



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, August 09, 2022 at 7:00 PM

City Hall, 206 Van Buren NE, Camden, AR 71701

AGENDA

- A. **CALL TO ORDER**
- B. **INVOCATION** Reverend Bennie Morgan, Pastor - Timothy United Methodist Church, 1800 California Avenue, Camden, Arkansas.
- C. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. **ROLL CALL**
- E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- F. **ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**
- G. **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**
- H. **MAYOR'S REPORT**
- I. **OLD BUSINESS**
- J. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1. ORDINANCE NO. 7-22, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CAMDEN WATER UTILITIES TO INCREASE SEWER RATES FOR CUSTOMERS OF THE AIRPORT SEWER SYSTEM; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
 - 2. RESOLUTION NO. 49-22, A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2022; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES AT THE AIRPORT.
 - 3. R 54-22, A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE DILAPIDATED STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 257 CENTER STREET A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND TO ORDER THE REMOVAL OF SAME.
 - 4. RESOLUTION NO. 55-22, A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND EXPENDING THE \$5,000 STIPEND FOR ELIGIBLE FULL-TIME LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.
 - 5. RESOLUTION NO. 56-22, A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
 - 6. RESOLUTION NO. 57-22, A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 ANNUAL BUDGET; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURCHASE A TRACTOR THROUGH AN INTERLOCAL CONTRACT FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
- K. **OTHER BUSINESS**
- L. **ADJOURNMENT**

ORDINANCE NO. 07-22

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CAMDEN WATER UTILITIES TO INCREASE SEWER RATES FOR CUSTOMERS ON THE AIRPORT SEWER SYSTEM; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Camden, Arkansas (the "City") owns a water and sewer (combined) system, operating under Camden Water Utilities, which is operated as a single, integrated municipal undertaking, under the control of the Camden Water and Sewer Commission (the "Commission"); and

WHEREAS, Camden Water Utilities operates the Airport Sewer System and pays Shumaker Public Service for treating water collected in the System; and

WHEREAS, the Shumaker Public Service has increased the rate being charged to Camden Water Utilities;

WHEREAS, the Camden Water Utilities incurs additional expenses in providing sewer service to the Airport Sewer System;

WHEREAS, this additional cost should be paid by the users of the Airport Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing was published in a local newspaper at least ten (10) before said public hearing; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted to give users of the System an opportunity to be heard regarding the proposed rate changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. Rates to users of the Airport Sewer System shall be increased by \$7.15 on each customer base.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby determined that an emergency exists because of the need to adequately fund the cost of treating water collected in the Airport Sewer System. In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Camden, this Ordinance shall be of full force and effect immediately from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 49-22

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS
AMENDING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2022; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the Airport Commission consistently reviews its operating budget and compares it to actual current income and expenses; and

WHEREAS, fuel prices have drastically increased this year; and

WHEREAS, the expense for an operations contractor has increased; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Commission amended its budget at the last meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Commission has requested that the City’s 2022 annual operating budget be amended to reflect the changes approved by the Commission.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:**

SECTION 1. The 2022 annual operating budget is amended by adding Eight-Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) to line item number 05-52911 for the expense of the operations contractor, increasing it from \$42,000.00 to \$50,000.00.

SECTION 2. The 2022 annual operating budget is amended by deducting Eight-Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) from line item number 05-53311 for the expenses of airport improvements, lowering it from \$48,800.00 to \$40,800.00.

SECTION 3. The 2022 annual operating budget is amended by adding Thirty-Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to line item number 05-46400 for revenue from aviation fuel sales, increasing it from \$150,000.00 to \$180,000.00.

SECTION 4. The 2022 annual operating budget is amended by adding Sixty-Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) to line item number 05-53315 for the expense of aviation fuel, increasing it from \$100,000.00 to \$160,000.00.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 54 -22

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 257 CENTER ST. A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND TO ORDER THE REMOVAL OF SAME PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN ORDINANCE NO. 14-84.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The dilapidated structures located at 257 Center St., are hereby declared to be a nuisance by the City Council of the City of Camden, Arkansas, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1 and Section 2 of Ordinance No.14-84, and the same is hereby condemned and shall be demolished and removed as provided in Ordinance No. 14-84.

