PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL

IN EMERGENCY SESSION

SEPTEMBER 29, 2021

The Chairman, Mr. D. W. Guidry, Sr., called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish School Board Meeting Room. Councilman G. Michel led an Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, Council Members recorded as present were: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue. A quorum was declared present.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Amedée, "THAT the Council approve the minutes of the Regular Council Session held on August 11, 2021."

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Amedée, "THAT the Council approve the Accounts Payable Bill Lists dated 9/8/2021, 9/20/2021, and 9/27/2021."

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Amedée, "THAT the Council deviate from the regular order of business to address Agenda Item 1. A. (2): 'Informational Update regarding Hurricane Ida presented by Mr. David Rome, Public Works Director, and Mr. Clay Naquin, Solid, Hazardous, and Recycling Waste Director' and Agenda Item 1. A. (3): 'Update regarding upcoming elections by Mrs. Rhonda Rogers, Terrebonne Registrar of Voters.'"

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Public Works Director David Rome gave an extensive report regarding several Public Works departments and their current efforts addressing damage caused by the recent Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas. Mr. Rome highlighted that approximately 745 signs (5% of the parish's road traffic control signs damaged or lost) have been replaced, with stop signs and street name signs being highest priorities. He added that a request for a contractor to assist with sign replacement was in process at this time. Mr. Rome noted that road damage assessments are ongoing and additional damage is expected due to recovery efforts and overweight vehicle traffic. He reported that damage assessments for all bridges are also ongoing with all movable bridges and bridge houses suffering some damage then shared the projected repair costs and times for various bridges. Mr. Rome highlighted that traffic lights will be repaired over the next several

days and stated that all traffic lights are expected to be operational by November 1, 2021. He then reviewed various road and bridge projects that would be delayed due to disaster relief and recovery efforts. Mr. Rome noted that both sewerage treatment plants were operational with many sewerage facilities on generator power; stating that SCADA controls are not operating properly at this time. He shared that Transit buses were operating on normal routes and emergency routes at this time with rider fares to take effect again starting October 1, 2021. Mr. Rome then reviewed the current procedures for mosquito control spraying with plans to increase spraying pending approval by the Louisiana Department of Health. He reported that drainage damage assessments are ongoing with 90% completed at this time and that contractors have been obtained to assist with clearing and cleaning efforts. Mr. Rome highlighted that pump stations are operating at 100% capacity with several using temporary pumps. He then shared that CDBG funds would be pursued to address additional road damage issues and that a rock jetty was being requested from Boudreaux Canal to Robinson Canal. On request, Mr. Rome clarified that federal guidelines regarding contractor procurement are more stringent than state or local guidelines which may prevent hiring contractors due to qualifications. He shared that all removable bridges have been inspected at this time with additional assessments to be completed soon; stating that road damage on Country Drive would be addressed with temporary measures while recovery efforts continue. Mr. Rome stated that there are difficulties with damage assessments due to encroachment on parish rights-of-way. He stated that these concerns have been transmitted to the Parish's Planning Department to verify with new construction permits. He then provided an overview of the efforts toward making parish waterways clean and navigable for public use at specific times to accommodate residents in need.

Solid, Hazardous, and Recycling Waste Director Clay Naquin presented a report on garbage collections by Pelican Waste & Debris, highlighting that collection services have been restored to twice-weekly collections in accessible areas. He then provided an update on the debris collection being completed by the Parish and DRC Emergency Services, noting that FEMA protocols for debris removal may delay or prevent the collection of certain materials. Mr. Naquin then clarified that bagged debris would be cleared per guidelines and that the State of Louisiana was responsible for clearing state highways at this time. He then encouraged any resident who suffered damage to personal property from the initial road clearing efforts to contact the Risk Management department to report the damage and obtain assistance. Mr. Naquin then gave a brief overview of the contracting procedures regarding debris removal and additional subcontractors.

