BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING



Tuesday, April 08, 2025 at 7:00 PM City Hall, 206 Van Buren NE, Camden, AR 71701

AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. <u>INVOCATION</u> Reverend Mary Jo Taylor, Pastor Pleasant Ridge Assembly of God Church, 2880 Fairview Road, Camden.
- 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. 04-25,** an ordinance permitting an official of the Camden Airport commission to be interested in contracts with the City of Camden, Arkansas.
 - 2. **Resolution No. 16-25,** a resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of a police vehicle for the Camden police Department.
 - 3. **Resolution No. 17-25,** a resolution authorizing the plumbing repairs to the Police Department Building; waiving competitive bidding; and for other purposes.
 - 4. **Resolution No. 18-25,** a resolution appointing an individual to serve as Alderman for the remainder of the unexpired term of office.
 - 5. **Resolution No. 19-25,** a resolution authorizing the chief elected official to sign an application for DRA funds.
 - <u>6.</u> **Resolution No. 20-25,** a resolution designating a Non-Profit Agency as DRA Grant Administrator.
 - 7. **Resolution No. 21-25,** a resolution amending the 2025 Annual Operating Budget to provide for the purchase of ballistic Vests for the Camden Police Department; and for other purposes.
- K. OTHER BUSINESS
- L. ADJOURNMENT

ORDINANCE NO. 04-25

AN ORDINANCE PERMITTING AN OFFICIAL OF THE CAMDEN AIRPORT COMMISSION TO BE INTERESTED IN CONTRACTS WITH THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-42-107 prohibits an appointed official from having an interest in any contract with the City unless an ordinance is passed specifically permitting an appointee to do so; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Everett, a principal with Everett Contracting, located at 470 Hwy. 274, Camden, Arkansas, has been appointed to the Camden Airport Commission; and

WHEREAS, Everett Contracting could provide services to the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, the Camden Airport Commission has requested that Everett Contracting be allowed to provide services to the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor desires that Brandon Everett, through his company, be allowed to provide services to the City of Camden as the need arises and in accordance with the City's ordinance relative to purchases and contracts.

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

SECTION 1. The City Council, the official governing body of the City of Camden, Arkansas, specifically authorizes the City to enter into contract with Brandon Everett, a principal with Everett Contracting, on an as-needed basis in accordance with the City's ordinance relative to purchases and contracts, without the necessity of prior approval of the City Council.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall not be construed to require the City of Camden to solely use the services of the above-mentioned company, but to provide authorization pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-42-107 for Brandon Everett, an appointed official of the Camden Airport Commission, to be interested in an ongoing contractual relationship with the City of Camden in furnishing his services as the need arises under the guidelines of the City's ordinance relative to purchases and contracts.

SECTION 3. This authorization shall be contemporaneous with Brandon Everett's term on the Airport Commission and shall expire on November 18, 2028.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS	DAY OF	, 2025.
Mayor		
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City Clerk		

RESOLUTION NO. 16-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, AWARDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF A POLICE VEHICLE FOR THE CAMDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Camden appropriated \$ 106,000.00 in the Police Department Fund, Account No. 1-110-59440, for the purchase of vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden has solicited competitive bids for a new 2024 police vehicle for the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the City received one (1) bid to said solicitation; and

WHEREAS, Jim Golden Ford of Camden, Arkansas was the lowest qualified bid; and

WHEREAS, the lowest qualified bid was in the amount of \$45,656.00.

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

SECTION 1. Jim Golden Ford of Camden, Arkansas is hereby awarded the bid for one (1) 2024 police vehicle for the purchase price of Forty-Five Thousand, Six-Hundred and Fifty-Six Dollars (\$ 45,656.00).

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS	DAY OF	, 2025.
Mayor		
City Clerk		

RESOLUTION NO. 17-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, AUTHORIZING PLUMBING REPAIRS TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Police Department building is in dire need of significant plumbing repairs; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 annual operating budget allocated \$130,000.00 for capital outlay/buildings in line item 01-110-59420; and

WHEREAS, the City obtained a quote from Perma-Liner of Arkansas, of Alma, Arkansas, to perform the plumbing repairs for \$43,250.00; and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that competitive bidding is not practical or feasible in this situation because the repairs need to be completed immediately.

