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REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASCENSION PARISH COUNCIL

September 18, 2025 - 6:00 PM
ASCENSION PARISH COURTHOUSE
607 E. Worthey St. Gonzales

AGENDA

- (1) **Call To Order / Invocation and Pledge**
- (2) **Roll Call**
- (3) **Chair's Additions**
- (4) **Public Comment Sign- In Period**
- (5) **Presentations:**
 - a. Introduction from Public Service Commissioner Coussan's Office
- (6) **** Board of Review**** - to approve the 2025 Tax Roll and to consider Property Tax Appeals
- (7) **Parish President's Report:**
- (8) **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Adoption of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2025
 - b. Adoption of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2025
 - c. Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and Sorrento Lions Club dba Boucherie Festival Association to assist with marketing and public relations for an annual payment of \$3,500.00 for a period of three (3) years (Rey Prado, President Sorrento Lions Club and Boucherie Festival Association) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - d. Recommendation to take no action on the notice of non-compliance for contacts #20170070-ITE and #20170234-ITE, Mauser USA, LLC and Talon Industrial, LLC (Kate MacArthur, President & CEO Ascension Economic Development Corporation) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - e. Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and the Twenty-Third Judicial District for the Families In Need of Services (FINS) program (Dawn Caballero, Chief Financial Officer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

- f. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Master Contract for Professional Services with Duplantis Design Group, PC for the South Louisiana Fairgrounds Park Upgrades, to extend the contract term to December 31, 2025, retroactive from June 22, 2025. This amendment only extends the term of the contract and does not affect the contract price of \$177,340.00 (Randy Mullis, Director Project Management) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- g. Approval of Change Order No. 4 to the contract with Stricklin and Porter Construction, LLC for the Southwood Park Improvements Project, to add 45 days to their contract due to permit delays in connection with the pre-engineered restroom approval (Randy Mullis, Director Project Management) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- h. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Master Services Contract with Roland J. Robert Distributor, Inc. for the dispensing of on-site, off-site, and bulk delivery of motor fuels. This amendment is to extend the contract term by twelve (12) months for a new expiration date of October 31, 2026. The compensation to the provider shall be per the original contract (Jade Robin, Director Drainage Operations) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- i. Approval to enter into Contract with Primero Services, Inc. dba ServiceMaster Elite Cleaning Services for the cleaning of parish facilities. Contract amount will be per fee schedule (Jason Thompson, Director Facility Management) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- j. Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Master Services Contract for Maintenance Mechanical Support Services with Del-Con, LLC to increase the contract amount by \$35,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$160,000.00 through the end of the contract on December 20, 2025 (Jason Thompson, Director Facility Management) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- k. Approval of the Professional Selection Committee's recommendation to select the three (3) highest scoring respondents: Gulf South Engineering and Testing, Inc., Terracon Consultants, Inc., and Ardaman & Associates, Inc. for the RFQ - Geotechnical Assistance and to authorize the Parish President to enter into Professional Services Contracts (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- l. Approval of Entity/State Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) for the construction of sidewalks along West Worthey Road (H.016083), and approval for Parish President Clint Cointment to execute the Agreement (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- m. Approval of Final Acceptance of the PR 929 Overlay (US 61-Parker Road), State Project H.014642, R.J. Daigle and Sons Contractors, Inc. (Daniel Helms, Chief Transportation Engineer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- n. Approval of Renewal of Legal Services Contract with Larry Buquoi for real estate acquisitions and miscellaneous land-related work for a not to exceed amount of \$50,000.00 (Jean Paul Robert, Parish Attorney) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- o. Approval of Renewal of Legal Services Contract with Ledet Law Group, LLC for Alan Braud vs Ascension Parish Council, Delacey Joseph vs Ascension Parish, and use of his services on any further personnel or employment issues or lawsuits against Ascension Parish Government for a not to exceed amount of \$60,000.00 (Jean Paul Robert, Parish Attorney) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- p. Approval of Renewal of Legal Services Contract with Jeff Diez for legal advice, advisory opinions, counsel and legal assistance on an as-needed, on-call continuing basis for a not to exceed amount of \$90,000.00 (Jean Paul Robert, Parish Attorney) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- q. Approval of Renewal of Legal Services Contract with Stemmans & Alley, PLLC to represent the Parish in insurance litigation, including workers compensation and any

other legal matters for a not to exceed amount of \$45,000.00 (Jean Paul Robert, Parish Attorney) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