SECTION 2: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 55-22

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND EXPENDING THE \$5,000 STIPEND FOR ELIGIBLE FULL-TIME LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

WHEREAS, the Arkansas General Assembly passed Act 224 of 2022 during the 2022 Fiscal Session; and

WHEREAS, through passage of Act 224 of 2022, the Arkansas General Assembly appropriated \$50,000,000 to provide a one-time salary stipend for eligible full-time law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, “eligible full-time law enforcement officer” is specifically defined under Act 224 and the city does not have discretion to change the definition; and

WHEREAS, each eligible full-time law enforcement officer is entitled to a one-time salary stipend of \$5,000, and employee payroll deductions will be applied as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden has 18 eligible full-time law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Camden, Arkansas has determined that the City’s 2022 budget should be amended for the purpose of receiving the revenue for the one-time salary stipend funding from the State of Arkansas and expending the one-time salary stipend to eligible full-time law enforcement officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. This Resolution shall be known as the Amendment Budget Resolution for the City of Camden, Arkansas, for the remaining budget period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022.

SECTION 2. The 2022 annual operating budget is hereby amended to add a revenue line item entitled “Act 224 Law Enforcement Stipend Grant” in the amount of \$ 96,885.00.

SECTION 3. The 2022 annual operating budget is hereby amended to add an expense line item entitled “Act 224 Law Enforcement Stipend Grant” in the amount of \$96,885.00.

SECTION 4. The gross amount of \$5,000.00 shall be disbursed to Camden’s eligible officers (less deductions for taxes, the officer’s share of Medicare, and any other withholding required by state or federal law or required by court order). The sum of \$1,305.00 shall be transferred to the General Fund to offset the City’s share of Medicare. The sum of \$ 5,580 shall be returned to the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration as an unused FICA reimbursement.

SECTION 5. The above expenditures are hereby approved by the City Council of the City of Camden, Arkansas and are hereby authorized and appropriated for the purposes set forth for the remainder of the calendar year ending December 31, 2022

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 56-22

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, AMENDING THE 2022 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET;
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES
(CASA); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, in 1997, the Arkansas Supreme Court identified representation of children as one of the key needs for children in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) was created to fulfill this need; and

WHEREAS, the role of CASA was written into law by the Arkansas Legislature in A.C.A. § 9-27-316; and

WHEREAS, CASA volunteers speak up and advocate for abused and neglected children in the courtroom and other settings; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden desires to support CASA and contract with CASA to provide services to children in the court system; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 annual operating budget included funds for special projects in line item 01-150-57560; and

WHEREAS, line item 01-150-57560 for special projects also included \$7,500.00 for contingencies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to dedicate \$2,500.00 for the CASA program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Mayor, on behalf of the City of Camden, is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Thirteenth Judicial District CASA North to provide advocate services for the sum of \$2,500.00, to be funded as a special project from line item 01-150-57560.

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Mayor

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 57-22

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURCHASE A TRACTOR THROUGH AN INTERLOCAL CONTRACT FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Street Department of Camden is in need of a tractor and mower; and

WHEREAS, the Street Superintendent located the a suitable John Deere tractor and mower available from Deere & Company of Cary, NC, through a contract negotiated by Sourcewell; and

WHEREAS, A.C.A. § 19-11-249 authorizes a city to participate in a cooperative purchasing agreement for the acquisition of commodities; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell is a government to government procurement service that uses mass circulation and minority emphasis print media and internet services to post legal notices and bid solicitations which satisfy formal competitive bid processes for local government; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell obtained a contract for a John Deere tractor and mower from Deere & Company for the negotiated price of \$ 105,240.54; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 annual operating budget for the Street Department included \$284,726.00 for the purchase of machinery and equipment in line item 02-501-59410.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend the 2022 annual operating budget by adding \$5,000.00 to line item 02-501-59410.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The 2022 annual operating budget is hereby amended by changing line item 02-501-59410 for the purchase of machinery and equipment from \$ 284,726.00 to \$289,726.00.

SECTION 3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to purchase a John Deere tractor and mower from Deere & Company, Cary, NC, for the amount of \$105,240.54, as shown on the attached purchase order.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

Mayor

City Clerk