

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES, STATE OF LOUISIANA,
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024 AT 5:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Natchitoches met in legal and regular session at the Natchitoches Council Chambers, 716 Second Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

There were present:

Mayor Ronnie Williams
Councilwoman At Large Betty Sawyer-Smith
Councilman Eddie Harrington
Councilman Dale Nielsen
Councilman Christopher Petite
Councilwoman Rosemary Elie

Guest: None

Absent: None

Mayor Ronnie Williams called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone for coming. Mayor Williams led the invocation and Councilwoman Elie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Williams then called for the reading and approval of the minutes for the April 8, 2024 meeting. Councilwoman At Large Smith moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes and approval of same. Seconded by Councilman Nielsen.

A roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Elie, Nielsen, Smith, Harrington, Petite
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

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

RESOLUTION NO. 029 OF 2024

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY 2024 AS
BUILDING SAFETY MONTH IN THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES**

WHEREAS the City of Natchitoches is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and essential role our homes, buildings and infrastructure play, both in everyday life and when disasters strike, and;

WHEREAS our confidence in the resilience of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings, and;

WHEREAS these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a nonprofit that brings together local, state, territorial, tribal and federal officials who are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play, and;

WHEREAS these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from hazards such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods and earthquakes, and;

WHEREAS Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities’ largely unknown protectors of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, sustainable and affordable buildings that are essential to our prosperity, and;

WHEREAS “Mission Possible,” the theme for Building Safety Month 2024, encourages us all to raise awareness about building safety on a personal, local and global scale, and;

WHEREAS each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, people all over the world are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety, resilience and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronnie Williams, Jr., of the City of Natchitoches, Louisiana, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2024 as Building Safety Month. Accordingly, I encourage our citizens to join us as we participate in Building Safety Month activities.

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

AYES:	Elie, Nielsen, Smith, Harrington, Petite
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

THEREUPON, Mayor Ronnie Williams, Jr., declared the Resolution passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays on this 22nd day of April, 2024.

RONNIE WILLIAMS, JR., MAYOR

The following Resolution was introduced by Mrs. Smith and Seconded by Mrs. Elie as follows, to –wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 008 OF 2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION FROM TERRY SFC CONTRACT SERVICES, INC., OF CERTAIN MATERIAL AND SUPPLIES THAT MAY BE UTILIZED IN THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES WATER DEPARTMENT, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL INSTRUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, SFC Contract Services, Inc. (sometimes hereinafter “SFC”) is the owner of the following described property, to-wit:

1. Various lengths of 6”, 8” and 10” ductile Iron pipe.
2. 4-10” x 36” ductile iron spool pieces
3. Various sizes of ductile iron fittings such as 90 degree elbows, 45 degree elbows, fire hydrant fittings and other water line fittings.
4. Various sizes of packing glands and gaskets.

This above described material will sometimes hereinafter be referred to as “Material”.

AND WHEREAS, the above described Material is suitable for use by the City of Natchitoches Utility Department, and

AND WHEREAS, SFC and the City of Natchitoches (sometimes hereinafter “City”) have agreed that the value of the above described property is the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand and no/100 (\$25,000.00) Dollars, said value having been determined by agreement of the parties. Both parties have agreed that this valuation is fair and reasonable, and

AND WHEREAS, SFC has offered to and desires to donate the Material to the City, in consideration of SFC’s desire to further the welfare and good of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have studied the matter and have concluded that the acquisition of the Material above would be in the best interest of the **CITY**, its citizens, and the general public, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council take cognizance of the fact that the Material, described above, can be utilized immediately by the City for public purposes and the Council deems it to be in the best interest of the **CITY** to so acquire the Material, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council wish to go on record to thank SFC for the generous donation to the **CITY**;

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

I. That the City does accept the donation from **SFC Contract Services, Inc.** of the Material described above, immediately, and with gratitude.