Clerk of Court Theresa Robichaux reported that, due to Hurricane Ida, Election Day has been rescheduled to November 13, 2021, and the General Election will be held on December 11, 2021. She then gave an update on the number of precincts that would be available to hold the elections, highlighting that only three precincts remained in need of a location before being finalized. Mrs. Robichaux shared that enough commissioners would be available to hold the elections and that location changes and other information would be provided on-site and through local media once finalized.

Registrar of Voters Rhonda Rogers reported that, with the rescheduling of the elections, the deadline to register and/or change voter information is October 13, 2021 if doing so in person or by mail and that the deadline to register and/or change via the online portal is October 23, 2021. Mrs. Rogers stated that there would be no changes for early voting procedures which would run from October 30 to November 6, 2021. She shared that election ballots would be mailed to residents beginning next week and urged residents to have mailboxes placed at their residences to allow postal services to deliver the ballots. Mrs. Rogers then encouraged the public to contact her office with any questions at (985) 873-6533. She stated that residents who have been displaced can participate through early voting in person at the Registrar of Voter's Office or can request an online ballot if displaced out of state. Mrs. Rogers then clarified that registration information submitted by mail must be postmarked by October 13, 2021, to be included for the elections.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. G. Michel, "THAT the Council return to the regular order of business."

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding,

G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

TOHSEP Director Earl Eues provided an extensive report regarding Terrebonne Parish's initial and ongoing emergency response efforts to Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas. Mr. Eues provided some statistics regarding residents evacuated and sheltered. He thanked those who have volunteered and donated, along with commending the utility companies for their restoration efforts. Mr. Eues shared that five (5) point of distribution (POD) sites are still active and that procedures are in place for maintaining donation distributions and volunteer support for several weeks. He then gave an overview of continuing shelter operations and planned emergency housing solutions via base camps and other accommodations across the parish. Mr. Eues encouraged the public to register with FEMA at www.disasterassistance.gov or visit the Disaster Recovery Center at the Civic Center for disaster recovery assistance. He noted that tarping assistance is being provided and that loans are being provided through SBA for homeowner assistance as well. He then shared that registration for the Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program will be available by phone at (888) 524-3578 from October 4 to October 9, 2021.

Parish President Gordon Dove commended the Parish departments and associated organizations for their cooperation and collaboration in responding to Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas.

Planning and Zoning Director Christopher Pulaski gave an update on the status of building permits and inspections being processed by the Parish. Mr. Pulaski encouraged the public to apply online for permits at www.MyPermitNow.org, via mobile app through MyGovernmentOnline, or call the Permit Office phone line at (985) 873-6567. He then clarified that permits are still required for many housing repairs and that all permit fees have been waived at this time. Mr. Pulaski then gave an overview of the permitting procedures being followed and inspections being completed. He encouraged those residents in need of emergency housing to register with FEMA at www.disasterassistance.gov to determine their eligibility for assistance and better expedite the process. Mr. Pulaski highlighted that those wishing to register their information with the Parish may do so via e-mail at temphousing@tpcg.org or via the mobile-friendly www.tpcg.org/temphousing with over 3,300 names received thus far. He clarified that long-term/permanent housing assistance was being discussed and would be investigated further once resources become available. Mr. Pulaski then gave an overview of the Parish's plans for providing temporary housing through base camps and travel trailers that will be provided through the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness and through FEMA's direct housing.

Discussion ensued relative to available housing assistance to Terrebonne Parish residents for short term and long term needs and potential dates and locations to receive temporary housing solutions.

Upon Councilman G. Michel's request, Mr. Eues clarified that the Louisiana Department of Health would determine when nursing home residents could return to Terrebonne Parish once appropriate infrastructure is restored.

Discussion ensued relative to individual assistance options for Parish residents through FEMA ranging from reimbursements to loans and other programs. Additional discussion continued relative to temporary housing solutions and other accommodations based on individual needs of residents.

Upon Mr. D. J. Guidry's request, Mr. Pulaski suggested that a program could be developed to assist residents in need of demolition services and to minimize help the cost of demolishing damaged structures.

Mr. Earl Eues gave a brief report on the COVID-19 statistics in the Parish and stated that a monoclonal antibody infusion center has been established at the Municipal Auditorium for those in need of treatment.

OFFERED BY: MR. S. TROSCLAIR SECONDED BY: MR. G. MICHEL

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 9316

AN EXTREME EMERGENCY ORDINANCE DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 2-14, 5-04(b) AND 5-11 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER FOR THE TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL TO EFFECTUATE THE APPROPRIATION OF EMERGENCY FUNDS FROM THE DEDICATED EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY FUND FOR PURPOSES OF PROTECTING THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF ITS CITIZENS REGARDING THE DESTRUCTION AND DAMAGES CAUSED BY HURRICANE IDA AND HURRICANE NICHOLAS.

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2021, Parish President Gordon E. Dove declared a State of Emergency relative to Hurricane Ida in Terrebonne Parish recorded in the Terrebonne Parish Courthouse under COB 2646, page 676, entry No. 1634123 (attached hereto as Exh. A), so that immediate action could take place to prepare for and address the natural disaster as afforded to him pursuant to La.

R.S. 29:729 and the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Code, and

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2021, Governor John Bel Edwards declared a Gubernatorial State of Emergency for Hurricane Ida as 165 JBE 2021, and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2021, Terrebonne Parish President Gordon Dove declared a State of Emergency to exist relative to Hurricane Nicholas in Terrebonne Parish recorded in the Terrebonne Parish Courthouse under COB 2646, page 840, entry No. 1634194 (attached hereto as Exh. B), so that immediate action could take place to prepare for and address the natural disaster as afforded to him pursuant to La. R.S. 29:729 (attached hereto as Exh. C) and the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Code, and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2021, Governor John Bel Edwards declared a Gubernatorial State of Emergency for Hurricane Nicholas as 175 JBE 2021, and

WHEREAS, declaration of extreme public emergency was declared for Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas, and

WHEREAS, the extreme emergency caused necessary spending for the purpose of protecting the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens due to the destruction caused by Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas, and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida caused extensive infrastructure damage in Terrebonne Parish due to high winds, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Terrebonne Parish's Home Rule Charter, a dedicated emergency fund exists for the purpose of addressing the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Parish, and

WHEREAS, the Parish President and his Chief Financial Officer had a need to make expenditures from the dedicated emergency funding without Parish Council approval, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne parish Council has the authority to appropriate, authorize, and ratify the use of Emergency funds for emergencies such as Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas, pursuant to Terrebonne Parish Charter Section 5-11 (attached hereto as Exh. D), and

WHEREAS, the appropriation of emergency fund spending can be authorized by an Emergency Ordinance pursuant to Terrebonne Parish Charter Section 2-14 (attached hereto as Exh. E), and

WHEREAS, the Parish President is vested with the responsibility to respond to an emergency in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Parish pursuant to La. R.S. 29:727 (attached hereto as Exh. F), and

WHEREAS, the Parish President is statutorily mandated and responsible for Homeland Security and emergency preparedness of Terrebonne Parish pursuant to La. R.S. 29:729.

SECTION I

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that in accordance with Article 5, Section 5-04(b) of the Terrebonne Parish Charter, the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, in association with the Parish President and Parish administration, hereby declares, approves, and ratifies the use of the dedicated emergency fund referenced in Article 5, Section 5-11 of the Terrebonne Parish Charter in order to meet a public emergency affecting life, health, property, and the public peace of its citizens in response to Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas, and

SECTION II

To the extent applicable, the Council Clerk shall cause all necessary notices and publications to occur with respect to the subject ordinance.

SECTION III

If any work, 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.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall become effective upon approval by the Parish President or as otherwise provided in Section 2-13(b) of the Home Rule Charter for a Consolidated Government for Terrebonne Parish, whichever occurs sooner.

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G.

Michel, J. Amedee, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this the 29th day of September, 2021.

