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REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASCENSION PARISH COUNCIL

July 18, 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 June 20, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
 - b.** Approval of edit to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and Ascension Parish School Board (APSB) that was previously approved by Parish Council in January 2024 to coordinate resources to support early childhood education throughout the Parish (Colleen Arceneaux, Director of Health and Community Development) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - c.** Approval of Amendment #1 to the Agreement for Autopsy Transport Services with Dr. Christopher Trevino and Harry Smith, Jr. d/b/a KT Mortuary Transport Service, LLC to add \$25,000.00 to the contract amount to pay remaining invoices owed for a new not to exceed contract amount of \$74,999.00 (Colleen Arceneaux, Director of Health and Community Development) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - d.** Approval of Addendum #2 to the Sublease Agreement with Donaldsonville Developments, LLC for part of the building located at 318 Mississippi Street, Donaldsonville, Louisiana, to extend the term for an additional year through September 20, 2025, and increase the monthly rent amount to \$13,763.19, as per the original Sublease terms (Ricky Compton, Infrastructure Division Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - e.** Approval of Renewal of Master Services Contract with Enmon Enterprises, LLC d/b/a

Jani-King of Baton Rouge for janitorial services at Parish facilities for a term of one (1) year, beginning August 18, 2024. Total contract amount not to exceed \$1,594,093.00 (Ricky Compton, Infrastructure Division Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

- f. Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and Life House. Life House will provide general and skilled labor personnel to Ascension Parish Government and Ascension Parish Government will provide employment and pay the laborers provided by Life House at the agreed upon rate according to the rate sheet attached to the agreement. This Cooperative Endeavor Agreement shall terminate on December 31, 2024, with a total not to exceed amount of \$149,000.00 (Ricky Compton, Infrastructure Division Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- g. Approval of Legal Services Contract with Butler Snow, LLP to represent the Parish in legal services in connection with the proposed creation of Infrastructure Development Districts and/or Economic Development Districts. Payment is on an hourly basis, based on the Louisiana Attorney General's Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule, with a not to exceed amount of \$70,000.00 (Eric Poche, Director Planning and Development) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- h. Approval of Amendment #1 to the Master Services Contract with Cuyler Boad, d/b/a Innovative Aquatic Solutions, to decrease the total amount of the contract by - \$22,774.00, for a new not to exceed amount of \$46,726.00 due to the completion of the pond cleaning at the Ascension Parish Governmental Complex (Randy Mullis, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- i. Approval of Amendment #1 to the Master Services Contract with Clean Earth of Alabama, Inc. for household hazardous materials collection, to increase the contract amount by \$27,000.00, for a total not to exceed amount of \$80,694.35 (Aline Pruitt, Environmental Program Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- j. Approval of Change Order #5 - R.J. Daigle & Sons Contractors, Inc. for the Ascension Parish Overlay Program, Project H.014704.6, to reconcile final quantities for milling, patching, overlays and associated activities and to add 116 days to the contract. This change order will decrease the contract amount by -\$273,965.29, for a new total contract amount of \$3,610,274.47 (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- k. Approval of Change Order #3 - Richard Price Contracting Co., LLC, for the Churchpoint Road and Roddy Road Roundabout Project in the Move Ascension Program, Project H.006459, to remove unforeseen asphalt in base course. This change order will increase the contract amount by \$4,600.00, for a new total contract amount of \$1,956,829.96 (Richard Price Contracting Co., LLC., DOTD Change Order #4) (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- l. Approval of Change Order #4 - Richard Price Contracting Co., LLC, for the Churchpoint Road and Roddy Road Roundabout Project in the Move Ascension Program, Project H.006459, to add an additional catch basin adjacent to the apartment complex parking lot. This change order will increase the contract amount by \$3,485.13, for a new total contract amount of \$1,960,315.09 (Richard Price Contracting Co., LLC, DOTD Change Order #5) (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- m. Approval of Change Order #5 - Richard Price Contracting Co., LLC, for the Churchpoint Road Roddy Road Roundabout Project in the Move Ascension Program, Project H.006459, to remove center island landscaping, provide for a concrete pump truck to place concrete in the center island of the roundabout, and add six (6) working days to the contract. This change order will decrease the contract amount by -\$10,342.64, for a new total contract amount of \$1,949,972.45 (Richard Price Contracting Co., LLC, DOTD Change Order #6) (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- n. Approval of Contract between Ascension Parish Government and R.J. Daigle & Sons

Contractors, Inc. - PR 929 Overlay: US61 - Parker Road, State Project #H.014642, in the amount of \$1,139,685.32, and approval for the Parish President to execute this contract. LADOTD did advertise for, receive and accept a bid from the contractor for work on the construction project (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

- o. Approval of Amendment #1 to Master Contract for Professional Services with Pintail Contracting, LLC for the Water Plant Media Change & Paint Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) 2021-CWEF-ASC-0001/P.O. #2000644518 project for additional work to repair a leak in existing filter floor (approximately 15' in length). The total amount for this amendment is \$1,431.00 for a new contract amount of \$98,487.00 and no change in contract term (Dean Thomason, Project Manager) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

(7) General Business

- a. Approval of Amendment #1 for the Master Services Contract for Parish wide dumpster rental to transfer the contract from Trash Rangers of Louisiana Commercial, LLC to Waste Management of Louisiana, LLC (Professional Project Manager Randy Mullis) *Chairman Chase Melancon, Councilman Michael Mason, Councilwoman Pam Alonso*
- b. Approval of Amendment #1 of the Sponsorship Agreement at Lamar Dixon Expo Center for Trash Rangers of Louisiana Commercial, LLC to transfer agreement to Waste Management of Louisiana, LLC (Jazz Traylor) *Chairman Chase Melancon, Councilman Michael Mason, Councilwoman Pam Alonso*
- c. Resolution - ordering and calling a special election to be held in Road Lighting District No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 4, No. 5 and No. 6 of the Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana on Saturday, December 7, 2024 for the purpose of authorizing the renewal of the five (5) mill tax on assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in each of the Districts for a period of ten (10) years, for the purpose of providing and maintaining electric lights on the streets, roads, highways, alleys and public places in the Districts and further making application to the State Bond Commission for consent and authorization to hold the aforesaid election and further providing for other matters in connection therewith (Bond Counsel)
- d. Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Ascension Chamber of Commerce and Ascension Parish Government for the creation, production and publishing of a local podcast regarding organizations, professionals, leaders and topics relevant to Ascension Parish *President Clint Cointment, Councilman Michael Mason, Chairman Chase Melancon*

(8) Introduction of Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)

- a. Introduction of Ordinance - ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, on December 7, 2024 to authorize certain amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana to provide that the Secretary and related staff shall be appointed by the Parish Council and to delete the language "*Governing Authority members shall receive an annual salary not to exceed the maximum amount allowed for police jurors by state law*"; making application to the State Bond Commission; and providing for other matters in connection therewith *Unanimously Sponsored*
- b. Introduction of Ordinance - declaring surplus and authorization of the sale and/or transfer of miscellaneous movable equipment (Lynda Timmons, Finance Department) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

(9) Public Hearings Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)

- a. Reading of Ordinance - (Ordinance #1) - to levy taxes on the 2024 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Ascension Parish Government for Road Infrastructure Districts

- b. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to levy taxes on the 2024 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Ascension Parish Government for Road Infrastructure Districts
- c. Ordinance - to levy taxes on the 2024 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Ascension Parish Government for Road Infrastructure Districts
- d. Reading 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 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 - Road Infrastructure Districts
- e. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to increase millage rates, but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rates on all taxable property shown on 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 - Road Infrastructure Districts
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- g. Reading of Ordinance - to declare one 1998 Sunshine Homes Manufactured Home, VIN ALS04681, an asset of EA Drainage No. 1 as surplus and provide for the sale and/or transfer of same
- h. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to declare one 1998 Sunshine Homes Manufactured Home, VIN ALS04681, an asset of EA Drainage No. 1 as surplus and provide for the sale and/or transfer of same
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- j. Reading of Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinances to add subsection (e) Records Retention to Chapter 2 - Administration, Article I. In General, Section 2-8 Public Documents
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- n. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance declaring surplus and authorizing the sale and/or transfer of miscellaenous movable equipment
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- p. Reading of Ordinance - to declare surplus and authorize the sale and/or transfer of miscellaneous immovable property commonly known as LaLa Regira Field
- q. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance declaring surplus and authorizing the sale and/or transfer of miscellaneous immovable property commonly known as LaLa Regira Field
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- s. Reading of Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix IV, Section 17-40100 Definitions, by adding Floodplain Management Plan (FMP) and Offsite Drainage Assessment (ODA) *Planning Commission Recommends Approval*
- t. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix IV, Section 17-40100 Definitions, by adding Floodplain Management Plan (FMP) and Offsite Drainage Assessment (ODA)
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- v. Reading of Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix IV, Attachment B. Drainage Impact Study Procedure - Paragraph I. Study Conclusions and Recommendations; and Paragraph J. Consideration for Protecting Existing Watersheds and Conveyance Systems *Planning Commission recommends APPROVAL*
- w. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance amending the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix IV, Attachment B. Drainage Impact Study Procedure - Paragraph I. Study Conclusions and Recommendations; and Paragraph J. Consideration for Protecting Existing Watersheds and Conveyance Systems
- x. Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix IV, Attachment B. Drainage Impact Study Procedure - Paragraph I. Study Conclusions and Recommendations; and Paragraph J. Consideration for Protecting Existing Watersheds and Conveyance Systems
- y. Reading of Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix V, Drainage, to add new Section 17-506.3 - Offsite Drainage Assessment *Planning Commission recommends APPROVAL*
- z. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix V, Drainage, to add new Section 17-506.3 - Offsite Drainage Assessment
- aa. Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix V, Drainage, to add new Section 17-506.3 - Offsite Drainage Assessment
- bb. Reading of Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix XII, Fees *Planning Commission recommends APPROVAL*
- cc. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix XII, Fees
- dd. Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code, Appendix XII, Fees
- ee. Reading of Ordinance - to amend Chapter 19, Roads, Bridges and Other Public Ways, Article IV, Transportation Impact Fee, Section 19-51(d). Establishment of Transportation Impact Fee Schedule, of the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinance (3.17% decrease) *Transportation Committee Recommendation*
- ff. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to amend Chapter 19, Roads, Bridges and Other Public Ways, Article IV, Transportation Impact Fee, Section 19-51(d). Establishment of Transportation Impact Fee Schedule, of the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinance (3.17% decrease)
- gg. Ordinance - to amend Chapter 19, Roads, Bridges and Other Public Ways, Article IV, Transportation Impact Fee, Section 19-51(d). Establishment of Transportation Impact Fee Schedule, of the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinance (3.17% decrease)

(10) Executive Session

- a. Consideration of hiring Talbot, Carmouche, & Marcello and the Long & Long Law Firm, to represent Ascension Parish in an existing class action lawsuit regarding PFAS

chemicals - Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Product Liability Litigation, United States District Court, South Carolina, Charleston Division, MDL No. 2:18-mm-2873-RMG

- b.** Consideration of Settlement Authority in the matter of ANR Construction, LLC versus Ascension Parish Government, 23rd Judicial District Court, Parish of Ascension, Suit No. 122,453, Sec "D"

(11) Adjourn

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