800
054-0000-591-40-02	Travel/per Diem/Hotel	\$	-	\$	1,000	\$	1,000

Fund 56: MAIN STREET PROMOTIONS

056-0000-431-09-00	Grant	\$	8,000	\$	(8,000)	\$	-
056-0000-431-91-91	Shade House	\$	-	\$	46,080	\$	46,080

Fund 61: AIRPORT FUND

061-0000-470-01-02	Jet - A	\$	360,000	\$	(45,000)	\$	315,000
061-0000-470-04-00	Ramp Fees	\$	1,500	\$	2,330	\$	3,830
061-0000-470-05-01	Into to-Plane Credits	\$	1,200	\$	300	\$	1,500
061-0000-591-10-50	Overtime	\$	1,500	\$	2,900	\$	4,400
061-0000-591-26-03	Building and Grounds	\$	5,900	\$	4,500	\$	10,400
061-0000-591-26-22	Other Equipment	\$	1,500	\$	325	\$	1,825
061-0000-591-31-02	Jet - A	\$	230,000	\$	(10,000)	\$	220,000

Fund 70: SALES TAX REDEDICATION

070-0000-591-20-13	Construction	\$	-	\$	240,000	\$	240,000
070-0000-591-45-72	Transfer Out-Streets	\$	2,500,000	\$	(1,000,000)	\$	1,500,000

Fund 71: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

071-0000-591-20-13	Construction	\$	-	\$	50,000	\$	50,000
071-0000-591-30-20	Street Signs	\$	-	\$	30,000	\$	30,000

Fund 72: CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS-STREETS

072-0000-491-70-00	Transfer In-Streets	\$	-	\$	1,500,000	\$	1,500,000
072-0000-591-10-09	Part Time	\$	94,640	\$	30,000	\$	124,640
072-0000-591-10-50	Over Time	\$	-	\$	15,000	\$	15,000
072-0000-591-11-12	FICA/Medicare	\$	6,863	\$	2,500	\$	9,363
072-0000-591-26-33	Streets & Drainage	\$	-	\$	10,000	\$	10,000
072-0000-591-90-31	Streets	\$	300,000	\$	2,700,000	\$	3,000,000

Fund 73: UTILITY IMPROVEMENT /CLECO

073-0000-591-35-60	Rentals/Equip/Mach/Tool	\$	150,000	\$	75,000	\$	225,000
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Fund 74: SALES TAX FUNDS

074-0000-482-00-00	Interest	\$	50,000	\$	40,000	\$	90,000
074-0000-591-20-03	Engineering Services	\$	-	\$	96,000	\$	96,000
074-0000-591-20-13	Construction	\$	100,000	\$	753,000	\$	853,000

Fund 82: DEBT SERV-GEN OBLIGATION

082-0000-491-02-00	Utility Fund	\$	-	\$	1,280,000	\$	1,280,000
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2018-2019 Increase/ 2018-2019
Original Budget (Decrease) Amended
Budget Budget

Fund 96: RUE BEAUPORT RIVERFRONT

096-0000-591-20-13	Construction	\$	-	\$	224,300	\$	224,300
096-0000-591-26-03	Building & Ground	\$	-	\$	20,000	\$	20,000
096-0000-591-30-13	Building & Ground Maintenance	\$	-	\$	3,000	\$	3,000

Fund 99: SPORTS COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION

099-0000-482-00-00	Interest	\$	-	\$	200,000	\$	200,000
099-0000-482-04-00	Debt Proceeds	\$	12,500,000	\$	1,500,000	\$	14,000,000
099-0000-591-20-12	Architect/Consulting	\$	-	\$	375,000	\$	375,000
099-0000-591-20-21	Environmental Services	\$	-	\$	300,000	\$	300,000
099-0000-591-50-06	Issuance Cost Elect Distribution	\$	-	\$	40,000	\$	40,000
099-0000-591-90-14	Equipment	\$	-	\$	50,000	\$	50,000
099-0000-591-91-88	NSU Biking Trail	\$	-	\$	50,000	\$	50,000