OFFERED BY: MR. C. HARDING SECONDED BY: MR. D. BABIN

RESOLUTION NO. 21-320

A resolution authorizing the Department of Utilities to contract with 1 Priority Environmental Services with the Houma Generation Station, for the removal of the Cooling Tower Abatement and Cleanup.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, Department of Utilities, Electric Generation Division (the Department/Division) solicited proposals for the Houma Generation Station removal of the Cooling Tower(s) Abatement and Cleanup, and

WHEREAS, the Division has reviewed the proposals submitted and recommends the proposal of 1 Priority Environmental Services as the lowest and best proposal offered in the amount of \$148,645.00, and

WHEREAS, the Division reserves the right to increase or decrease the amount at the unit prices stated in the proposal, as determined by actual needs and availability of appropriated funds, and

WHEREAS, the Department and parish administration concur with these recommendations, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the Department of Utilities be, and they are hereby, authorized to contract with 1 Priority Environmental Services, for te removal of the Cooling Tower (s) Abatement and Cleanup, in the estimated amount of \$148,645.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Parish President and all other appropriate parties be, and they are hereby, authorized to execute any and all contract documents associated therewith.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

NOT VOTING: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this the 29th day of September 2021.

OFFERED BY: MR. S. TROSCLAIR SECONDED BY: MR. J. AMEDĖE

RESOLUTION NO. 21-321

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDING FOR THE LOUISIANA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION, FACILITY PLANNING & CONTROL CAPITAL PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has numerous Cooperative Endeavor Agreements (CEA) with the State of Louisiana – Division of Administration, Facility Planning and Control (FP&C) on capital projects, and

WHEREAS, in order to apply and continue efforts for such grants/funding, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government must allow the Parish President to sign certain documents; and

WHEREAS, the capital projects include:

Replacement of Brady Road Bridge, 50-J55-20-01 Renovate Le Petit de Terrebonne Building, 50-J55-14-01 Terrebonne Sports Complex, 50-NTG-13-01 Bayou LaCarpe Watershed, Location C, 50-J55-14-02 Westside/Alma Street Drainage, 50-J55-18-01

South Louisiana Wetland Discovery Center, Phase 2, 50-J55-14-06 Valhi Extension (Savanne to LA 311), 50-J55-21-01 Maintenance of Levees, 50-J55-21-02

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT, that the President, Gordon E. Dove, being the chief executive officer of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, is hereby authorized to be the authorized representative for the projects and as such is authorized to sign all associated documentation for the Capital Outlay and Facility Planning and Control on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with full authority to execute all documents on the above listed FP&C projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Engineering Dept. of TPCG, for this Project.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

NOT VOTING: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this the 29th day of September 2021.

OFFERED BY: MR. D. BABIN SECONDED BY: MR. J. AMEDĖE

RESOLUTION NO. 21-322

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2021, electronic bids were received by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government (TPCG) for Bid 21-WHSE-36 Purchase of New/Unused Transformers and Wire (6-Month Requirements Contract) for Warehouse Inventory, and

WHEREAS, after careful review by Angela Guidry, Purchasing/Warehouse Manager and Gregory Lewis, Electric Distribution Superintendent, it has been determined that the lowest qualified bids are that of Utility & Industrial Supply and Wesco Distribution Inc., for the aforementioned bid, and

WHEREAS, should the awarded vendor be unable to supply the Warehouse with the required transformers and wire inventory, the Purchasing Division shall be authorized to award the item(s) to the next lowest qualified bidder, and

WHEREAS, Parish Administration has concurred with the recommendation to award Bid 21-WHSE-36 Purchase of New/Unused Transformers and Wire (6-Month Requirements Contract) to the aforementioned bidders as per attached documents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council and, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of Parish Administration be approved for the purchase of transformers and wire for Warehouse inventory as per the attached documents.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

NOT VOTING: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this the 29th day of September 2021.

OFFERED BY: MR. D. J. GUIDRY SECONDED BY: MR. J. AMEDĖE

RESOLUTION NO. 21-323

RESOLUTION to award Bid #21-JUV-31 Purchase, Delivery and Installation of Facial Recognition Temperature Stations and the Upgrade to an Existing Camera System to Homeland Safety Systems, Inc.

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2021, proposals were received by the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for Bid #21-JUV-31 Purchase, Delivery and Installation of Facial Recognition Temperature Stations and the Upgrade to an Existing Camera System for the Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Detention Center, and

WHEREAS, after careful review by Joseph Harris, Director, it has been determined that Bid #21-JUV-31 Purchase, Delivery and Installation of Facial Recognition Temperature Stations and the Upgrade to an Existing Camera System in the amount of Seventy Thousand, Two Hundred Thirteen Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$70,213.75) should be awarded to Homeland Safety Systems, Inc., and

WHEREAS, the Parish Administration has concurred with the recommendation that the proposal for the above-mentioned bid should be awarded to Homeland Safety Systems, Inc., for the Terrebonne Parish Juvenile Detention Center as per the attached bid form.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the recommendation of the Parish Administration be approved and that the above should be accepted as per the attached forms.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

NOT VOTING: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this the 29th day of September 2021.

Chief Financial Officer Kandace Mauldin explained that VNF Solutions is a consulting group that would advocate for federal funding for Terrebonne Parish. She then gave a brief update on the Parish's status regarding insurance and reimbursements in coordination with a FEMA consultant for repairing and restoring Parish facilities.

Discussion ensued relative to available funding sources and assistance from local legislators. (*RESOLUTION ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

OFFERED BY: MR. J. AMEDĖE SECONDED BY: MR. D. J. GUIDRY

RESOLUTION NO. 21-324

Authorizing the Parish President, Gordon E. Dove, to sign a contract on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government with VNF Solutions for consulting and representational services with respect to Hurricane Ida Recovery Efforts, all as more fully set forth herein below.

WHEREAS, TPCG desires to hire a firm for consulting and representational services with respect to Hurricane Ida Recover efforts; and

WHEREAS, VNF Solutions has offered to perform these services for six months beginning on the date the agreement is signed, with an option for TPCG to renew services, for a monthly fee of Fifteen Thousand and No/00 (\$15,000) Dollars; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that Gordon E. Dove, Parish President, is hereby authorized to sign a contract on behalf of TPCG, as approved by the Parish Legal Department, consulting and representational services with respect to Hurricane Ida Recovery Efforts, not inconsistent with the contract attached to this Resolution.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

NOT VOTING: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this the 29th day of September 2021.

OFFERED BY: MR. J. AMEDĖE SECONDED BY: MR. D. BABIN

RESOLUTION NO. 21-325

Support the National Heritage Area Act (S.1942) Program legislation standardizing the designation of National Heritage areas.

WHEREAS, since 1984, 55 National Heritage Areas have been designated across the US; and

WHEREAS, each heritage area tells a distinct story about a nationally important landscape, a place where natural, cultural, and historic resources combine to demonstrate areas of significance worth preserving and enhancing; and

WHEREAS, heritage areas provide sustainable economic development, improved quality of life, community engagement and pride, and education and stewardship of the things that set their unique places apart; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's Atchafalaya National Heritage Area, authorized in 2006, has through its programming provided staff-level and financial support for arts and cultural events and programs in the 14 parish Atchafalaya region for the past 15 years and helped connect cultural organizations and Louisiana artisans with community development organizations, non-profits, and other sources of funding that support the cultural economy; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area is to promote and enhance the region's unique cultural heritage resources which is vital to help sustain this unique place for many generations into the future; and

WHEREAS, the passage of the National Heritage Area Act program legislation (S. 1942) will ensure that the program can continue its mission and that of all National Heritage Areas.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, does hereby support the National

Heritage Area Act (S.1942) program legislation standardizing the designation of National Heritage areas.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

NOT VOTING: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted on this the 29th day of September 2021.

It was recorded at this time (8:59 p.m.) that the Council went into public hearings.

The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

A. An ordinance to enact Section 21-31 of the Code of Ordinances to name the Splash Park located at the Houma Airbase after Melvin Johnson, Jr.

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

Mr. G. Michel moved, seconded by Mr. D. J. Guidry, "THAT the Council continue the aforementioned public hearing until the next Council Meeting on October 13, 2021." (*ITEM REVISITED)

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

B. An ordinance to amend Sections 21-30(A) and 21-31 of the Parish Code to add the Melvin Johnson, Jr. Splash Park to the list of Alcohol-Free and Drug-Free locations.

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

Mr. G. Michel moved, seconded by Mr. D. J. Guidry, "THAT the Council continue the aforementioned public hearing until the next Council Meeting on October 13, 2021." (**MOTION WITHDRAWN AFTER DISCUSSION)

Several Council Members shared their concerns for the continuation of the public hearings being addressed and inquired if the public hearings could be held during the current meeting.

Assistant Council Clerk Tammy Triggs shared that the public hearings could be continued until an October meeting to allow more public to attend the hearings following the recent hurricanes.

**Mr. G. Michel withdrew his motion and Mr. D. J. Guidry withdrew his second.

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. S. Trosclair, "THAT the Council revisit Agenda Item 6:30 A: 'An ordinance to enaction Section 21-31 of the Code of Ordinances to name the Splash Park located at the Houma Airbase after Melvin Johnson, Jr."

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding,

G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

*The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

A. An ordinance to enact Section 21-31 of the Code of Ordinances to name the Splash Park located at the Houma Airbase after Melvin Johnson, Jr.

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

Mr. D. J. Guidry moved, seconded by Mr. D. Babin, "THAT the Council close the aforementioned public hearing." (***MOTION ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

Parish Attorney Julius Hebert clarified that the public hearings could be treated as normal agenda items since they were advertised to be held prior to the meeting.

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: MR. J. NAVY SECONDED BY: MR. D. J. GUIDRY

ORDINANCE NO. 9317

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING SECTION 21-34 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO NAME THE SPLASH PARK LOCATED AT THE HOUMA AIRBASE AFTER MELVIN JOHNSON, JR

WHEREAS, Section 2-11 of the Terrebonne Parish Home Rule Charter requires an ordinance to amend or repeal previous Ordinances; adopt or amend an administrative code; and establish a rule or regulation imposing fines or other penalties; and

WHEREAS, Melvin Johnson, Jr. had a standout athletic career while attending South Terrebonne High School, and

WHEREAS, Melvin Johnson, Jr. sadly passed away in 1980, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Council wishes to preserve the impact the late Melvin Johnson, Jr. had on the field and in the community by honoring him in naming the Splash Park located on 218 FOP Court, Houma, Louisiana, the "Melvin Johnson, Jr. Splash Park."

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

SECTION I

Section 21-34 of the Terrebonne Parish Code shall be enacted (using strikethrough to indicate deletions and underlining to indicate additions) and same are hereby adopted to read as follows:

Sec. 21-34. – Naming of the Splash Park.

(a) <u>The Splash Park, located on 218 FOP Court, Houma, Louisiana, is hereby named the Melvin Johnson, Jr. Splash Park.</u>

SECTION II

Any section, clause, paragraph, provision, or portion of these regulations found to be invalid is severable and shall not affect the validity of the whole.

SECTION III

This ordinance shall become effective upon approval by the Parish President or as otherwise provided in Section 2-13(b) of the Home Rule Charter for a Consolidated Government for Terrebonne Parish, whichever occurs sooner.

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G.

Michel, J. Amedee, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this the 29th day of September, 2021

The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

B. An ordinance to amend Sections 21-30(A) and 21-31 of the Parish Code to add the Melvin Johnson, Jr. Splash Park to the list of Alcohol-Free and Drug-Free locations.

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

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

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding,

G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

OFFERED BY: MR. D. J. GUIDRY SECONDED BY: MR. J. NAVY

ORDINANCE NO. 9318

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 21-30(A) AND 21-31 OF THE PARISH CODE TO ADD THE MELVIN JOHNSON, JR. SPLASH PARK TO THE LIST OF ALCOHOL-FREE AND DRUG-FREE LOCATIONS

WHEREAS, Section 2-11 of the Terrebonne Parish Home Rule Charter requires an ordinance to amend or repeal previous Ordinances; adopt or amend an administrative code; and establish a rule or regulation imposing fines or other penalties; and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Council would like to promote recreation within the parish, and

WHEREAS, the Terrebonne Parish Council's goal is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens, and

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

SECTION I

Section 21-30 of the Terrebonne Parish Code shall be amended (using strikethrough to indicate deletions and underlining to indicate additions) and same are hereby adopted to read as follows:

Sec. 21-30. - Same—In parks, playgrounds.

(a) The use, possession or presence of alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited in the confines of the parks/playgrounds listed below:

Dumas Park

[...]

Melvin Johnson, Jr. Splash Park

SECTION II

Section 21-31 of the Terrebonne Parish Code shall be amended (using strikethrough to indicate deletions and underlining to indicate additions) and same are hereby adopted to read as follows:

Sec. 21-31. - Drug-free zones.

In accordance with the provisions of Act 171 of the 1989 Legislature (R.S. 17:402 et seq.), the maps attached to the ordinances from which this section is derived and incorporated herein by reference are hereby established as the boundaries of the following parks and recreation areas, which are hereby established as drug-free zones of Terrebonne Parish:

Bourg Recreation Complex

[...]

Melvin Johnson, Jr. Splash Park- FOP Court, Houma, Louisiana (airbase)

SECTION III

Any section, clause, paragraph, provision, or portion of these regulations found to be invalid is severable and shall not affect the validity of the whole.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall become effective upon approval by the Parish President or as otherwise provided in Section 2-13(b) of the Home Rule Charter for a Consolidated Government for Terrebonne Parish, whichever occurs sooner.

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G.

Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this the 29th day of September, 2021.

The Chairman recognized the public for comments on the following:

C. An ordinance to amend the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget and 5-Year Capital Outlay Budget of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government for the following items and to provide for related matters:

- I. Sanitation-Vegetation, \$10,221
- II. Animal Shelter-donations, \$12,536
- III. Sanitation-new department, \$238,800
- IV. Public Safety Pension & Relief Fund, \$35,667
- V. Capital Improvement Bond Sinking, \$1,598,196.

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

Mr. D. Babin moved, seconded by Mr. J. Amedée, "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: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Chief Financial Officer Kandace Mauldin clarified that the Animal Shelter fund was donated \$12,536 which purchased medicine and was reflected in the budget amendment. (*ORDINANCE ADOPTED AFTER DISCUSSION)

OFFERED BY: MR. J. AMEDEE SECONDED BY: MR. G. MICHEL

ORDINANCE NO. 9319

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2021 ADOPTED OPERATING BUDGET AND 5-YEAR CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

- I. SANITATION-VEGETATION, \$10,221
- II. ANIMAL SHELTER-DONATIONS, \$12,536
- III. SANITATION-NEW DEPARTMENT, \$238,800
- IV. PUBLIC SAFETY PENSION & RELIEF FUND, \$35,667
- V. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOND SINKING, \$1,598,196

SECTION I

WHEREAS, the Sanitation Vegetation Department received \$10,221 reimbursement for damages to a tractor, and

WHEREAS, this reimbursement needs to be reflected in the Machinery and Equipment account.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget be amended for the Sanitation Vegetation Department. (Attachment A)

SECTION II

WHEREAS, the Animal Shelter receives donations to purchase medicine for the animals at the shelter, and

WHEREAS, the donations will be put into the Medical and Drugs account for \$12,536.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget be amended for the Animal Control Department. (Attachment B)

SECTION III

WHEREAS, Administration is requesting to amend the Sanitation Vegetation Operating Budget by adding various accounts, and

WHEREAS, the budgeted dollars for the change is \$238,800, and

WHEREAS, the funding source is from the Sanitation net position.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget and Budgeted Positions be amended to recognize the necessary change for the Vegetation Department. (Attachment C)

SECTION IV

WHEREAS, Administration is requesting the transfer of funds to the Public Safety Pension and Relief Fund for the repayment of the capital lease for the Houma Fire Department, and

WHEREAS, the funding of \$35,667 will come from the Public Safety Fund, fund balance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget be amended for the Public Safety Pension and Relief Fund. (Attachment D)

SECTION V

WHEREAS, Administration is requesting a decrease in the transfer of funds to the Capital Improvement Bond Sinking Fund from the Sales Tax Revenue Fund, and

WHEREAS, the decrease of \$1,598,196 will increase the Sales Tax Revenue Fund, fund balance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, that the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget be amended for the Capital Improvement Bond Sinking Fund. (Attachment E)

SECTION VI

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Terrebonne Parish Council, on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, hereby authorizes Gordon Dove, Parish President, to execute any and all documents for these amendments as approved by the legal department.

SECTION VII

If any work, 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.

SECTION VIII

This Ordinance shall become effective upon approval by the Parish President or as otherwise provided in Section 2-13(b) of the Home Rule Charter for a Consolidated Government for Terrebonne Parish, whichever occurs sooner.

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G.

Michel, J. Amedee, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINING: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the ordinance adopted on this the 29th day of September, 2021.

The Chairman announced the following vacancies:

- **Veteran's Memorial District:** One (1) unexpired term due to a resignation and three (3) expiring terms on 09/17/21.
- **Recreation District No. 3A:** One expired term and one unexpired term due to a resignation.
- **Recreation District No. 6:** One (1) expiring term.
- **Recreation District No. 7:** One expiring term on 10-24-21.
- Bayou Blue Fire Protection District: One expired term.
- **Terrebonne Parish Tree Board:** One (1) vacancy due to a resignation.
- **TEDA:** Three (3) expiring terms on 09-09-21. One representing each of the following: Terrebonne Parish Council, Houma Terrebonne Chamber of Commerce, and SCIA South Central Industrial Association.
- **Airport Commission:** One expiring term on 10-14-21.
- Coastal Zone Management and Restoration: Four expiring terms on 10-31-21. (Two representing the Public, one representing Recreational Fishing and one representing Property Owner(s)).
- Houma Area Convention and Visitors Bureau (HACVB): Three expiring terms on 12-31-21. (Two representing Civic Non-Profit Organization(s) and one representing the Houma Terrebonne Regional Military Museum).

Announcements-Parish President: None.

Announcements-Council Members:

- The Chairman announced that Councilman C. Harding was appointed Chairman of the Parish Council's Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee.
- Councilman C. Harding thanked everyone who has donated to disaster relief and recovery efforts in Terrebonne Parish.
- Councilman G. Michel shared his resolve to assist nursing home residents in returning to Terrebonne Parish.
- Mr. J. Amedée moved, seconded by Mr. D. J. Guidry, "THAT, the Council accept the following monthly engineering reports:

A. T. Baker Smith

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

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Mr. D. J. Guidry moved, seconded by Mr. J. Amedée, "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 Mr. D. J. Guidry.

THERE WAS RECORDED:

YEAS: D. W. Guidry, Sr., D. Babin, D. J. Guidry, S. Trosclair, J. Navy, C. Harding, G. Michel, J. Amedée, and J. Domangue.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Chairman declared the motion adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

KEITH HAMPTON, MINUTE CLERK

/s/ DARRIN W. GUIDRY, SR., CHAIRMAN TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL ATTEST: /s/TAMMY E. TRIGGS, ASSISTANT COUNCIL CLERK TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL