## THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS

The special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons was held in the Courtroom at City Hall at 5:40 p.m. on Friday, March 28, 2025. Mayor Betty Alford-Olive presided.

Roll call was as follows:

Present: Angela Tappin (District A) Charles Bradford (District B), James Green

(District C), Darry Green (District D), Howard Loche (District E)

Absent: None

The Invocation was given by Mayor Alford-Olive. Mr. D. Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor announced that she will post a vacancy for Code Enforcement officer during the next week. A letter of resignation has been received. She also announced a memorial service in honor of former Mayor Henry Cotton is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Sunday, March 30, 2025 at the Bastrop Municipal Center.

Ms. Tappin stated that the Mayor posted on social media that she did not attend a press conference for the late Marquez Crowder because she did not want to use her political position for advancement. Ms. Tappin stated that the Mayor's statement insinuated that the attendance of other candidates was for political reasons. Ms. Tappin said she has personal ties to the family. Mr. Bradford stated he is related to the family. Mr. D. Green thanked those who came to support. The Mayor said her statements were not aimed at anyone. Mr. J. Green said, though he was not able to attend, he believed those that were at the press conference were there in support of the family.

Mr. D. Green announced that Representative Julia Letlow was in Bastrop earlier in the day. The Mayor stated she received a phone call notifying her of the visit moments before the event sponsored by the Bastrop-Morehouse Chamber of Commerce.

The Council discussed payment of CEA funds for District A. Ms. Tappin said she had been notified by the person she contacted to do the work, that he was unable to pick up payment. She stated that it was not a good look for her or the City. Mr. J. Green stated he was told documentation was missing but was not told what was needed. Attorney Jones explained there was a discrepancy with the name, which could be marked through and corrected. The Council discussed the correction of the CEA to ensure payment is made.

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Loche, seconded by Mr. J. Green, followed by a unanimous vote.