

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
November 9th, 2021
Chairman Thomas Malik
Vice-Chairman Tonia Schnyder

Members: Lennix Madere, Kurt Becnel, Warren Torres, Tammy Houston, Tyra Duhe-Griffin, Robert Arcuri, Tonia Schnyder, Michael Wright, Thomas Malik

PRESENT: Warren Torres, Thomas Malik, Tammy Houston, Robert Arcuri, Lennix Madere, Kurt Becnel, Michael Wright and Tonia Schnyder

ABSENT: Duhe-Griffin

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (3 minutes per citizen)

There was no public comment at this time.

Peter Montz - Resolution - R21-151 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to solicit bids for construction of the LA SAFE Airline and Main Complete Streets Project

Councilwoman Duhe-Griffin arrived at 6:02 PM.

MOTION: Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Madere seconded the amended motion to approve Resolution R21-151 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE LA SAFE AIRLINE AND MAIN COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and, WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Parish received \$6 million to design and construct the LA SAFE Airline and Main Complete Streets Project from the Louisiana Office of Community Development; and, WHEREAS, this project is for the construction of improvements which includes sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, milling/overlay, pavement striping, curb/gutters, bike lanes, driveways, subsurface drainage, decorative lighting, brick pavers, and on-street parking within the State Right-of-Way along both Airline Highway (US 61) and Main Street (LA 44); and, WHEREAS, due to the previous bid that exceeded the amount of funds available for the project, the design Engineer worked with the Parish and Grant Authority to repackage the bid with modified designs and alternative options to reduce the cost of construction. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized to solicit bids for construction of the LA SAFE Airline and Main Complete Streets Project. The motion passed unanimously.

Peter Montz - Resolution - R21-152 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award Storm Drain and Sanitary Sewer System Debris Assessment and Rehabilitation Services to Compliance EnviroSystems, LLC

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion to approve Resolution - R21-152 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH TO AWARD STORM DRAIN AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM DEBRIS ASSESSMENT AND

REHABILITATION SERVICES TO COMPLIANCE ENVIROSYSTEMS, LLC. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and, WHEREAS, Compliance EnviroSystems, LLC was the only proposal submitted that was reviewed and scored by the Source Selection Committee; and, WHEREAS, services will include the assessment and rehabilitation of existing storm and sanitary sewer mains, television inspection and dyewater flooding, smoke testing, cleaning and physical inspection of catch basins, manholes and wet wells damaged by Hurricane Ida; and, WHEREAS, it will be funded through the Public Works Department and FEMA reimbursement. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that Parish President Jaclyn Hotard is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Parish council to execute the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and Compliance EnviroSystems, LLC. The motion passed unanimously.

Peter Montz - Resolution - R21-153 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to settle and pay the September 8, 2021, Property Damage Claim to Jada Fiffie of 429 Central Avenue, Edgard, LA 70049

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution - R21-153 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH TO SETTLE AND PAY THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2021, PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIM TO JADA FIFFIE OF 429 CENTRAL AVENUE, EDGARD, LA 70049. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and, WHEREAS, Riverlands Insurance Services, Inc. recommended, and Legal Counsel approved the settlement amount of \$2,558.35; and, WHEREAS, the settlement will be funded through the Claim/Litigation Settlement line item of the Public Works Budget. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized to settle and pay the September 8, 2021, Property Damage Claim to Jada Fiffie of 429 Central Avenue, Edgard, LA 70049. The motion passed unanimously.

Rene Pastorek - Resolution - R21-154 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to amend the Professional Services Agreement with MB3, Inc. for Abstract, Title and Land Acquisition Services

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Becnel seconded the motion to approve Resolution - R21-154 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH TO AMEND THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MB3, INC. FOR ABSTRACT, TITLE AND LAND ACQUISITION SERVICES. WHEREAS, Article IV, Section H (2) and (5) of the St. John the Baptist Parish Home Rule Charter permits the Parish Council to adopt a resolution when authorizing a designated person(s) to execute a previously approved contract on its behalf and/or to perform a ministerial act related to the administrative business of the Parish; and, WHEREAS, MB3, Inc. of Metairie, LA provides abstract, title and legal land acquisition services that are required to complete the Proposed Water Improvements for the Parish; and, WHEREAS, this Amendment is needed for additional services required including survey work, coordination with the

surveyor, the DA's Office, permitting agencies and utility companies, as well as direct expense reimbursement for copies and mortgage certificates from the Clerk of Court; and, WHEREAS, the additional costs associated with providing these additional services will be funded through the Utilities Department Budget. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that Parish President Jaclyn Hotard, is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council to execute Amendment No. 1 of the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and MB3, Inc. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilwoman Schnyder seconded the motion to adjourn the finance meeting. The motion passed unanimously.