### **PROCEEDINGS**

### **OF THE**

#### TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL

## IN REGULAR SESSION

# **SEPTEMBER 10, 2014**

The Chairman, Mr. R. Hornsby, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room. Following the Invocation, offered by Councilman D. Babin, Councilwoman A. Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call, Council Members recorded as present were: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy. G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe were recorded as absent. A quorum was declared present.

The Council Chairman read aloud memos from Councilman G. Hood, Sr. explaining that his absence from tonight's proceeding is due to being out of state on a personal matter, and from Councilwoman B. Amedèe explaining that she is traveling to Tennessee for the Great American Stations Civic Conversation presented by Amtrak.

Councilwoman C. Duplantis-Prather read aloud a memorial and asked everyone in attendance to stand for a brief moment of silence to honor Mr. Robert Charles, a dedicated community activist who advocated for the rights of all people, especially the youths, and founder of the O.N.E./C.H.A.N.E Community-Based Program.

Mr. James Charles, brother of the late Mr. Robert Charles and father of Councilwoman A. Williams, thanked the Council and Administration on behalf of the Charles family for this special recognition.

Mr. Renard Charles, youngest son of the late Mr. Robert Charles, thanked the Council and Administration for this recognition and encouraged everyone to continue in his father's footsteps to make a difference in someone's life.

Several Council members, along with Parish President Michel Claudet, thanked the Charles family for all of their contributions throughout Terrebonne Parish and for sharing their loved one with the community; noting that the late Mr. Robert Charles' legacy will never be forgotten.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather, "THAT, the Council approve the minutes of the Regular Council Session held on 08/13/14."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, "THAT, the Council approve the Parish Bill Lists dated 09/02/14 and 09/08/14."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe. The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Councilman D. Babin read aloud a commendation honoring Ms. Nell Page for her exemplary work as a Houma-Terrebonne community volunteer activist; noting that Ms. Page was not in attendance for tonight's proceeding and that this token of appreciation was presented to one of her peers for acceptance.

Councilman D. Guidry read aloud a proclamation declaring September 20 through 27, 2014 as "National Estuaries Week" in Terrebonne Parish.

Ms. Kristy Monier, Media Relations and Events Coordinator with the Barataria Terrebonne National Estuary (BTNEF) thanked the Council and Administration for this honor and for helping bring awareness to the importance of estuaries; noting that estuaries are vital and/or important for sustaining the Gulf Coast region.

Councilmen D. Guidry and D. Babin thanked Ms. Monier for all of the hard work and dedication that their organization contributes to the Parish of Terrebonne and the Gulf Coast region.

Councilwoman C. Duplantis-Prather read aloud a proclamation declaring September 27 and 28, 2014 as "Best of the Bayou Festival Weekend in Houma-Terrebonne".

Mr. William "Billy" Foster, Chairman of the Best of the Bayou Foundation, along with Committee members Mr. Paul Labat, Mr. Mike Bergeron and Ms. Janelle Ricca thanked the Council and Administration for their continued support and present the Council with the 2014 Annual Best of the Bayou Festival Poster drawn by local artist Ms. Donna Arata.

Mr. Paul Labat, former Terrebonne Parish Council Clerk and Vice-Chairman of the Best of the Bayou Foundation, thanked the Council and Administration for supporting the festival and explained that they are still in need of volunteers; that if anyone is interested, please contact the Chamber of Commerce Office at (985) 876-5600 or anyone of the committee members for information.

Several Council members thanked Mr. Foster and the Best of the Bayou Foundation Committee for a job well done and for always "putting" together a great festival with lots of entertainment and family fun for the citizens of Terrebonne Parish.

Mr. P. Lambert moved, seconded by Mr. D. Guidry, "THAT, it now being 6:38 p.m., the Council open public hearings."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. P. Lambert.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

A. A proposed ordinance to dedicate and accept the maintenance/operations of the street(s), drainage servitudes, gas sewer, and rights-of-way for Sugar Pointe Commercial Park, energize

and accept the street lights, and incorporate the extension of Valhi Boulevard into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System.

There were no comments from the public on the proposed ordinance.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Navy, "THAT, the Council close the aforementioned public hearing."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe. The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. D. Babin. SECONDED BY: Ms. A.Williams.

## ORDINANCE NO. 8458

AN ORDINANCE DEDICATING AND ACCEPTING THE MAINTENANCE/OPERATION OF THE STREET(S), DRAINAGE SERVITUDES, GAS, SEWER, AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR "SUGAR POINTE COMMERCIAL PARK;" ENERGIZE AND ACCEPT THE STREET LIGHTS; AND TO INCORPORATE THE EXTENSION OF "VALHI BOULEVARD" INTO THE ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A BETTER MEANS OF LOCATING ADDRESSES; AND TO SET FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF STREET NAME(S), TO INFORM THE PROPER AGENCIES OF THE STREET NAME(S), AND TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF THE APPROPRIATE STREET SIGN(S), AND TO ADDRESS OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

## **SECTION I**

BE IT ORDAINED that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, dedicates and accepts the maintenance/operation of the street(s), drainage servitudes, gas, sewer, and rights-of-way; and energize and accept the street lights as depicted on a plat, prepared on July 30, 2012, and revised March 12, 2014 by Providence/GSE Associates, Inc. titled "Sugar Pointe Commercial Park", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED effective on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014, that the extension of "Valhi Boulevard" be incorporated into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance be submitted to the Terrebonne Parish Communications Board, local U.S. Postal Services, fire districts, Acadian Ambulance, Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office, and any other appropriate agency; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parish Forces be directed to install the proper street sign on the appropriate street, and that any other actions relative thereto be addressed.

## **SECTION II**

If any word, clause, phrase, section or other portion of this ordinance shall be declared null, void, invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional, the remaining words, clauses, phrases, sections or other portions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect, the provisions of this section hereby being declared to be severable.

This ordinance, having been introduced and laid on the table for at least two weeks, was voted upon as follows:

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

B. A proposed ordinance to dedicate and accept the maintenance/operation of the street, drainage servitude and rights-of-way for Safety Road, and to incorporate into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System.

There were no comments from the public on the proposed ordinance.

Mr. D. Guidry moved, seconded by Mr. J. Navy, "THAT, the Council close the aforementioned public hearing."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Guidry.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe. The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. D. Guidry. SECONDED BY: Mr. D. Babin.

## ORDINANCE NO. 8459

AN ORDINANCE DEDICATING AND ACCEPTING THE MAINTENANCE/OPERATION OF THE STREET(S), DRAINAGE SERVITUDES, AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR "SAFETY ROAD;" AND TO INCORPORATE INTO THE ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A BETTER MEANS OF LOCATING ADDRESSES; AND TO SET FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF STREET NAME(S), TO INFORM THE PROPER AGENCIES OF THE STREET NAME(S), AND TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF THE APPROPRIATE STREET SIGN(S), AND TO ADDRESS OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

## **SECTION I**

BE IT ORDAINED that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, dedicates and accepts the maintenance/operation of the street(s), drainage servitudes, and rights-of-way; as depicted on a plat, prepared on June 3, 2013, and revised March 31, 2014 by David A. Waitz Engineering & Surveying, Inc. titled "Safety Road", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED effective on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014, that the extension of "Safety Road" be incorporated into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance be submitted to the Terrebonne Parish Communications Board, local U.S. Postal Services, fire districts, Acadian Ambulance, Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office, and any other appropriate agency; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parish Forces be directed to install the proper street sign on the appropriate street, and that any other actions relative thereto be addressed.

#### **SECTION II**

If any word, clause, phrase, section or other portion of this ordinance shall be declared null, void, invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional, the remaining words, clauses, phrases, sections or other portions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect, the provisions of this section hereby being declared to be severable.

This ordinance, having been introduced and laid on the table for at least two weeks, was voted upon as follows:

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

C. A proposed ordinance to dedicate and accept the maintenance/operation of the street(s), drainage servitudes, and right-of-way for Government Street and the extension of Olympian Offshore Lane, energize and accept the street lights, and incorporate into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System.

There were no comments from the public on the proposed ordinance.

Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather, "THAT, the Council close the aforementioned public hearing."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe. The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

SECONDED BY: Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

## ORDINANCE NO. 8460

AN ORDINANCE DEDICATING AND ACCEPTING THE MAINTENANCE/OPERATION OF THE STREET(S), DRAINAGE SERVITUDES, AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR "GOVERNMENT STREET" AND THE EXTENSION OF "OLYMPIAN OFFSHORE LANE;" ENERGIZE AND ACCEPT THE STREET LIGHTS; AND TO INCORPORATE INTO THE ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A BETTER MEANS OF LOCATING ADDRESSES; AND TO SET FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF STREET NAME(S), TO INFORM THE PROPER AGENCIES OF THE STREET NAME(S), AND TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF THE APPROPRIATE STREET SIGN(S), AND TO ADDRESS OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

### **SECTION I**

BE IT ORDAINED that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, dedicates and accepts the maintenance/operation of the street(s), drainage servitudes, and rights-of-way; and energize and accept the street lights as depicted on a plat, prepared on February 4, 2014, and revised April 10, 2014 by Milford & Associates, Inc. titled "TPCG North Campus", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED effective on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014, that "Government Street" and the extension of "Olympian Offshore Lane" be incorporated into the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance be submitted to the Terrebonne Parish Communications Board, local U.S. Postal Services, fire districts, Acadian Ambulance, Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office, and any other appropriate agency; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parish Forces be directed to install the proper street sign on the appropriate street, and that any other actions relative thereto be addressed.

### **SECTION II**

If any word, clause, phrase, section or other portion of this ordinance shall be declared null, void, invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional, the remaining words, clauses, phrases, sections or other portions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect, the provisions of this section hereby being declared to be severable.

This ordinance, having been introduced and laid on the table for at least two weeks, was voted upon as follows:

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

D. A proposed ordinance to authorize the Parish President to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement and Act of Reversion with the Terrebonne Parish School Board for the Houma Elementary School Property near Point and Grinage Streets.

Ms. Linda Thibodaux, a life-long resident of Houma, thanked the Council and Administration for restoring this area of Terrebonne Parish and for their continued partnership with HRI. She explained that she is delighted about this up-coming project and expressed that this is a wonderful idea.

Councilman J. Navy and Councilwoman A. Williams commended Ms. Thibodaux for her willingness to express her gratitude for the work that is being done to restore Terrebonne Parish.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Navy, "THAT, the Council close the aforementioned public hearing."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe. The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. J. Navy.

SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

# ORDINANCE NO. 8461

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT AND ACT OF REVERSION WITH THE TEREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE HOUMA ELEMENTARY PROPERTY

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 33:1324, also known as the Local Services Act, provides that any parish or political subdivision of the state may make agreements between or among themselves to engage jointly in the acquisition or improvement of any public project or improvement provided that at least one of the participants to the agreement is authorized under a provision of law to perform such activity for completion of the undertaking; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-11(12) of the Terrebonne Parish Charter requires an ordinance to acquire real property on behalf of the Parish Government; and

WHEREAS, the TPSB acquired the site of the old Houma elementary school by act of donation from the Terrebonne Police Jury on October 4, 1910; the act of donation included a provision requiring the reversion of the school site property to the police jury should the property no longer be used for public school educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, TPSB acknowledges that the school site is no longer needed for educational purposes and thus, pursuant to the original act of donation, reverts back to the Parish of Terrebonne via its governing authority the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government; and

WHEREAS, TPCG appears herein to accept this reversion and to assume custody and control of the herein described property; and

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and the Terrebonne Parish School Board find that entering into this intergovernmental agreement and reversion will have a public benefit; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government:

#### SECTION I

The Parish President, Michel Claudet, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement and Act of Reversion, prepared by the Office of the Parish Attorney regarding the property described in the attached legal description ("Exhibit A"), and any other necessary legal documents.

### **SECTION II**

If any word, clause, phrase, section or other portion of this ordinance shall be declared null, void, invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the remaining words, clauses, phrases, sections and other portions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect, the provisions of this ordinance hereby being declared to be severable.

This ordinance, having been introduced and laid on the table for at least two weeks, was voted upon as follows:

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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### **EXHIBIT A**

First a certain tract of land, situated in the Parish of Terrebonne, in the town of Houma, having a width of one and one-half arpent by depth as exists between the prolongation of the North line of Point Street and the South line of the Joseph Hache Grant; bounded North by the

prolongation of the North line of Point Street, by the line of said Grant, West by Grinage Street and East by property herein secondly described below; being a portion of the property donated by the late R.R. Barrow to the Archbishop of New Orleans and his successors.

Second: Another tract of land, situated in said Town and Parish having a width of one arpent by such depth as exists between the prolongation of the North line of Point Street and South line of the Joseph Hache Grant; bounded North by the prolongation of the North line of said Point Street, South by the South line of said Joseph Hache Grant, East by Goode Street and West by tract firmly described herein.

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Mr. P. Lambert moved, seconded by Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather, "THAT, the Council continue with the regular order of business."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. P. Lambert.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather, "THAT, the Council authorize TPCG to co-sponsor security for the YMCA "Macho Man Triathlon" to be held on Sunday, September 21, 2014."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Daniel J. Babin and seconded by Mr. John

Navy:

# **RESOLUTION NO. 14-410**

A resolution approving the holding of an election in Fire Protection District No. 4-A of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, December 6, 2014, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 4-A of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. 4-A of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on September 2, 2014, calling a special election in the District on Saturday, December 6, 2014, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District has requested that this Parish Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Parish Council to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of

Fire Protection District No. 4-A of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, this Parish Council hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at which election there will be submitted the following proposition, to-wit:

### MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall Fire Protection District No. 4-A of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "District"), be authorized to levy and collect a special tax of seventeen and eighty-seven hundredths (17.87) mills on all property subject to taxation in said District, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2015 and ending with the year 2024 (an estimated \$1,060,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating the District's fire protection and emergency medical service facilities, for purchasing fire trucks and other fire fighting or emergency medical service equipment and paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service, said millage to be levied in lieu of and replace a existing five and seventy-one hundredths (5.71) mills tax authorized to be levied in the District through the year 2023, at an election held on November 6, 2012, and a nine and sixty-three hundredths (9.63) mills tax authorized to be levied in the District through the year 2021, at an election held on October 2, 2010?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Parish Council does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Arlanda J. Williams, Greg Hood, Sr., Beryl Amedee, Christa Duplantis-Prather, Russell Hornsby, Daniel J. Babin, Dirk Guidry, Pete Lambert and John Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. D. Babin.

SECONDED BY: Mr. D. Guidry & Ms. A. Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-411

A resolution declaring the necessity for emergency action pursuant to the authority set forth in LSA R.S. 38:2212(D) to address the repairs to the Dulac Pontoon Bridge which requires immediate action to correct. Such emergency action includes replacement of the damaged components of the hydraulic winch.

WHEREAS, the Dulac Pontoon Bridge was recently inspected by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government Road and Bridge Division, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works requested the professional service of the Cross Group to perform an inspection and noted mechanical deficiencies with the hydraulic winch, and

WHEREAS, this condition required a temporary closure of the bridge to vehicular traffic until price quotes were obtained, and

WHEREAS, the temporary closure of the Dulac Pontoon Bridge to vehicular traffic restricts access of emergency, commercial and residential vehicles, threatening the economy, lives and property of area residents of Terrebonne Parish, and

WHEREAS, Cross Group has submitted a cost estimate in the amount of \$30,000, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends the repair be awarded to the Cross Group in the amount of \$30,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby declare the repairs to the Dulac Pontoon Bridge as an emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michel H. Claudet, Parish President, be authorized to take whatever action is necessary and to sign on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government any contracts and / or amendments necessary to complete the emergency actions needed to repair the Dulac Pontoon Bridge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all provisions of this resolution be contingent upon the approval of the Parish Legal Department.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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The Council Chairman recognized Councilwoman A. Williams who presented to the Council and Administration the 2014-2015 Youth Advisory Council Executive Officers and they are as follows: Sasha Patterson, YAC President; Tyler Legnon, YAC Vice-President; Hayden Robichaux, YAC Treasurer and Mallory Robichaux, YAC Secretary. The Youth Advisory Council thanked the Council for being their role models, for providing positive examples of leadership and for all of the work that they do for the Parish of Terrebonne; noting that they will address the Council in the near future with an annual report.

Councilmen J. Navy and D. Babin congratulated the youths for being part of such a "fine" organization and for being the voice and/or leaders of the future.

Councilman R. Hornsby read a proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2014 as "Constitution Week in Houma-Terrebonne".

Ms. Rena Labat, along with Ms. Jo Anne Plessala, members of the Bayou Lafourche Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), thanked the Council and Administration for this honor along with giving a brief overview of the history of the DAR organization. Ms. Labat encouraged the citizens of Terrebonne Parish to help celebrate Constitution Week by flying flags in the front of their homes and businesses.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Pete Lambert and seconded by Mr. Dirk Guidry:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 14-412**

A resolution approving the holding of an election in Recreation District No. 6 of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, December 6, 2014, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds and the levy of a special tax therein.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Recreation District No. 6 of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Recreation District No. 6 of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "District"), adopted a resolution on September 9, 2014, calling a special election in the District on Saturday, December 6, 2014, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds and the levy of a special tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the District has requested that this Parish Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, give its consent and authority for the District to hold the aforesaid election, and in the event that the election carries to issue, sell and deliver the bonds and to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Parish Council to approve the holding of said election and in the event that the election carries, to issue, sell and deliver the bonds and to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Commissioners of Recreation District No. 6 of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, this Parish Council hereby approves the holding of an election in the District, on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at which election there will be submitted the following propositions, to-wit:

### **BOND PROPOSITION**

Shall Recreation District No. 6 of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "District"), incur debt and issue bonds to an amount not exceeding Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000), to run not exceeding fifteen (15) years from the date thereof, with interest at a rate or rates not exceeding eight percent (8%) per annum to be sold at par, premium or discount, for the purpose of purchasing, acquiring, constructing and improving parks, playgrounds, recreation centers and other recreational facilities, together with the necessary furnishings and equipment therefor, title to which shall be in the public, which bonds will be general obligations of the District and will be payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected in the manner provided by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and statutory authority supplemental thereto, with an estimated one and twenty-five hundredths (1.25) mills to be levied in the first year of issue to pay said Bonds?

#### MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall Recreation District No. 6 of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "District"), levy and collect a special tax of fifteen (15) mills on all property subject to taxation in said District (an estimated \$710,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2018 and ending with the year 2027, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating recreation facilities for said District, including the purchase of equipment therefor?

SECTION 2. In the event the election carries, this Parish Council does hereby further consent to and authorize the District to issue, sell and deliver the bonds and to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Arlanda J. Williams, Christa Duplantis-Prather, Russell Hornsby, Daniel J. Babin, Dirk Guidry, Pete Lambert and John Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Greg Hood, Sr. and Beryl Amedee.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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Under Agenda Item 2A – Public Wishing to Address the Council (No speaker cards were submitted as of agenda deadline).

The Chairman called for a report on the Budget and Finance Committee meeting held on 09/08/14, whereupon the Committee Chairman noting ratification of minutes calls public hearings on 09/24/14 rendered the following:

## **BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

## **SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

The Chairman, John Navy, called the Budget & Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p. m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with an Invocation offered by R. Hornsby and the Pledge of Allegiance by D. Babin. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, and J. Navy. Committee Members B. Amedee, Capt. G. Hood, Sr., and A. Williams were recorded as absent. A quorum was declared present.

The Chairman acknowledged the absences of Committee Members B. Amedee (late appointment), G. Hood, Sr. (personal matter), and A. Williams (late arrival).

OFFERED BY: Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

SECONDED BY: Mr. D. Guidry.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-413

WHEREAS, sealed quotations were obtained by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government Purchasing Division for the purpose of performing all work (labor, materials and equipment) necessary for and incidental to the demolition and removal of the condemned property located at 127 Third Street in Houma, and

WHEREAS, after careful review by Pat Gordon, Director of Planning and Zoning, it has been determined that the total price of Thirty-four Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars (\$34,900.00) from American Disposal, LLC for the above referenced demolition services should be accepted per the attached documents, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has recommended the acceptance of the price for the aforementioned demolition services at a total cost of Thirty-four Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars (\$34,900.00) as per the attached documents, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLOVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of the Parish Administration be approved and that the quotation for the aforementioned demolition services be accepted as per the attached forms.

# THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams, G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Llambert. SECONDED BY: Mr. D. Babin.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-414

WHEREAS, sealed quotations were obtained by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government Purchasing Division for the purpose of performing all work (labor, materials and equipment) necessary for and incidental to the demolition and removal of the condemned property located at 116 Presque Isle Drive in Houma, and

WHEREAS, after careful review by Pat Gordon, Director of Planning and Zoning, it has been determined that the total price of Thirty-six Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars (\$36,800.00) from D. Levron Contractors, LLC for the above referenced demolition services should be accepted per the bid documents, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has recommended the acceptance of the price for the aforementioned demolition services at a total cost of Thirty-six Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars (\$36,800.00) as per bid documents, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLOVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of the Parish Administration be approved and that the quotation for the aforementioned demolition services be accepted as per bid forms.

### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams, G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

SECONDED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-415** 

A resolution to amend resolution 14-372 to include the purchase of additional attachments for the state contract purchase of one (1) Compact Track Loader 323E

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2014 the Budget and Finance Committee adopted Resolution No. 14-372 for the aforementioned state contract purchase, and

WHEREAS, prices were obtained through the Louisiana State Commodity Catalog by Solid Waste Division of the Utilities Department for the purpose of purchasing One (1) John Deere Compact Track Loader 323E under Louisiana Statewide Contract #409596 for Industrial Equipment, Accessories and Parts, and

WHEREAS, careful review by Clay Naquin, Solid Waste Administrator it was determined that the request for purchase should have included a 72" angle broom in the amount of Five Thousand, One Hundred Sixty Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$5,160.80) and a 72" scrap grapple bucket (GS72) in the amount of Three Thousand, Three Hundred Six Dollars and Forty Cents (\$3,306.40), and

WHEREAS, Parish Administration has concurred with the recommendation that Resolution No. 14-372 be amended to reflect the addition of the 72" angle broom and 72" scrap grapple bucket as per the attached documents, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of the Parish Administration be approved and the purchase of the additional attachments for the track loader be accepted

### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams, G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. D. Guidry.

SECONDED BY: Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

## RESOLUTION NO. 14-416

WHEREAS, prices were obtained through the Louisiana State Commodity Catalog by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for the purpose of purchasing one (1) ½ Ton, Crew Cab, 2WD, Bi-Fuel = CNG & Gas, with 6.7' Box Pick-up Truck (2014 F-150) for the Public Transit Division, Public Works Department under State Contract #409705, and

WHEREAS, after careful review by Philip Liner, Public Transit Division Administrator and Gregory Bush, Public Works Director it has been determined that the price of Thirty-five Thousand, One Hundred Eighty-one Dollars and Eighty-two Cents (\$35,181.82) from Terrebonne Motor Company, Inc. for the purchase of one (1) ½ Ton, Crew Cab, 2WD, Bi-Fuel = CNG & Gas, with 6.7' Box Pick-up Truck (2014 F-150) should be accepted as per the State Contract Vehicle Catalog and under the provisions set forth in the Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 39:1710, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has recommended the acceptance of the price for the aforementioned vehicle purchase at a cost of Thirty-five Thousand, One Hundred Eighty-one Dollars and Eighty-two Cents (\$35,181.82) as per the State Purchasing Contract Catalog.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Budget and Finance Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of the Parish Administration be approved and that the purchase of the vehicle be accepted.

## THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams, G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedee.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, the Budget & Finance Committee introduce an ordinance to amend the 2014 Adopted Operating Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for the following items:

- I. Wind Retrofit Project Police Department \$366,000.00
- II. Falgout Canal Pontoon Bridge \$1,300,000.00
- III. Market Value Improvements:
  - a. Capital Projects Control Fund \$287,843.00
  - b. 2005 Sales Tax Construction Fund \$213,274.00
  - c. Capital Improvement Bond Reserve Fund \$146,302.00
- IV. Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) 2014 Award \$19,429.00

and call a public hearing on said matter on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 6:30 p. m."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, and J. Navy. NAYS: None.

ABSENT: B. Amedee, G. Hood, Sr., and A. Williams.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. D. Guidry, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Budget & Finance Committee, the meeting be adjourned."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, and J. Navy.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: B. Amedee, G. Hood, Sr., and A. Williams.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p. m.

John Navy, Chairman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Mr. J. Navy moved, seconded by Mr. D. Babin, "THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Budget and Finance Committee meeting held on 09/08/14."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Navy.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairman called for a report on the Policy, Procedure and Legal Committee meeting held on 09/08/14, whereupon the Committee Chairwoman rendered the following:

## POLICY, PROCEDURE, & LEGAL COMMITTEE

## **SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

The Chairwoman, Arlanda J. Williams, called the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee meeting to order at 5:37 p. m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with an Invocation offered by J. Navy and the Pledge of Allegiance led by D. Babin. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: B. Amedée, D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams. Committee Member B. Amedée (late appointment) and Capt. G. Hood, Sr., HPD Ret., were recorded as absent. A quorum was declared present.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. R. Hornsby and Mr. D. Babin, "THAT, the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee authorize TPCG to co-sponsor the United Houma Nations' 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Pow-Wow on Saturday, September 20 and 21, 2014 at the Houma Airbase Arena."

The Chairwoman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: B. Amedee and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee authorize TPCG to co-sponsor the Knights of Columbus Fair in Dularge on October 17 - 20, 2014."

The Chairwoman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: B. Amedee and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Navy and Mr. R. Hornsby, "THAT, the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee authorize TPCG to co-sponsor the NAACP and the NAACP Youth Council Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration on January 16, 17, 18, and 19, 2015 at the Dumas Auditorium."

The Chairwoman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: B. Amedee and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Policy, Procedure, & Legal Committee, the meeting be adjourned."

The Chairwoman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: B. Amedee and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairwoman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Arlanda J. Williams, Chairwoman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. D. Babin, "THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Policy, Procedure and Legal Committee meeting held on 09/18/14."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairman called for a report on the Public Services Committee meeting held on 09/08/14, whereupon the Committee Chairman rendered the following:

#### PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

# **SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

The Chairman, Daniel Babin, called the Public Services Committee meeting to order at 5:45 p. m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with an Invocation led by J. Navy and the Pledge of Allegiance by P. Lambert. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams. Capt. G. Hood, Sr., HPD Ret., was recorded as absent and Committee Member B. Amedée entered the proceedings at 5:49 p. m. A quorum was declared present.

The Chairman acknowledged the absence of Committee Member G. Hood, Sr. due to a personal matter.

Committee Member J. Navy informed the committee of the submission of a proposed ordinance, as prepared by the Legal Department, to address: the disposal and the illegal dumping of grass, trash, furniture, concrete, etc. in drainage arteries and canals in addition to overgrown grass and vegetation obstructing the drainage flow. Mr. Navy requested that Parish President Michel H. Claudet contact the State of Louisiana regarding the maintenance and cutting of grass within its rights-of-way, canals, bayous, and ditches.

Parish Attorney Courtney Alcock stated that the proposed ordinance amends "Section 14-208: Nuisance warnings; forms; required contents; form of service" of the Parish Code nuisance abatement provisions in order to remove the issuance of warning notices for littering violations and establish a \$500.00 fine for each violation.

Committee Member B. Amedee entered the proceedings at this time.

Ms. Alcock continued that the proposed ordinance also amends "Section 22-187: Obstruction of drainage arteries prohibited" of the Parish Code with regards to drainage obstructions to establish a \$500.00 fine for violations.

Mr. J. Navy moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, "THAT, the Public Services Committee introduce an ordinance to amend Section 22-187, Section 14-208, Section 14-219 and Section 14-46 to enhance penalties for littering and drainage artery obstruction and call a public hearing on said matter Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 6:30 p. m." (\*\*MOTION ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Committee Member D. Guidry requested statistics relative to the number of citations issued for littering violations by the Houma Police Department and the Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office. He noted that the actual problem may be enforcement of existing laws by law enforcement personnel.

Committee Member J. Navy expressed his concern with regards to the State not addressing drainage maintenance and grass cutting issues for locations under its auspices. He added that he has received numerous complaints from the citizenry of Terrebonne Parish regarding the derelict behavior of the State.

Committee Member D. Guidry interjected that he fought for seven (7) weeks to get the State to address water lilies in the bayous of Little Caillou and reiterated that the State needs to be held accountable.

Committee Member A. Williams suggested that the Parish fine the State of Louisiana for not maintaining its drainage arteries, bayous, rights-of-way, etc. under the Parish Nuisance Abatement provisions and, if derelict maintenance continues and fines are not paid, the Parish should file for a judgment.

Committee Member C. Duplantis-Prather noted that she has had the similar issues in getting the State to address concerns within District 5, especially, near the Intracoastal Canal.

Committee Member J. Navy requested that the Legal Department investigate legal remedies afforded to the Parish to address the derelict behavior of the State.

\*\*The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. J. Navy.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: B. Amedee, D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams. SECONDED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-417** 

WHEREAS, each year, a Road Maintenance Priority List is adopted by the Parish Government as a requirement to receive allocations from the State Transportation Trust Fund, and

WHEREAS, this list includes the length and width of a roadway, District in which the road or street is located, Priority Rating and other pertinent information, and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has devised a 2013 Road Maintenance Priority List, to be adopted in 2014, for review by the Council.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2013 Road Maintenance Priority List prepared by the Parish Administration be accepted and approved as submitted.

### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, A. Williams, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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The Chairman noted that the aforementioned matter was previously delayed in order to allow Administration to amend the aforementioned list to include four (4) roads on the Houma Airbase.

OFFERED BY: Ms. A. Williams. SECONDED BY: Mr. R. Hornsby.

## RESOLUTION NO. 14-418

A resolution awarding and authorizing the signing of the Construction Contract for Parish Project No. 13-LNDFL-54. Ashland Solid Waste Pickup Facility Weigh Scales and Administration Building, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and authorizing issuance of Notice to Proceed

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government did receive construction bids on August 12, 2014 for Parish Project No. 13-LNDFL-54. Ashland Solid Waste Pickup Facility Weigh Scales and Administration Building, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana and

WHEREAS, Bonneval Construction Company, Inc. submitted a bid in the amount of One Million, Three Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$1,329,929.48), and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, awards the construction contract to Bonneval Construction Company, Inc., in the bid amount of One Million, Three Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$1,329,929.48), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish President be authorized and empowered to sign a construction contract for and on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with Bonneval Construction Company, Inc, upon receipt of the performance bond in the amount of the contract price.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of required certificates of insurance evidencing coverage as provided in the the project specifications and upon execution and

recordation of all contract documents, that the Engineer is hereby authorized to issue the Notice to Proceed to the Contractor to commence construction of the project.

### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, A. Williams, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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The Chairman added that the aforementioned project was re-bid and received lower bids.

OFFERED BY: Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

SECONDED BY: Mr. R. Hornsby.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-419

A resolution awarding and authorizing the signing of the construction Contract for Parish Project No. 14-PKG-01, Houma Downtown Parking Lot - Ellender, Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and authorizing the issuance of the Notice to Proceed.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government did receive construction bids on Parish Project No. 14-PKG-01, Houma Downtown Parking Lot - Ellender, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and,

WHEREAS, the lowest and best bid was that submitted by Gray Construction Corp., in the bid amount of \$176,430.00, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government award the construction contract to Gray Construction Corp., in the overall amount of \$176,430.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to sign a construction contract for and on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with Gray Construction Corp., upon receipt of the performance bond in the amount of the contract price, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon receipt of required certificates of insurance evidencing coverage as provided in the project specifications and upon execution and recordation of all contract documents, that the Engineer is hereby authorized to issue the Notice to Proceed to the Contractor to commence construction of the project, and

### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, A. Williams, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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Parish President Michel H. Claudet stated that Administration has removed the RGS parking lot slab across from the Ellender parking lot; that the parking lot has been re-paved; and that the lot will be re-painted to provide additional parking spots. He continued that after the conclusion of the "Best of the Bayou Festival", the Ellender parking lot will be re-paved and the Tree Board will provide landscaping for the lot. President Claudet added that once the

aforementioned projects are finished, Administration will accept bids for a walkway behind LePetit de Terrebonne Theatre and noted that Tree Board will also provided landscaping for this location.

The Chairman noted that the aforementioned project received bids which were lower than the budget allocation.

OFFERED BY: Mr. R. Hornsby. SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-420** 

A resolution providing for the ratification of the appointment by Parish President Michel Claudet of the firm of Providence/GSE Associates, LLC to provide engineering services for the Ellendale Levee Rehab Project, and also authorizing Parish President Michel Claudet to execute the appropriate engineering contract documents for this project.

WHEREAS, the existing Ellendale Levee system has started to slough and become unstable, and

WHEREAS, Terrebonne Parish wishes to rehabilitate the levee system to prevent future sloughs, and

WHEREAS, Parish President Michel Claudet has recommended that the firm of Providence/GSE Associates, LLC be retained to provide the necessary professional services for this project, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the Parish President Michel Claudet be ratified and that the engineering firm of Providence/GSE Associates, LLC be retained to provide the necessary professional services for the Ellendale Levee Rehab Project, and that Parish President Michel Claudet be authorized to execute any and all documents with said firm for this project.

## THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, A. Williams, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. D. Guidry.

SECONDED BY: Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-421

A resolution providing approval of Amendment No.4 to the Engineering Agreement for Parish Project No. 10-SEW-97, Wetland Assimilation Compliance Monitoring and Permitting, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government did enter into an original engineering agreement with Providence Engineering and Environmental Group LLC dated February 24, 2011, for the Wetland Assimilation Compliance Monitoring and Permitting identified as Parish Project No. 10-SEW-97, and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Agreement between OWNER and ENGINEER provides for certain limitations for Basic Services, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government is desirous of continuing the compliance monitoring for the wetland assimilation permit, and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the engineering agreement is required to increase the Basic Services by \$19,000.00 so that the water quality and plant growth can be monitored, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby approve this Amendment No. 4 to the Engineering Agreement and authorizes Parish President Michel Claudet to execute this Amendment No. 4 to the Engineering Agreement for the Wetland Assimilation Compliance Monitoring and Permitting Parish Project No. 10-SEW-97, with Providence Engineering and Environmental Group LLC and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, Providence Engineering and Environmental Group LLC.

### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, A. Williams, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather.

SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-422

A resolution providing for the acceptance of work performed by Hawkmoon Construction Services, LLC in accordance with the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Parish Project No. 13-SEW-23, Relocation of Sewer Force Mains for Bergeron and Duet Sewer Lift Stations, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government entered into a contract dated June 9, 2014, with Hawkmoon Construction Services, LLC, Recordation Number 1455555, for Parish Project No. 13-SEW-23, Relocation of Sewer Force Mains for Bergeron and Duet Sewer Lift Stations, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, the work performed has been inspected by authorized representatives of the Owner, Engineer and Contractor and found to be substantially complete, and

WHEREAS, the Engineer for this project, Providence/GSE Associates, LLC, recommends the acceptance of the substantial completion, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby accept the work performed, effective as of the date of recording of this resolution, and does authorize and direct the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages of Terrebonne Parish to note this acceptance thereof in the margin of the inscription of said contract under Entry No. 1455555 of the Records of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineer, Providence/GSE Associates, LLC, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court of Terrebonne Parish to commence a 45-day clear lien period, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration is authorized to make payment of retainage upon the presentation of a Clear Lien Certificate.

### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, A. Williams, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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The Chairman noted that there is a minor punch list for the aforementioned project.

Committee Member C. Duplantis-Prather exited the proceedings at 6:03 p. m.

OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Lambert. SECONDED BY: Ms. A. Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-423

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government performs annual bridge inspections in accordance with the Federal Off System Bridge Program, and

WHEREAS, the Mayfield Bridge #2 located on Mayfield Road in Dulac has been structurally inspected by the Huval Engineering Firm, and

WHEREAS, the Engineer's report has noted structural issues with exposed rebar beneath the concrete deck panels, and

WHEREAS, these conditions require a temporary reduction of the bridge's weight limit, and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has recommended the weight limit be reduced from HS25-40 Tons to 15 Tons until repairs are complete.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Public Services Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the maximum weight limit for the Mayfield Bridge #2 be posted at 15 Tons until repairs to the structure are complete.

## THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, A. Williams, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Public Services Committee, the meeting be adjourned."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: B. Amedee, D. Babin, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: C. Duplantis-Prather and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p. m.

Daniel Babin, Chairman

Suzette Thomas, Minute Clerk

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Navy, "THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting held on 09/08/14."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairman called for a report on the Community Development and Planning Committee meeting held on 09/08/14, whereupon the Committee Chairman noting ratification of minutes calls public hearings on 09/24/14 rendered the following:

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE

# **SEPTEMBER 8, 2014**

The Chairman, Dirk Guidry, called the Community Development & Planning Committee meeting to order at 6:07 p. m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with an Invocation offered by C. Duplantis-Prather and the Pledge of Allegiance by J. Navy. Upon roll call, Committee Members recorded as present were: B. Amedee, D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, J. Navy, and A. Williams. Capt. G. Hood, Sr., HPD Ret., was recorded as absent due to a personal matter. A quorum was declared present.

Mr. R. Hornsby moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, "THAT, the Community Development & Planning Committee grant a variance from Parish standards for the construction of a gazebo over a right-of-way servitude located at 408 Port Royal Way, applicant Michael Nguyen." (\*\*SUBSTITUTE MOTION OFFERED AND LATER WITHDRAWN; SECOND SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO RETAIN ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Parish President Michel H. Claudet requested that Council Clerk Charlette Poche display photographs of the proposed gazebo location at 408 Port Royal Way (the photos could not be displayed). He then explained that the Mr. Nguyen is requesting to construct a gazebo near a pond similar to the gazebo located at 253 Sierra Drive, Houma (District 3). President Claudet continued that Administration recently received complaints regarding vegetative growth in the pond on Sierra Drive; that when Administration attempted to clear the location, access to the location could not be gained due to structures being constructed in the Parish rights-of-way; and that Administration, ultimately, spoke with a neighbor regarding access and was granted permission to access and spray the pond. He then requested that Public Works Director Lt. Col. (Ret.) Greg Bush explain Administration's denial of the request for a variance.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush explained that Administration had three (3) 20 ft. wide servitudes along Sierra Drive for maintenance access to the pond; that a resident constructed fence across the first servitude in addition to a shed; that on the second servitude, the resident also constructed a fence and placed a shed behind it; and on the last servitude, the resident planted shrubbery and trees in the servitude. He continued that all remaining residents constructed their fences up to the servitude thereby preventing access to the pond. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that Administration bore the cost of removing and re-erecting a residential fence, renting two (2) boats, paying two men to spray the pond, and the cost of spraying the pond. He noted these are additional costs borne by the Parish when there is no access available to the servitudes for normal maintenance purposes and for emergency measures access allows the Parish to access locations quickly. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush added that when access is not quickly available, residences are prone to flooding or other problems due to the obstructions; that the Port Royal Way location contains a large pond which is part of the servitude and 20 ft. on the top bank on

every bodies' property; that 20 ft. is designed to allow Administration to inspect everyone's property to determine if there is slough off or when the land is falling into the pond; that when obstructions are constructed the opportunity to inspection locations and to spray the pond is lost; and that obstruction prevent access.

President Claudet requested that Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush explained why Administration had to dig property for retention around the Douglas Drive area due to obstructions along the servitude. He continued that the plat of the subdivision depicts the servitude obstructions.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush confirmed the aforementioned comments and noted that Administration's policy since 2008 has been no encroachments unless there is an extreme hardship to the owner. He added that at the Port Royal Way location there is no extreme hardship to the owner.

President Claudet stated that the owner should have known of the servitude because it was depicted on the plat and reiterated that Administration needs access to Parish servitudes.

Mr. D. Babin offered a *substitute motion*, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, "THAT, the Community Development & Planning Committee grant a variance from Parish standards to permit the construction of a gazebo at 408 Port Royal Way and that the fence at said location be move to the 20 ft. servitude." (\*\*SUBSTITUTE MOTION WITHDRAWN LATER IN DISCUSSION; SECOND SUBTITUTE MOTION TO RETAIN ADOPTED)

Committee Member R. Hornsby interjected that Mr. Nguyen could have constructed the gazebo without requesting permission and no one would have known about the construction. He continued that Mr. Nguyen has expended money for the gazebo which has been partially constructed; that a permit has been obtained; and that he is willing to sign a hold harmless agreement, grant access to the pond, and incur the expense of removing the fence, if necessary.

Committee Member B. Amedee inquired about the Parish recouping any of the expended funds for the Sierra Drive location; whether maintenance can be completed from a boat; if there is a barge small enough to be launch into the Port Royal Way pond; if the fences and bulkhead going to the water encroach upon the servitude; could maintenance be performed if the fence were moved back; whether arbitrary and capricious application of granting variances would be a problem if other residents were denied the ability to be granted a variance; and whether the residents can take over maintenance of the pond;

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that Administration has not recovered any funding; explained that a barge is needed to perform maintenance on the Port Royal Way pond; that the expense increases because dirt would have to be trucked from the site; that there is only a 50 ft. servitude the entrance and that the actual opening is 12 to 14 ft.; that a marsh buggy could not be used either; that the fence and bulkhead are encroaching upon the servitude; however, a Letter of No Objection was issued for the bulkhead because cuts the Parish's maintenance cost down due to it keeping the soil in place and adds to the stability of the soil; that the bulkhead does not change the hydrologic design of the pond; that Administration can work around the gazebo if the fence were moved back to the servitude; however, it could not do so if all the residences constructed fences or buildings on the servitude; and that he does not know if it possible for residents to take over maintenance of the pond.

Parish Attorney Courtney Alcock stated that a determination would need to be made with regards to the pond receiving public waters and if so, a contract could be administered to allow residents to maintain the pond, drainage, and the surrounding land owners would have to sign a document an agreement, and that the dedication of the pond would need to be reviewed. She noted that the process would be difficult and it was not advisable.

Committee Member B. Amedee stated that she is not in favor of any of the motions currently on the floor and that she does not see any hardship for granting the variance. She noted that by granting variance, the Committee would be placing obstacles in the way of Administration doing its job.

Committee Member J. Navy expressed his concern with regards to the granting the aforementioned variance hindering Administration from completing its maintenance work.

Committee Member A. Williams exited the proceedings at 6:32 p. m.

Committee Member D. Babin noted that it is the responsibility of realtors to inform purchasers of servitude dedications.

Discussion transpired relative to the aforementioned matter needing to be voted upon this evening.

Committee Member D. Babin withdrew the *substitute motion*.

Mr. D. Babin offered a *second substitute motion*, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, the Community Development & Planning retain, for two weeks, the matter relative to granting variance from Parish standards for a gazebo to be constructed over a servitude at 408 Port Royal Way." (\*\*SECOND SUBSTITUTE MOTION ADOPTED AFTER ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION)

Additional discussion ensued relative to the fence at 408 Port Royal Way encroaching upon the Parish's servitude and the expenses borne by the Parish to rectify situations when the occur.

In response to questioning, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that the Parish bore the cost for removing and re-erecting the fence on Sierra Drive because it was determined that the obstruction existed for more than three years and no action to correct the problem within that time was taken.

Committee Member R. Hornsby requested additional time to discuss the matter further with Mr. Nguyen to determine if a right-of-way agreement can be granted.

The Chairman inquired about the costs borne by Administration due to residents illegally constructing structures/fences in Parish rights-of-way when there is no statute of limitation to address violations of Parish provisions.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bush stated that the Legal Department devises hold harmless agreements for any variances that are granted while in the past agreements were not signed.

\*\*The Chairman called for the vote on the *second substitute* motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: B. Amedee, D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and A. Williams.

The Chairman declared the *second substitute* motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: Mr. D. Babin. SECONDED BY: Mr. R. Hornsby.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-424

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL EDUCATIONAL EFFORTS REGARDING ACT NO. 436 OF THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE WHICH WILL BE PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2014 BALLOT AND REQUESTING PARISH ADMINISTRATION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF SUCH PROPERTIES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING BY WAIVING PARISH LIENS AND TAXES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, Act No. 436 (formerly House Bill 256) of the Louisiana Legislature (redemption period reduction for blighted or abandoned property sold at tax sale), which will be on the ballot on the November 4, 2014, is a proposed constitutional amendment that would allow blighted or

abandoned properties adjudicated to a parish to reduce the time period for the original property owner to redeem the property after failure to pay taxes due from 36 months to 18 months; and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Council on behalf of TPCG believes public education regarding this proposed constitutional amendment which will be presented to the citizens of Louisiana on the November 4, 2014 ballot is important and requests that the proposition with explanation be placed on the various media outlets of TPCG including the parish website and TPTV; and

WHEREAS, should the constitutional amendment be approved by the voters of this state, the Terrebonne Parish Council requests that Parish administration consider waiving all parish liens or taxes due on such properties upon the expiration of the current or shortened redemptive period to make the blighted properties available for non-profit and governmental agencies to utilize the properties for in-fill and affordable housing projects.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, requests that the proposition associated with Act No. 436, with explanation, be placed on the various media outlets of TPCG including the parish website and TPTV and that should the constitutional amendment be approved by the voters of this state, the Terrebonne Parish Council further requests that Parish administration consider waiving all parish liens or taxes due on such properties upon the expiration of the current or shortened redemptive period to make the blighted properties available for non-profit and governmental agencies to utilize for infill and affordable housing projects.

## THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P.

Lambert.
NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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Committee Member J. Navy stated that the aforementioned action is in "good spirit" of Act No. 436; that the Legal Department has been requested to look into publication of the act prior to the November 4, 2014 election; and that the act would provide amnesty of liens on commercial and residential structures for non-profit agencies to place the structures back into commerce.

OFFERED BY: Mr. P. Lambert. SECONDED BY: Mr. D. Babin.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-425** 

A RESOLUTION TO CALL A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING OBLIGATING THE NECESSARY FUNDING UNDER THE TERREBONNE PARISH REPETITIVE FLOOD CLAIM PROGRAM, PROJECT NO. RFC-PJ-06-LA-2012-004, TO ACQUIRE THE STRUCTURE AT 5715 HIGHWAY 56, CHAUVIN, LA 70344.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has been formally notified by FEMA that the Repetitive Flood Claim Project No. RFC-PJ-06-LA-2012-004 can proceed with the mitigation of the following property:

Address: 5715 Highway 56

Chauvin, LA 70344

Owned by: Houston J. Lirette, Sr.

Legal Description: On the batture lot or portion of land, situated in the PARISH OF

TERREBONNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, about seventeen (17) miles below the City of Houma, Louisiana, measuring fifty (50') feet front on the Public Road running along the right descending bank of Bayou Little Caillou, by depth between parallel lines of the said bayou Little Caillou; being bounded above by other property of the Vendor (Paul Dovic Lirette) and below by the property of Moise Lirette; together with all rights, ways, privileges, and servitudes thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and all buildings and improvements thereon.

WHEREAS, the required "acquisition packet" has been prepared and executed for the property owner recommending acquisition through the RFC program, and

WHEREAS, the structure owner/s has/have agreed in writing to accept the appraised value as full compensation for the property as estimated in the attached Estimated Financial Breakdown form, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required regarding the acquisition of property by the Parish,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that a public hearing be called for September 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. to hear comment on obligating the necessary funding under the Terrebonne Parish Repetitive Flood Claim Project No. RFC-PJ-06-LA-2012-004, to mitigate the property above through acquisition.

#### THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. R. Hornsby. SECONDED BY: Mr. D. Babin.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-426** 

A RESOLUTION GIVING NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF STRUCTURES AND LANDS UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) BUYOUT PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECT ACQUISITION; AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON SAID MATTER FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2014 AT 6:30 P. M.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has been advised by consultants, Leidos, Inc. as part of the implementation of the Gustav/Ike Recovery Plan CDBG Buyout Program project management duties that they recommend acquisition under the grant program of the following property; and

WHEREAS, as agents, Leidos, Inc. has executed all necessary documents with the following property owner to acquire all structures and lands located at the address and for the amount stipulated below:

Owner(s) and address: 515 Oakwood, Houma, Louisiana 70363

Clifton and Josie Trahan, owners;

Appraised Value: \$244,000.00

Estimated Total Project Costs: \$276,280.00

Offer Amount: \$244,000.00

Legal Description: Lot twenty (20) of block four (4) of addendum no. three (3) to Subdivision in the parish of Terrebonne Louisiana on the right descending bank of Bayou Terrebonne, as shown on the map of Addendum No. Three (3) to Roberta Grove Subdivision made by DeFraites Associates, Inc., on April 5, 1968, recorded in COB 455, folio 678 Entry No. 339,552, Volume 26, Map No. 2452, Terrebonne Parish; said Lot Twenty (20) of Block Four (4) of addendum no. three (3) measuring a front of Seventy (70') feet on the east side of Oakwood Drive, by a depth of One Hundred Twenty (120') feet between equal and parallel lines; said lot being bounded on the North by Lot Twenty-twp (22), on the South by Lot Nineteen (19), on the East by portions of Lots Seven (7) and Eight (8) of Block Four (4) of Addendum No. Two (2) to Roberta Grove Subdivision, and on the West by Oakwood Drive; together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, ways, privileges, prescriptions and servitudes thereto belonging and appertaining.

WHEREAS, the above listed property owner has agreed to the offer to purchase for the amount stipulated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that notice is hereby given to adopt an ordinance to authorize the acquisition of structures and lands under the terms and conditions of the Gustav/Ike Recovery Plan CDBG Buyout Program; to authorize the Parish President to execute any and all documents necessary to effect acquisition; and calling a public hearing on said matter for Wednesday, September 24, 2014, at 6:30 p. m.

# THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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OFFERED BY: Mr. D. Babin. SECONDED BY: Mr. P. Lambert.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-427

A RESOLUTION GIVING NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF STRUCTURES AND LANDS UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) BUYOUT PROGRAM; TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECT ACQUISITION; AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON SAID MATTER FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2014 AT 6:30 P. M.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has been advised by consultants, Leidos, Inc. as part of the implementation of the Gustav/Ike Recovery Plan CDBG Buyout Program project management duties that they recommend acquisition under the grant program of the following property; and

WHEREAS, as agents, Leidos, Inc. has executed all necessary documents with the following property owner to acquire all structures and lands located at the address and for the amount stipulated below:

Owner(s) and address: 505 Middlewood, Houma, LA 79363 Linda and Willis Vincent Fazzio, owners; Appraised Value: \$146,000.00

Estimated Total Project Costs: \$158,280.00

Offer Amount: \$146,000.00

Legal Description: Lot Fourteen (14) of block eight (8) of addendum no. three (3) to Subdivision in the parish of Terrebonne Louisiana on the right descending bank of Bayou Terrebonne, as shown on the map of Addendum No. Three (3) to Roberta Grove Subdivision made by DeFraites Associates, Inc., on April 5, 1968, recorded in COB 455, folio 678 Entry No. 339,552, Volume 26, Map No. 2452, Terrebonne Parish; said Lot Fourteen (14) of Block Eight (8) of addendum no. three (3) measuring 111.93 feet on the south side of Middlewood Drive, by depth of 83.61 feet on its east line, 125 on its south line, 58.06 feet on the east side of Middlewood Drive, on the south by Lot Thirteen (13), on the east by Lots One (1) and Two (2), and on the west by Middlewood Drive; together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, ways, privileges, prescriptions and servitudes thereto belonging and appertaining.

WHEREAS, the above listed property owner has agreed to the offer to purchase for the amount stipulated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council (Community Development and Planning Committee), on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that notice is hereby given to adopt an ordinance to authorize the acquisition of structures and lands under the terms and conditions of the Gustav/Ike Recovery Plan CDBG Buyout Program; to authorize the Parish President to execute any and all documents necessary to effect acquisition; and calling a public hearing on said matter for Wednesday, September 24, 2014, at 6:30 p.m.

## THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: J. Navy, B. Amedée, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry and P. Lambert.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: A. Williams and G. Hood, Sr.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. P. Lambert, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Community Development & Planning Committee, the meeting be adjourned."

The Chairman called for the vote on the motion offered by Mr. .

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: B. Amedee, D. Babin, C. Duplantis-Prather, D. Guidry, R. Hornsby, P. Lambert, and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and A. Williams.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p. m.

Dirk Guidry, Chairman

Suzette Thomas Minute Clerk

Mr. D. Guidry moved, seconded by Mr. D. Babin, "THAT, the Council accept and ratify the minutes of the Community Development and Planning Committee meeting held on 09/08/14."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Guidry. THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe. The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. J. Navy, "THAT, the Council approve the

following street light lists, if necessary:

ENERGIZE TWO (2) LIGHTS IN SUGAR POINTE COMMERCIAL PARK; ROAD

LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 2; ENTERGY; R. HORNSBY

ENERGIZE THE LIGHTS ALONG GOVERNMENT STREET AND ALONG THE EXTENSION OF OLYMPIAN OFFSHORE LANE; ROAD LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 1; SLECA; A. WILLIAMS

INSTALL THREE 100-WATT HPS STREET LIGHTS ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF VALHI BLVD. BETWEEN THE ADDRESSES OF 1315 AND 1359 VALHI BLVD.; ROAD LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 2; SLECA; R. HORNSBY

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. P. Lambert moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, "THAT, the Council hold nominations open for the one long-standing vacancy on the Bayou Blue Fire Protection District Board until further notice."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. P. Lambert.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. D. Guidry, "THAT, the Council hold nominations open for a term that will expire on September 11, 2014 on the Houma Board of Zoning Adjustments until the next Council meeting."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Ms. A. Williams, "THAT, the Council open nominations for the three terms that will expire on September 17, 2014 on the Veterans' Memorial District Board; that Mr. Richard Ricca (nominated for re-appointment by VFW Post No. 3665) and Mr. Ken Royston (Parish President's appointment) be nominated; that nominations be closed and that Mr. Richard Ricca and Mr. Ken Royston be re-appointed to serve another term on the Veterans' Memorial District Board and that the Council hold the additional position open (replacement to be selected by Rep. Lenar Whitney) until the next Council meeting."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. D. Babin.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe. The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Ms. C. Duplantis-Prather, "THAT, the Council accept the resignation of Mr. Ernest Brown and open nominations for the two vacant positions on the Children and Youth Services Planning Board; that Mr. Alton Johnson and Mr. Sammuel J. Castalano be nominated; close nominations and appoint Mr. Alton Johnson and Mr. Sammuel J. Castalano be appointed to serve a term on the Children and Youth Services Planning Board."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Council Chairman announced the following vacancies, which will be handled as per usual procedure:

- Four vacancies on the Coastal Zone Management and Restoration Committee for terms that will expire on October 31, 2014. (Three to be appointed by the Council and one to be appointed by the Parish President)
- One vacancy on the Recreation District No. 11 Board to fill the remainder of a term until 07/01/16.

Under Agenda Item 7A – Announcements, Council Members:

- Councilman D. Babin announced that the Pontoon Bridge in Dulac located by the Houma Navigational Canal will be open to vehicular traffic in approximately two weeks.
- Councilman D. Babin announced that the bids for construction of the new Pontoon Bridge went out on yesterday.
- Councilman D. Babin announced that the United Houma Indian Nation Pow Wow will be held on September 20 and 21 at the Houma Airbase.
- Councilman D. Babin announced that a 5K race will be held in the Mulberry area on September 27 to help fund projects for Recreation District No. 9.
- Councilwoman C. Duplantis-Prather announced to every pet owner to have their pets spayed and neutered to help control the pet population, and asked that if a stray animal is found to please contact the Animal Shelter at (985) 873-6709. She also stated that the Animal Shelter has a cost-efficient spay and neuter program that is based upon the size of the animal and the owner's income, noting that other pertinent information can be found on their website at <a href="www.animalshelter@tpcg.org">www.animalshelter@tpcg.org</a>.
- Councilman J. Navy announced to the public that he has been in conversation with the Louisiana Department of Transportation (DOTD) concerning drainage maintenance and grass cutting; noting that someone from that department will be out Friday (September 12) to inspect the areas of concern in District 1 and possibly come up with a maintenance plan to help solve this problem.

Under Agenda Item 7B – Parish President Michel Claudet announced:

- The closure on Hollywood Road last week was due to a sewer force main line repairs; thus noting that Hollywood Road will be closed for repairs in the near future with an alternate lane constructed for vehicular traffic.
- The permits for the Cannata's Street Bridge Project should be coming soon and construction will begin thereafter.

- The bids for the embankment phase of the Westside Blvd. /Martin Luther King Blvd Project should be in by September 16.
- The bids for the Ellender Parking Lot Project have been accepted and construction will begin on that project in the near future with landscaping being done by the Terrebonne Parish Tree Board.
- The plans for the Bayou Gardens Blvd. / Coteau Road Project will be going to bid in the near future.
- The bid for the Thompson Road Project will be going out soon; noting that they are waiting for approval from the State of Louisianan. This project is being funded by monies in the Capital Outlay Budget.

Councilman R. Hornsby announced that construction on the skateboard park has begun with an anticipated completion date for the first quarter of 2015.

Councilman R. Hornsby announced that he has been in contact with Mr. Gary Besson, President of Recreation 2,3, about the work being done on the Bayou Country Sports Complex; noting that a quad baseball field is under construction and should be completed by Spring 2015.

No action was necessary on Agenda Item 8A, Staff Reports – Information List dated 09/10/14.

Ms. A. Williams moved, seconded by Ms. D. Guidry, "THAT, the Council approve the following Monthly Engineering Reports:

- A. CB and I
- B. Duplantis Design Group, PC
- C. Milford and Associates, Inc.
- D. Providence/GSE Associates, LLC
- E. T. Baker Smith, LLC

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Ms. A. Williams moved, second by Mr. D. Guidry, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Council the meeting be adjourned."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Ms. A. Williams.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: A. Williams, C. Duplantis-Prather, R. Hornsby, D. Babin, D. Guidry, P. Lambert and J. Navy.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: G. Hood, Sr. and B. Amedèe.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

TAMMY E. TRIGGS, MINUTE CLERK

ATTEST:

/s/ RUSSELL HORNSBY, CHAIRMAN TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL /s/ VENITA H. CHAUVIN ASSISTANT COUNCIL CLERK