- r. Approval to enter into a Contract between Ascension Parish Government and Cypress Roofing, LLC, for the removal and replacement of the roof on the Donaldsonville Utilities Office Building in the amount of \$69,291.38 (Dean Thomason, Project Manager III) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- s. Approval for Parish President Clint Cointment to sign and execute all documents relating to FY 2025-2026 LA 3127 Connector from Hwy 70 to LA 1 FP&C Project #50-J03-25-01 and/or Dawn Caballero, Chief Financial Officer for financial documents (Hermine Edward-Irvin, Director Grants) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

(9) Planning and Zoning Recommendations

- a. Zoning Review ID PZ-3684.25 - for Bert and Tammy Ballard - located on the South side of Abby James Rd. approximately 1075' east of LA Highway 929 to amend the Ascension Parish Zoning Map from Medium Intensity Residential (RM) to Mixed Use 2 (MU2) TO ACCEPT OR DENY RECOMMENDATION - *Zoning Commission recommends DENIAL of this rezone*
- b. Zoning Review ID PZ-3724.25 - Lot 1 for Ty Harvison - located on the south side of LA Highway 42 approximately 270' east of Wirth Evans Road to amend the Ascension Parish Zoning Map from Medium Intensity Residential (RM) to Mixed Use (MU) TO ACCEPT OR DENY RECOMMENDATION *Zoning Commission recommends DENIAL of this rezone*

(10) General Business

- a. Approval of Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Del-Con, LLC for Ascension Parish Governmental Complex Renovations due to unforeseen conditions and additional scope of work, such as additional wood blocking, relocation of electrical feeds and connections and additional wall construction including glass walls and doors, an additional 14 days and \$43,566.00 for completion of work are being added to the contract (Randy Mullis, Director Project Management) *Finance Committee Recommendation and added amount of \$43,566 negotiated after Finance Recommendation Parish President Clint Cointment, Councilman Todd Varnado, Councilman Blaine Petite*
- b. Approval to enter into contract with Primero Services dba ServiceMaster Elite Cleaning Services for cleaning at Lamar Dixon Expo Center at \$19.05 hourly rate with 7% sponsorship (Kyle Rogers, LDEC General Manager) *Parish President Clint Cointment, Councilman Blaine Petite, Councilman Todd Varnado*

(11) Introduction of Ordinances

- a. Introduction of Ordinance -to amend the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 19, Article IV. Transportation Impact Fees, Section 19-50. Exemptions - to exempt Ascension Parish owned facilities and other public agencies (Legal Counsel) *Parish President Clint Cointment, Chairman Chase Melancon, Councilwoman Pam Alonso*

(12) Public Hearings Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)

- a. Reading of Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18- Political Subdivisions - Autonomous Boards, Commissions and Authorities, Article III - Drainage Districts, Section 18-31 West Ascension Gravity Drainage District No. 1 to add Section 18-31.1 Drainage Channels
- b. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to amend the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18- Political Subdivisions - Autonomous Boards, Commissions and Authorities, Article III - Drainage Districts, Section 18-31 West Ascension Gravity Drainage District No. 1 to add Section 18-31.1 Drainage Channels
- c. Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18- Political Subdivisions - Autonomous Boards, Commissions and Authorities, Article III - Drainage Districts, Section 18-31 West Ascension Gravity Drainage District No. 1 to add Section 18-31.1 Drainage Channels

(13) Adjourn

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