Fund 104: MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL DRUG TASK FORCE FUND

104-0000-432-09-00	State Grant	\$	21,943	\$	(20,000)	\$	1,943
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Fund 122: LCDBG-LA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

122-0000-591-20-03	Engineering Services	\$	-	\$	70,000	\$	70,000
122-0000-591-20-13	Construction	\$	549,997	\$	1,300,000	\$	1,849,997

Fund 137: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

137-0000-432-09-00	Grant	\$	25,000	\$	(25,000)	\$	-
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Fund 139: AIRPORT HANGER

139-0000-591-03-00	Airport Service Hanger	\$	6,000	\$	(5,000)	\$	1,000
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Fund 219: SWAT FUND/POLICE

219-0000-481-08-00	Misc. Income	\$	-	\$	14,000	\$	14,000
219-0000-591-30-06	Uniforms	\$	-	\$	14,000	\$	14,000

Fund 220: LWCF-PARC Notch

220-0000-433-09-00	Grant	\$	-	\$	21,200	\$	21,200
220-0000-591-20-12	Architect/Consulting	\$	-	\$	21,200	\$	21,200

Fund 312: WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION FUND

312-0000-491-01-00	General Fund	\$	-	\$	123,000	\$	123,000
312-0000-591-20-07	Insurance/Liability/Premium	\$	105,000	\$	15,000	\$	120,000
312-0000-591-40-09	Safety Awards	\$	65,000	\$	58,020	\$	123,020

The following Resolution was introduced by Mr. Nielsen and Seconded by Mr. Mims as follows, to –wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 029 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHEES AND WOMACK AND SONS CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC., FOR THE MASTER LIFT STATION REPLACEMENT, FY 2016 LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (LCDBG) SEWER REHABILITATION

(BID NO. 0596)

WHEREAS, the City of Natchitoches (CITY) awarded the bid to Womack and Sons Construction Group, Inc., (CONTRACTOR) on July 10, 2017 by Ordinance No. 023 of 2017 in the amount of \$2,990,358.95 for the Master Lift Station Replacement, FY 2016 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Sewer Rehabilitation, (Bid No. 0596); and

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2018 the City Council approved **Change Order No. 1** increasing the Contract Time in the amount of 44 days making the revised Contract Time 314 days; and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2018 the City Council approved **Change Order No. 2** increasing the amount of \$103,847.94 making the revised Contract amount \$3,094,206.89; and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2019, CONTRACTOR issued **Change Order No. 3**, more fully described in Attachment “A”; and

WHEREAS, the contract sum will be **decreased** by this **Change Order No. 3** in the amount of \$8,650.00 and the revised contract total will be \$3,085,556.89; and

WHEREAS, the contract time will be **increase** by this **Change Order No. 3** in the amount of 155 days and the revised contract time will be 507 days; and

WHEREAS, the project engineer, Henry Shuler of Shuler Consulting Company, has recommended this change order; and

WHEREAS, the CITY is of the opinion that Change Order No. 3 is in the best interest of the CITY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Natchitoches, in legal session convened, that the Honorable Lee Posey, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute the referenced Change Order No. 3 to the agreement between the City of Natchitoches and the Contractor, Womack and Sons Construction Group, Inc.

This Resolution was then presented for a vote, and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES:	Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington, Morrow
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Resolution passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays on this 13th day of May, 2019.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

The following Resolution was introduced by Mr. Batiste and Seconded by Mr. Nielsen as follows, to –wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 030 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES AND WOMACK AND SONS CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC., FOR THE MASTER LIFT STATION REPLACEMENT, FY 2016 LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (LCDBG) SEWER REHABILITATION

BID NO. 0596

WHEREAS, the City of Natchitoches has contracted with Womack and Sons Construction Group, Inc., for the Master Lift Station Replacement, FY 2016 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Sewer Rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, this work has been completed; and

WHEREAS, a substantial completion inspection has been performed by the Engineer and a representative of the City of Natchitoches, and they find the project to be complete.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Natchitoches, in legal session convened, that the Honorable Lee Posey, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute the referenced Certificate of Substantial Completion for Womack and Sons Construction Group, Inc.

This Resolution was then presented for a vote, and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington, Morrow
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Resolution passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays on this 13th day of May, 2019.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

The following Resolution was introduced by Mr. Harrington and Seconded by Ms. Morrow as follows, to –wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 031 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES, LOUISIANA STATING ITS SUPPORT FOR THE ALIGNMENT OF THE CHURCH STREET BRIDGE WITH ST. CLAIR AVENUE AND FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A TEMPORARY BRIDGE AT TOULINE STREET TO HANDLE TRAFFIC DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW CHURCH STREET BRIDGE, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO COMMUNICATE ITS SUPPORT AND PREFERENCE TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, there is currently a project underway for the replacement of the Church Street Bridge, located in downtown Natchitoches, Louisiana, said project bearing State Project Number H.001271 and Federal Project Number H001271, and being commonly referred to as “Cane River Bridge Church Street Route LA 1-X”; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, as part of the environmental assessment process, the firm C. H. Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C.,(sometimes hereinafter “Fenstermaker”) was retained to undertake a study wherein it would evaluate the impact of the various alternatives to complete the bridge replacement; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, Fenstermaker has identified various alternatives for the construction of the new bridge, including alternatives for the alignment of the new bridge, whether a temporary bridge will be constructed and for the location of a temporary bridge, if constructed; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, there are currently three bridges in the City of Natchitoches that provide crossings over Cane River Lake, one of these bridges being the Church Street Bridge; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, one of the functional deficiencies of the Church Street Bridge, as set forth in the power point presentation provided at a public meeting held on December 7, 2017, was queueing of traffic, and City Council is aware of daily traffic issues at all three bridges located in the City of Natchitoches; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the A.D.T. count on the Church Street Bridge and the Keyser Bridge (the bridge to the South of the Church Street Bridge) is 17,000 vehicles each, per day; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, emergency response vehicles currently face delays when attempting to cross Cane River Lake during times of high vehicle traffic; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the City Council of the City of Natchitoches is of the opinion that it is in the best interest of the city and its citizens to align the Church Street Bridge with St. Clair Avenue; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the City Council is of the opinion that current delays to cross Cane River Lake will increase greatly in the absence of a temporary bridge to handle traffic over Cane River Lake during construction of the Church Street Bridge; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the City Council is of the opinion that public safety will be negatively impacted in the absence of a temporary bridge over Cane River Lake during construction of the Church Street Bridge as emergency response vehicles will be delayed as they attempt to cross Cane River Lake; and

WHEREAS FURTHER, the City Council of the City of Natchitoches is of the opinion that it is in the best interest of the City of Natchitoches and its citizens to construct a temporary bridge at Touline Street, which said bridge will handle traffic over Cane River Lake during the replacement of the Church Street Bridge; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council in legal session convened that it does hereby find that it is in the best interest of the City of Natchitoches and its citizens to construct the Church Street Bridge so that it aligns with St. Clair Avenue, and construct a temporary bridge at Touline Street, which said bridge can handle traffic over Cane River Lake during the replacement of the Church Street Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Lee Posey, is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the proper authorities with the State of Louisiana and the firm of Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C., in order to present the preference of the City Council of the City of Natchitoches, Louisiana.

This Resolution was then presented for a vote, and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Batiste, Nielsen, Mims, Harrington, Morrow
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Resolution passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays on this 13th day of May, 2019.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

Ms. Morrow stated she has communicated verbally and in writing, but there are sections of District 3 where the grass is extremely tall. We cannot continue to not have these lots cut. She submitted a list to the Mayor of the areas of priority and asked the Mayor to get these taken care of.

The next scheduled City Council meeting will be Tuesday, May 28, 2019.

The offices of the City of Natchitoches will be closed on Monday, May 27, 2019 for Memorial Day.

The regularly scheduled City Council Meeting for Monday, May 27, 2019 has been rescheduled to Tuesday, May 28, 2019 due to Memorial Day.

With no further discussion, Mayor Posey made a motion for adjournment and all were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE