

EAST ASCENSION CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

The meeting of the East Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District #1 Commission was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at the Ascension Parish Court house. The meeting started at approximately 6:17 p.m.

Chairman Petite called the meeting to order and announced all commissioners who were in attendance or absent.

Members Present: Chairman Petite, Vice-Chairman Mason and Commissioners Hillensbeck, Cullen, Varnado, Alonso, Arceneaux, Robert.

Members Absent: Commissioners Melancon, Joseph and Turner.

The invocation was led by Commissioner Arceneaux followed by the Pledge of Allegiance that was recited by all present.

Public Comments Period/ Additions to Agenda-

Chairman Petite opened the floor for public comments and instructed those wishing to speak to present a card to the secretary.

Acceptance of October 8, 2024, meeting minutes-

There was a motion made by Vice-Chairman Mason and a second by Commissioner Varnado. No Objections. Motion Passes.

Chairman's Report/Announcements-

There was none to report.

General Business

Approval of the Professional Selection Committee's recommendation to select the fifteen highest scoring respondents: Hartman Engineering, Inc., CSRS, LLC, Ardurra Group, Inc., Evans-Graves Engineers, Inc., McKim & Creed, Inc., Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc., GIS Engineering, Inc., Neel-Schaffer, Inc., Meyer Engineers, LTD, T. Baker Smith, Infinity Engineering Consultants, LLC, Intracoastal Consultants, LLC, N-Y Associates, Inc., Quality Engineering and Surveying, LLC., and C.H Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC. to enter into a service contract for the RFQ- Drainage Engineering Support (James Buras, Purchasing Director).

There was a motion made by Vice-Chairman Mason and a second by Commissioner Arceneaux. No Objections. Motion Passes.

Approval of Amendment No. 1 with Ascension Parish Government, EACGDD No. 1, and CLM Industries, LLC for Water Based Threat Removal (Trees) from Parish Waterways and replace Ascension Parish Government with EACGDD No. 1, and to extend the contract through July 18, 2025 (Jade Robin, Project Manager).

There was a motion by Vice-Chairman Mason and a second by Commissioner Varnado. No Objections. Motion Passes.

Approval of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the U.S. Geological Survey Lower Mississippi-Gulf Water Science Center and Ascension Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 1 for the operation of (15) real-time stream gauges. This agreement covers the period January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$109,130.00 from Ascension Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 1 and \$33,000.00 from the U.S. Geological Survey, for a combined total of \$142,130.00 (Ron Savoy, Public Works Director).

There was a motion by Vice-Chairman Mason and a second by Commissioner Varnado. No Objections. Motion Passes.

Approval to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between East Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 and Our Lady Of The Holy Rosary Catholic Church for the purpose of replacing a bulkhead that has failed located along a portion New River and Duck Roost Canal (Chase Melancon, Council).

There was an amended motion by Vice-Chairman Mason to add an amount of \$150,000.00. Commissioner Hillensbeck made a motion and a second by Commissioner Alonso. No Objections. Motion Passes.

Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between Ascension Parish Government, the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office and the East Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 for the use and hauling of dirt and materials from various APSO construction locations to the former L'Alumina plant as part of the closure plan outlined in the Intergovernmental Agreement with LDEQ (James Leblanc, Governmental Liason)

There was a motion by Commissioner Hillensbeck and a second by Commissioner Cullen. No Objections. Motion Passes.

Drainage Report

HNTB ADAPT Program/Grant Application and LWI Projects Update:

Mr. Monzon provided a presentation with updates on various capital projects. There was a discussion.

Vice-Chairman Mason made a motion to adjourn.
Commissioner Varnado made a second to the motion.

Adjourn @ 6:28 PM.