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REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASCENSION PARISH COUNCIL

May 16, 2024 - 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) Consent Agenda
 - a. Adoption of April 18, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 - b. Adoption of May 2, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 - c. Approval of Appropriation to the City of Donaldsonville for the 29th Annual Juneteenth Music Festival to be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024, in the amount of \$8,000.00. The event is funded through the City of Donaldsonville and vendor fees and Ascension Parish Government will be a co-sponsor (Ruth Phillips, Chief Administrative Officer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - d. Approval of Renewal of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and A&M College represented by LSU Agriculture Center and Ascension Parish Government, to provide 4-H Youth Development Programs that are both relevant and useful to all Louisiana citizens. Total amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 per year (Camille Brady, 4-H Extension Agent) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - e. Approval of Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Ascension Parish Library Board and the Parish of Ascension for the St. Amant Library and Community Center to satisfy the Auditor's desire to clarify ownership after construction (Ricky Compton, Infrastructure Division Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - f. Approval of Amendment #1 to the agreement between Ascension Parish Government,

Dr. Frank J. Peretti d/b/a Forensic Autopsy & Consulting Services, LLC and Dr. Christopher Trevino, Ascension Parish Coroner for autopsy and autopsy forensic services, to temporarily increase the not to exceed amount by an additional \$30,000.00 through June 2024, for a total not to exceed amount of \$79,999.00 (Colleen Arceneaux, Director of Health and Community Development) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

- g. Results of Request for Proposals and approval to enter into Contract with Modern Metals & Recycling, LLC to retain a qualified contractor for scrap metal recycling services (Jade Robin, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- h. Results of Request for Qualifications and approval to enter into a contract with Duplantis Design Group for the engineering/design services for additions to the South Louisiana Fairgrounds Park including new Airnasium, restroom and multipurpose field (Rachael Farrar, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- i. Approval to renew a time and materials, task order driven Contract with the only responsive Request for Proposals submitted by Del-Con, LLC to support the Parish with plumbing and maintenance and repairs to Parish buildings and facilities, RFP/PM-21-12-002. Not to exceed amount of \$150,000.00 (Jason Thompson, Maintenance Supervisor) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- j. Approval of Entity Contract for Consulting Services between Ascension Parish Government and Design Engineering, Inc., for construction engineering and inspection (CE&I) services on the PR 929 Overlay (US 61-LA 42) project (State Project Number H.014642.6 and Contract Number 4400027404), and approval for Parish President Clint Cointment to execute the Agreement. Total contract not to exceed \$119,545.00. The Parish shall be responsible for 20% funding and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) shall be responsible for 80% (Federal) funding (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- k. Approval of Amendment #1 to the Master Contract for Professional Services with HNTB Corporation - Move Ascension Program Manager to modify the contract and add Pre-Construction Management and Design Oversight Sub-Consultant Services, and to clarify Right-of-Way Acquisition Services. The amendment will increase the amount of the contract by \$609,608.64 for a new not to exceed value of \$4,794,801.08 (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- l. Approval to amend the Master Contract for Professional Services - Engineering Review Agency Services (Contract 240113), with CSRS, Inc., executed on April 9, 2024, to modify Exhibit "B" Schedule of Rates and Charges to include two additional staff classifications: 19) Senior Transportations Designer at \$115.00 per hour and 20) Project Manager II at \$180.00 per hour. This contract modification results in no change in the contract not to exceed cost or the contract expiration date (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

(7) General Business

- a. Approval of Amendment #7 to Master Contract for Professional Services with T. Baker Smith, Project No. ENG-17-013 - to correct a clerical error on Amendment No. 6 which incorrectly states a "not to exceed" amount of \$1,267,451.00, the correct amount being \$2,362,671.00 and add a new expiration date of May 2, 2025 (Daniel Helms, Chief Engineer) *President Clint Cointment, Chairman Chase Melancon, and Councilwoman Pam Alonso*

(8) Introduction of Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)

- a. Introduction of Ordinance - (Millage Ordinance #1) - to levy millages on the 2024 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Ascension Parish Government
- b. Introduction of Ordinance - (Millage Ordinance #2) - to increase millage rates, but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rates on all taxable property shown on the the official assessment roll for the year 2024 and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied

- c. Introduction of Ordinance - accepting Act of Donation by Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office of two (2) vehicles to Ascension Parish Fire District #1. The vehicles are as follows: One (1) 2011 Dodge Ram - 1500 Crew Cab, VIN #1D7RB1CP2BS661946; One (1) 2013 Ford Expedition, VIN #1FMJU1F58DEF53629 (James LeBlanc, Fire District #1) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- (9) Executive Session**
 - a. LCA-0027461 - Moving Vehicle Accident property damage settlement
- (10) Adjourn**

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