



Parish of Ascension

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASCENSION PARISH COUNCIL

July 20, 2023 - 6:00 PM

**ASCENSION PARISH COURTHOUSE
607 E Worthey Rd
Gonzales**

AGENDA

- (1) Call To Order / Invocation and Pledge**
- (2) Roll Call**
- (3) Chair's Additions**
- (4) Public Comment Sign- In Period**
- (5) Parish President's Report:**
- (6) Presentations**
 - a. Proclamation - to proclaim July 8th "Dancing for a Cause Day" in Ascension Parish - ARC of Ascension
- (7) Consent Agenda**
 - a. Adoption of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2023
 - b. Approval of Amendment #2 to the Professional Services Contract with I.C.E. Sales and Services, LLC, to increase the total amount by an additional \$25,000.00. The total new contract not to exceed amount is \$75,000.00 (Bill Dawson, Utilities Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - c. Approval of Renewal of Master Services Contract between Ascension Parish Government and Enmon Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Jani-King of Baton Rouge for one (1) year, beginning on August 18, 2023 with an option to renew for one (1) consecutive year after the one (1) year period ends. Total amount of the contract is \$1,036,172.00 (Ricky Compton, Planning and Facilities Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - d. Approval of Amendment #1 to Contract for Grass Cutting Services with MD Lawn Service & Pressure Washing, LLC to include additional cuts at various locations. Total amendment amount \$40,600.00 for a new contract not to exceed amount of \$182,140.00 (Michael King, Recreation Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

- e. Approval of Renewal of Services Contract between Ascension Parish Government and Life House Staffing for a term of one (1) year with an option to renew for one (1) consecutive year after the one (1) year period ends. Compensation for the term of this agreement shall not exceed \$149,500.00 (Michael King, Recreation Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- f. Approval of Renewal of Master Services Contract between Ascension Parish Government and Trash Rangers of Louisiana Commercial, LLC for one (1) year, beginning on September 1, 2023 with an option to renew for one (1) year after the one (1) year period ends. Total contract shall not exceed \$165,000.00 (Randy Mullis - Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- g. Bid Results and approval to enter into contract for Bonadona/Cataldo Drainage Improvements with the lowest responsive bid submitted by MTC Construction, LLC in the amount of \$1,401,442.00 (Dean Thomason, Project Manager and/or Devin Russ, Purchasing Assistant Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- h. Approval of Change Order #2 - Angelo & Son Electrical Service for the OEP Backup Power Electrical Connection Project, Parish Project No. PM-22-03-001 - Increase the number of days by 74 days for a new substantial completion date of 3/15/23 due to delays in receiving the automatic transfer switch which was received and installed on February 17, 2023 by Contractor. No change to contract price (Dean Thomason, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- i. Approval of Amendment #2 to the Master Contract for Professional Services with Multistudio, LLC of Louisiana for an extension of the contract through December 31, 2023 (Dean Thomason, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- j. Approval of Change Order #1 - Doyle Electric for Crescent Place Subdivision Lighting Repairs to increase the contract time for an additional 60 days due to equipment ownership between the Parish and Entergy. No change to contract price. (Dean Thomason, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- k. Approval of Amendment #8 to the Professional Services Contract with McKim & Creed, Inc. for utilities engineering and technical support to extend the contract term through August 3, 2024 (Dean Thomason, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- l. Approval of Amendment #4 to the Agreement for psychiatric, substance abuse and mental health services with Dr. J. Robert Barnes, Mental Health East for additional funds through the end of the contract term in the amount of \$8,191.28, for a new contract not to exceed amount of \$278,072.56 (Patrick Goldsmith, Chief Financial Officer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- m. Approval of Renewal of Contract with Southern Strategy Group to provide services to the legislative branch of state government to include but not limited to, analysis, advice, advocacy, facilitation and monitoring for a term of one (1) year, beginning August 1, 2023 and ending July 31, 2024 for a monthly fee of \$6,000.00 for a not to exceed amount of \$72,000.00 (Patrick Goldsmith, Chief Financial Officer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

(8) Committee Recommendations

- a. Appointments/Reappointments to Tourism Commission *Personnel Committee Recommendation*
- b. Reappointments to Waterways Commission *Personnel Committee Recommendation*

(9) General Business

- a. Presentation and approval to proceed with Introduction of Ordinance of "2023 Transportation Impact Fee Study Update" - (Planning Director Eric Poche) *Transportation Committee Recommendation*
- b. ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funds Status (Councilman Aaron Lawler, Councilman John Cagnolatti, Councilwoman Teri Casso)

- c. Discussion of ACT 393 (Senate Bill No. 201) - relative to open meetings to authorize certain public bodies to conduct meetings via electronic means (Councilman Michael Mason, Councilman Aaron Lawler, Councilwoman Teri Casso)
- (10) Introduction of Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)**
 - a. Introduction of Ordinance - to declare surplus and authorize the sale and/or transfer of miscellaneous movable equipment *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- (11) Public Hearings Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)**
 - a. Reading of Ordinance - to accept the donation and transfer of title to an Emergency Response Boat from the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office to the Parish of Ascension/Fire District #1 (Jean Paul Robert, Legal Counsel) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - b. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to accept the donation and transfer of title to an Emergency Response Boat from the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office to the Parish of Ascension/Fire District #1
 - c. Ordinance - to accept the donation and transfer of title to an Emergency Response Boat from the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office to the Parish of Ascension/Fire District #1
- (12) Executive Session**
 - a. Alan Braud, Jr. vs. Ascension Parish Council, Docket No. 131,544 "D" - Approval of outside Counsel
- (13) Adjourn**