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

SECTION 1. The Council of the City of Camden hereby waives the competitive bidding process due to this exceptional situation in which it is not feasible or practical as provided under A.C.A. § 14-58-303.

SECTION 3. The Mayor is authorized to contract Perma-Liner of Arkansas, of Alma, Arkansas, to perform the plumbing repairs to the Police Department building for the sum of \$43,250.00.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS	DAY OF	, 2025
MAYOR		
CITY CLERK		

RESOLUTION NO. 18-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, APPOINTING AN INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE AS ALDERMAN FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF OFFICE.

WHEREAS, Brady Renix, the alderperson for Ward 3, submitted a letter of resignation during the regular council meeting on March 11, 2025; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy currently exists in Ward 3 for the term that runs through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated Section 14-43-411 states that whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of alderperson, the City Council shall proceed, at the first regular meeting after the occurrence of the vacancy, to elect by a majority vote of the remaining members elected to the council, an alderperson to serve for the unexpired term; and

WHEREAS, A.C.A. §14-43-411 further states that the person elected by the council shall be a resident of the ward where the vacancy occurs at the time of the vacancy.

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

Arkansas, 411, hereb	N 1. The City Council, the official governing acting in accordance with the provisions of the provisio	of Arkansas Code Annotated to fill the unexpired term	d Section 14-43-
1	PASSED AND APPROVED THIS	_ DAY OF	_, 2025
Mayor			
City Clerk			

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL TO SIGN AN APPLICATION FOR DRA FUNDS

Resolution No. 19-25

Be it resolved by the City Council of Camden, State of Arkansas, a resolution to be entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY GRANT FUNDS

WHEREAS: The city of Camden is applying for Community Infrastructure funds through the Delta Regional Authority, and

WHEREAS: It is necessary that certain conditions be met as part of the application requirements; and

WHEREAS: The city council of Camden, Arkansas supports the proposed Safe Streets Rehabilitation Project, and

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

The Mayor of Camden is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City of Camden to submit an application to the Delta Regional Authority for Community Infrastructure funds and to expend funds to accomplish such community development activities, if the grant is awarded.

	Charlotte Young, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Donna Stewart, City Clerk	

This Resolution passed and adopted in regular session: April 8, 2025

Resolution 20-25

Resolution Designating Non-Profit Agency as DRA Grant Administrator

Whereas, City of Camden Arkansas, is applying to Delta Regional Authority for Community Infrastructure Funds, and;

Whereas City of Camden, Arkansas, recognizes the need for assistance in applying and administering the anticipated DRA grant in compliance with applicable Federal, State and Local laws;

Whereas, City of Camden, Arkansas, has a long-standing relationship with SWAPDD, Inc. and feels confident that it will apply and administer the above-referenced project competently;

Therefore, be it resolved that City of Camden, Arkansas, hereby authorizes the Mayor to designate the Southwest Arkansas Planning and Development District, Inc., as the project administrator for the above-referenced Community Infrastructure grant, subject to Delta Regional Authority approval, and enter into a Contract for Administrative Services with such agency for project administrative services.

=	Mayor	Charlotte Young	
Attest:			
Aucsi.	City Cl	erk Donna Stewart	
Date R	esolution	Passed: 4/8/2025	

RESOLUTION NO. 21-25

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2025 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF BALLISTIC VESTS FOR THE FOR THE CAMDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Camden Police Department is in need of Kevlar ballistic vests for its personnel; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend the 2025 annual operating budget to provide for the cost of fourteen (14) Kevlar ballistic vests in the total amount of Fifteen-Thousand, Four-Hundred and Forty-Five Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$15,445.84).

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

SECTION 1. The 2025 annual operating budget is amended by adding Fifteen-Thousand, Four-Hundred and Forty-Five Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$15,445.84) to line item 1-110-59210 for police department capital outlay/equipment for the purchase of fourteen (14) Kevlar ballistic vests.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS	DAY OF	, 2025.
Mayor		
City Clerk		