II. That the Honorable Mayor, Ronnie Williams, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to accept the donation on behalf of the City and that he is authorized and empowered to execute the Donation, all in accordance with the general terms and conditions set forth in this Ordinance. The said Mayor is hereby given full and complete authority to incorporate in said instrument such terms, conditions, and agreements as may be necessary to protect the interest of the City in substantial compliance with the general terms and conditions set forth in this Ordinance.

III. That the City Council hereby takes cognizance of the fact that the Material to be acquired by the City, in due course, has a total value of \$25,000.00.

IV. That this Ordinance be declared **INTRODUCED** at a Regular Meeting of the City Council on this the 8th day of April, 2024, and that a public hearing be called for at the next regular meeting of the City Council which will be held on the 22nd day of April, 2024.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on April 8, 2024 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on April 13, 2024.

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

AYES:	Elie Nielsen, Smith, Harrington, Petite
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

THEREUPON, Mayor Ronnie Williams, Jr., declared the Resolution passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays on this 22nd day of April, 2024.

RONNIE WILLIAMS, JR., MAYOR

BETTY SMITH, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Delivered to the Mayor on the 23rd day of April, 2024 at 10:00 A.M.

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Mr. Harrington follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 009 OF 2024

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY
OF NATCHITOCHES TO AWARD THE BID CONSISTING OF FUEL FACILITY
IMPROVEMENTS, AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
NO. 3-22-0034-031-2024**

(BID NO. 0666)

WHEREAS, Resolution No.014 of 2024 was passed by the Natchitoches City Council on February 26, 2024 authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids consisting of Fuel Facility Improvements, Airport Improvement Program No, 3-22-0034-031-2024 (Bid No. 0666); and

WHEREAS, this bid was advertised in the *Natchitoches Times* on, February 29, March 7, and March 14, 2024 in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, two bid proposals were received and opened as follows:

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| (1) | 3 Gen Construction, LLC | |
| | Bossier City, LA | \$459,447.00 |
| (2) | Petron LLC | |
| | Alexandria, LA..... | \$524,500.00 |

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2024 the appointed committee of Clarissa Smith, Finance Director; Edd Lee, Director of Purchasing; Larry Cooper, Airport Manager; and Betty Smith, Councilwoman at Large, reviewed the bid proposals consisting of Fuel Facility Improvements, Airport Improvement Program No, 3-22-0034-031-2024 (Bid No. 0666); and

WHEREAS, the above appointed committee members unanimously recommend the City award the bid to the lowest bidder **3 Gen Construction, LLC** in the amount of **\$459,447.00**.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on April 22, 2024 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on April 27, 2024.

ORDINANCE NO. <u>010</u> OF 2024								
The following Ordinance was Introduced by Mr. Petite as follows, to-wit:								
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023-2024 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:								
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
GENERAL FUND	FUND 001 - GENERAL FUND	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
001-5800-580-45-40	TRANSFER OUT TO EVENTS CENTER OPERATIONS	255,000	100,000	355,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	255,000	100,000	355,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
UTILITY FUND	FUND 002 - UTILITY FUND	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
002-0000-461-01-01	ELECTRIC SALES - PUBLIC	32,350,000	(8,000,000)	24,350,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	32,350,000	(8,000,000)	24,350,000				
002-6300-630-33-01	ELECTRICITY PURCHASES - CLECO	24,000,000	(8,000,000)	16,000,000				
002-6300-630-33-02	ELECTRICITY PURCHASES - SWPA	300,000	(100,000)	200,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	24,300,000	(8,100,000)	16,200,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 011 - HAZARD TAX	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
011-0000-419-00-00	HAZARD TAXES	1,550,000	(105,000)	1,445,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	1,550,000	(105,000)	1,445,000				
011-0000-591-26-01	REPAIRS/VEHICLES	-	26,000	26,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	26,000	26,000				

		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 024 - STOP GRANT	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
024-0000-432-09-00	STATE GRANT	-	18,000	18,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	-	18,000	18,000				
024-0000-591-10-50	OVERTIME	-	10,000	10,000				
024-0000-591-11-12	FICA/MEDICARE	-	500	500				
024-0000-591-11-14	WORKERS COMP	-	1,000	1,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	11,500	11,500				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 040 - EVENTS CENTER OPERATIONS	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
040-0000-480-01-00	FACILITY RENT	115,000	25,000	140,000				
040-0000-480-04-00	CATERING	20,000	15,000	35,000				
040-0000-480-06-00	EQUIPMENT RENTALS	25,000	15,000	40,000				
040-0000-480-11-00	BOOTH SALES	500	2,500	3,000				
040-0000-491-01-00	TRANSFER IN FROM GENERAL FUND	255,000	100,000	355,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	415,500	157,500	433,000				
040-0000-591-10-02	SALARIES/NON-ADMIN	26,436	88,064	114,500				
040-0000-591-10-50	OVERTIME	1,003	9,497	10,500				
040-0000-591-11-01	MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	7,799	43,201	51,000				
040-0000-591-11-12	FICA/MEDICARE	381	4,619	5,000				
040-0000-591-35-60	RENTALS/EQUIPMENT	1,100	9,400	10,500				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	36,719	154,781	191,500				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 058 - 911 GRANT - FIRE	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
058-0000-591-26-03	REPAIRS/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	-	8,000	8,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	0	8,000	8,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 061 - AIRPORT OPERATIONS	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
061-0000-432-04-00	STATE GRANT	-	19,000	19,000				

061-0000-470-01-02	JET-A	397,000	80,000	477,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	397,000	99,000	496,000				
061-0000-591-20-07	INSURANCE/LIABILITY/PREMIUM	7,620	3,570	11,190				
061-0000-591-31-02	JET-A	175,000	125,000	300,000				
061-0000-591-35-16	PROMO/IMPROVEMENT	1,000	4,000	5,000				
061-0000-591-35-44	CREDIT CARD FEES	7,000	7,000	14,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	190,620	139,570	330,190				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 062 - ANIMAL SHELTER	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
062-0000-443-00-00	CHARGES FOR SERVICES - ANIMAL SHELTER	12,000	6,000	18,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	12,000	6,000	18,000				
062-0000-591-26-10	REPAIRS/RADIO EQUIPMENT	-	5,250	5,250				
062-0000-591-90-03	CAPITAL ASSETS/VEHICLE	-	14,675	14,675				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	19,925	19,925				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 064 - NW LAW ENFORCE PLAN AGENCY	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
064-0000-432-09-00	STATE GRANT	-	4,600	4,600				
REVENUE	TOTAL	-	4,600	4,600				
064-0000-591-40-02	TRAVEL/PER DIEM/HOTEL	3,500	6,740	10,240				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	3,500	6,740	10,240				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 070 - SALES TAX REDEDICATION	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
070-0000-591-20-03	ENGINEERING SERVICES	195,000	205,000	400,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	195,000	205,000	400,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 072 - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT STREETS	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
072-0000-591-20-04	CONSULTANTS	-	250,000	250,000				
072-0000-591-92-20	CAPITAL PROJECT/21-22 PHASE I STREET REHAB	-	30,000	30,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	0	280,000	280,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				

SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 073 - UTILITY IMPROVEMENT/CLECO	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
073-0000-481-02-00	CLECO CREDITS	550,000	(550,000)	-				
REVENUE	TOTAL	550,000	(550,000)	-				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 074 - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS SALES TAX	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
074-0000-591-40-05	ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	160,000	90,000	250,000				
074-0000-591-92-94	CAPITAL PROJECT - KEYSER AVE LIFT STATION	-	605,000	605,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	160,000	695,000	855,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 104 - MULTIJURISDICTIONAL TASK FORCE	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
104-0000-591-10-50	OVERTIME	3,000	42,000	45,000				
104-0000-591-35-36	INFORMANT FEES	7,000	5,000	12,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	10,000	47,000	57,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 122 - LCDBG POWHATEN WATER	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
122-0000-432-09-00	STATE GRANT	-	750,000	750,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	-	750,000	750,000				
122-0000-591-20-03	ENGINEERING SERVICES	-	17,000	17,000				
122-0000-591-20-04	CONSULTANTS	-	8,000	8,000				
122-0000-591-92-28	CAPITAL PROJECT/WATER DISTRICT PROJECT	-	400,000	400,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	425,000	425,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 140 -AIRPORT MAINTENANCE PROJECTS	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
140-0000-433-03-00	AIRPORT GRANT	100,000	1,100,000	1,200,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	100,000	1,100,000	1,200,000				
140-0000-591-92-16	RW 7/25 - BI - RECONS/CONSTR	-	25,500	25,500				
140-0000-591-92-17	AG RAMP/WASH RACK	-	305,000	305,000				
140-0000-591-92-23	RW 17/35 TAXIWAYS	-	7,000	7,000				

140-0000-591-92-25	REHAB AIRFIELD DRAINAGE	-	5,000	5,000				
140-0000-591-92-32	DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PHASE IV	-	5,000	5,000				
140-0000-591-92-38	RW 17-35, T&A REHAB	-	1,162,520	1,162,520				
140-0000-591-92-44	FUEL FACILITY	-	35,000	35,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	1,545,020	1,545,020				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 164 - SALES TAX DISTRICT E	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
164-0000-414-04-00	SALES TAX TIF E	-	91,300	91,300				
REVENUE	TOTAL	-	91,300	91,300				
164-0000-591-35-87	RIVER SOUTH COMMONS	-	91,300	91,300				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	91,300	91,300				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 172 - ECONOMIC DEV DISTRICT - TIF C	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
172-0000-410-01-03	TIF C	250,000	60,000	310,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	250,000	60,000	310,000				
172-0000-591-92-31	CONTROL OF ACCESS FENCE	-	3,500	3,500				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	3,500	3,500				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 182-AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
182-0000-591-10-09	PARTTIME	-	600	600				
182-0000-591-10-50	OVERTIME	-	9,400	9,400				
182-0000-591-11-12	FICA/MEDICARE	-	100	100				
182-0000-591-11-14	WORKERS COMP	-	250	250				
182-0000-591-26-03	REPAIRS/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	-	90,000	90,000				
182-0000-591-50-02	INTEREST	-	53,000	53,000				
182-0000-591-90-51	IMPROVEMENTS/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	-	200,000	200,000				
182-0000-591-92-29	FAÇADE GRANT	-	2,500	2,500				
182-0000-591-92-30	POLICE CRIME PREVENTION	-	140,000	140,000				

182-0000-591-92-40	WATER TREATMENT PLANT	-	500,000	500,000				
182-0000-591-92-41	STREET IMPROVEMENTS	-	30,000	30,000				
182-0000-591-92-42	FAUNA	-	5,000	5,000				
182-0000-591-92-43	REHAB OF STORM DRAIN	-	37,000	37,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	1,067,850	1,067,850				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 184 - WATER BOND FEE 2023	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
184-0000-432-00-00	STATE GRANT	-	177,000	177,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	-	177,000	177,000				
184-0000-591-50-06	ISSUANCE COSTS	-	174,000	174,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	174,000	174,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 311 - EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
311-0000-482-00-00	INTEREST	500	22,500	23,000				
311-0000-483-00-00	INSURANCE RECOVERY	-	736,000	736,000				
311-0000-484-05-00	DRUG REBATES	60,000	50,500	110,500				
REVENUE	TOTAL	60,500	809,000	869,500				
311-0000-591-40-09	INSURANCE CLAIMS	2,250,000	1,250,000	3,500,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	2,250,000	1,250,000	3,500,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 312 - WORKERS COMP FUND	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
312-0000-591-20-02	ATTORNEYS	35,000	65,000	100,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	35,000	65,000	100,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 313 - POLICE BOND	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
313-0000-481-00-00	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	300,000	(200,000)	100,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	300,000	(200,000)	100,000				
313-0000-591-35-09	OPERATING SERVICES/MARSHALL'S OFFICE	-	200,000	200,000				

EXPENSES	TOTAL	-	200,000	200,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 314 - LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
314-0000-433-07-00	FEMA REIMBURSEMENTS	-	130,000	130,000				
314-0000-482-00-00	INTEREST	500	35,500	40,000				
314-0000-483-00-00	INSURANCE RECOVERY	25,000	142,000	167,000				
REVENUE	TOTAL	25,500	307,500	337,000				
314-0000-591-20-02	ATTORNEYS	120,000	80,000	200,000				
314-0000-591-20-07	INSURANCE/LIABILITY/PREMIUM	500,000	40,000	540,000				
314-0000-591-20-08	INSURANCE/PROPERTY/PREMIUM	210,000	30,000	240,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	830,000	150,000	980,000				
		2023-2024	2023-2024	2023-2024				
SPECIAL FUNDS	FUND 315 - GARBAGE FUND	Original Budget	Adjustments	Revised Budget				
315-0000-591-20-22	GARBAGE SERVICES	1,950,000	250,000	2,200,000				
315-0000-591-30-13	BUILDING & GROUND MAINTENANCE	10,000	10,000	20,000				
EXPENSES	TOTAL	1,960,000	260,000	2,220,000				
THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on April 22, 2024 and published in the <i>Natchitoches Times</i> on April 27, 2024.								

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

RESOLUTION NO. 030 OF 2024

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE
CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 (FINAL) FOR BUILDING & SITEWORK IMPROVEMENTS,
PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING, 1608 TEXAS STREET, NATCHITOCHES, LA
(BID NO. 0660)**

WHEREAS, the City of Natchitoches (CITY) awarded the bid to Martin Metal Construction, LLC on June 12, 2023 by Ordinance No. 032 of 2023 in the amount of \$732,073.00 for Building & Sitework Improvements, Public Works Building, 1608 Texas Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana (Bid No. 0660); and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2024 by Resolution No. 005 of 2024 the City of Natchitoches adopted and approved **Changed Order No. 1**, in the amount of \$79,399.00; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2024, CONTRACTOR issued **Change Order No. 2 (Final)**, fully described in Attachment “A”; and

WHEREAS, the contract sum will be increased by this Change Order No. 2 (Final) in the amount of \$8,315.19 and the revised contract total will be \$819,787.19; and

WHEREAS, the contract time will be increased by this Change Order No. 2 (Final) from Two Hundred Sixty-Five (265) calendar days to **Three Hundred Twenty-Five (325)** calendar days; and

WHEREAS, the project Architect/Engineer, Nassif Engineering & Architecture, LLC, has recommended this change order; and

WHEREAS, the CITY is of the opinion that Change Order No. 2 (Final) 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 Ronnie Williams, Jr., Mayor, be and is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute the referenced Change Order No. 2 (Final) to the agreement between the City of Natchitoches and Martin Metal Construction, LLC.

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

AYES:	Elie Nielsen, Smith, Harrington, Petite
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

THEREUPON, Mayor Ronnie Williams, Jr., declared the Resolution passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays on this 22nd day of April, 2024.

RONNIE WILLIAMS, JR., MAYOR

The following Resolution was introduced by Mrs. Elie and Seconded by Mrs. Smith as follows, to –wit:

RESOLUTION NO. 031 OF 2024

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES AND MARTIN METAL CONSTRUCTION, LLC
FOR
BUILDING & SITEWORK IMPROVEMENTS, PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING,
1608 TEXAS STREET, NATCHITOCHES, LA

(BID NO. 0660)**

WHEREAS, the City of Natchitoches has contracted with Martin Metal Construction, LLC for Building & Sitework Improvements, Public Works Building, 1608 Texas Street, Natchitoches, LA; 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 Ronnie Williams, Jr., Mayor, be and is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute the referenced Certificate of Substantial Completion for Martin Metal Construction, LLC.

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

AYES:	Elie Nielsen, Smith, Harrington, Petite
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

THEREUPON, Mayor Ronnie Williams, Jr., declared the Resolution passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays on this 22nd day of April, 2024.

RONNIE WILLIAMS, JR., MAYOR

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The next scheduled City Council meeting will be **Monday, May 13, 2024.**

With no further discussion, Mayor Williams, Jr., made a motion for adjournment and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

_____/s/_____
RONNIE WILLIAMS, JR., MAYOR

_____/s/_____
BETTY SMITH, MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE