

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 9TH, 2023
CHAIRMAN THOMAS MALIK
VICE-CHAIR KURT BECNEL

The Council of the Parish of St. John the Baptist Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session in the Rudolph Sorapuru Chambers, Edgard, Louisiana on Tuesday, May 9th, 2023, at 6:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL: Lennix Madere, Jr., Councilman-at-Large, Div. A, Kurt Becnel, Councilman District I, Tammy Houston, Councilwoman District III, Robert Arcuri, Councilman District V, Warren Torres, Councilman District II, Michael Wright, Councilman-at-Large, Div. B, Thomas Malik, Councilman District VII

ABSENT: Tyra Duhe-Griffin and Tonia Schnyder

Councilman Torres led the Prayer and Councilman Arcuri led the Pledge.

Legal Counsel Keith Green, Jr. and Kennilyn Schmill were present.

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

Virgie Johnston, Edgard, commented on Resolution R23-92.

CONSENT AGENDA:

ITEMS: Approval of Minutes - April 25th, 2023, Council Meeting; Jaclyn Hotard - Appointment of Julia Remondet to the Coastal Zone Management Advisory Committee

MOTION: Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Becnel seconded the motion to approve consent agenda item - Approval of Minutes - April 25th, 2023, Council Meeting; Jaclyn Hotard - Appointment of Julia Remondet to the Coastal Zone Management Advisory Committee. The motion passed with 6 yeas, 2 absent (Duhe-Griffin, Schnyder) and 1 abstaining (Torres).

REPORTS:

President's Report

PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION ON ORDINANCE(S)/NEW BUSINESS:

23-12 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving the re-subdivision of Lot R-1 of Lot B, of Farm Lot 8, of Woodland Plantation, into Lots R-1-1 & R-1-2 of Lot B, of Farm Lot 8, of Woodland Plantation, located in the area generally bounded by Main Street, Columns Court, Highway 51, & Lasseigne Street, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA, as shown in Exhibit 1 attached (PZS-23-1341) (J. Hotard & T. Lambeth)

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 23-12. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and

Schnyder absent.

23-13 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving the re-subdivision of Lots 89 & 90 into Lot 89A, Lakeshore Estates Subdivision, located in the area generally bounded by Rue St. Charles, Highway 643, Rue St. James, & Des Allemands Boulevard, Vacherie, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA, as shown in Exhibit 1 attached (PZS-23-1339) (J. Hotard & T. Lambeth)

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 23-13. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

23-14 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving the re-subdivision of the remainder of the Alice B. Gendron Tract into Lots 1-AG & 2-AG of the Alice B. Gendron Tract, located in the area generally bounded by Highway 18, E. 14th Street, & E. 11th Street, Edgard, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA, as shown in Exhibit 1 attached (PZS-23-1338) (J. Hotard & T. Lambeth)

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 23-14. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

23-15 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving the rezoning of Proposed Lot 1-AG, Alice B. Gendron Tract, located in the area generally bounded by Highway 18, E. 14th Street, & E. 11th Street, Edgard, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA from the Commercial District One (C-1) to the Residential District One (R-1), as shown in Exhibit 1 attached (PZR-23-1374) (J. Hotard & T. Lambeth)

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Becnel seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 23-15. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

23-16 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance approving the rezoning of Lot 3, Haydel Heights Subdivision, located in the area generally bounded by Balsam Street, W. 5th Street, Birch Street, & the Y & MV Railroad, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA from the Residential District One (R-1) to the Residential District Three (R-3), as shown in Exhibit 1 attached (PZR-23-1384) (J. Hotard & T. Lambeth)

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and the Councilman Torres seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 23-16. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

23-17 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance amending Chapter 105 - Buildings and Building Regulations, Article II - Building Code, Sec. 105-16 - Permits to add the word place to (a) *Required*. Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, **place**, enlarge, alter, repair, move, or change the occupancy of a building or structure (see attached exhibit) (J. Hotard & T. Lambeth)

MOTION: Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 23-17. The motion passed with 5 yeas, 3 absent (Duhe-Griffin, Schnyder, Madere) and 1 against (Torres).

23-18 (Public Hearing Held) An ordinance that Section 2-21 of Chapter 2, Article II Designation of Polling Places be hereby amended to provide for Polling Places in accordance with the 2023 St. John the Baptist Parish Redistricting Plan (K. Becnel)

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 23-18. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhé-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Kurt Becnel - Resolution - R23-91 - A Resolution of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council authorizing the St. John the Baptist Parish Library to utilize collected millage for executed change order No. 1 for Reserve Branch Library for ADD Alternate 1 complete the 1885 House Renovation and Restoration

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-91. A Resolution of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council authorizing the St. John the Baptist Parish Library to utilize collected millage for executed change order No. 1 for Reserve Branch Library for ADD Alternate 1 complete the 1885 House Renovation and Restoration. **WHEREAS**, the St. John the Baptist Parish Library, through the authority of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council has purchased property to build a new Reserve Library referred to as the St. John the Baptist Parish Library, Reserve Branch Library, to be located on Highway 44 (River Road) between West 4th and West 5th Streets in Reserve, Louisiana. **WHEREAS**, Pursuant to the unanimous vote of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council at its properly held June 8, 2021, regular meeting, the St. John the Baptist Parish Library Board of Control received approval to hire design firm EwingCole to create design and provide Schematic, Design and Construction documents for project. **WHEREAS**, Pursuant to the unanimous vote of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council at its properly held June 22, 2021, regular meeting, the St. John the Baptist Parish Library received approval from the Parish Council to utilize the construction management at risk project delivery method and approved contract of Lemoine Construction LLC in constructing the St. John the Baptist Parish Library, Reserve Branch Library; and **WHEREAS**, Pursuant to the St. John the Baptist Parish Council approval of the Resolution R22-35 to authorize the St. John the Baptist Parish Library Board of Control to utilize and expend up to the \$12,500,000 collected library millage for the Construction of the ST. John the Baptist Parish Library, Reserve Branch Library, to be located on Highway 44(River Road) between West 4th and West 5th Streets in Reserve as Budgeted in the 2022 Library Budget. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that **SECTION 1:** All of the aforementioned "Whereas" clauses are hereby formally adopted, and incorporated, as Section 1 of this Resolution. **SECTION 2:** St. John the Baptist Parish Council, in accordance with LSA-R.S.25:213 authorizes the St. John the Baptist Parish Library Board of Control to utilize and expend \$1,500,000 in Change Order No. 1 for Add Alternate 1 Complete the 1885 House Renovation and Restoration. The motion passed with 6 yeas, 2 absent (Duhé-Griffin, Schnyder) and 1 against (Torres).

Jaclyn Hotard - Resolution - R23-92 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for the Construction of the Westbank Multipurpose Complex to TKTMJ, Inc.

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-92. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for the Construction of the Westbank Multipurpose Complex to

TKTMJ, Inc. 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, TKTMJ, Inc. of New Orleans, LA submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid in the amount of \$6,395,565; and, WHEREAS, project will be funded through various departments. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized award the bid for the Construction of the Westbank Multipurpose Complex to TKTMJ, Inc. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-93 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to sign any and all documents to facilitate and join the Attorney General of Louisiana in Litigation against FEMA to challenge Risk Rating 2.0

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-93. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to sign any and all documents to facilitate and join the Attorney General of Louisiana in Litigation against FEMA to challenge Risk Rating 2.0. 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, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) "is updating the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) risk rating methodology through the implementation of a new pricing methodology," titled "Risk Rating 2.0: Equity in Action"¹; WHEREAS, FEMA states that Risk Rating 2.0's "methodology leverages industry best practices and cutting-edge technology to enable FEMA to deliver rates that are actuarially sound, equitable, easier to understand and better reflect a property's flood risk"²; WHEREAS, the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana, members of both the Louisiana legislature and the federal legislature, members of state government, numerous Parish Presidents and their Councils, and many other entities in Louisiana and around the nation have grave concerns about the soundness of Risk Rating 2.0's underlying methodology, its failure to properly take into account any of the numerous improvements that have been made to the flood protection systems, and its catastrophic effect on Louisiana's flood insurance rates and the ability of Louisiana's homeowners to purchase flood insurance; WHEREAS, many of those entities have repeatedly raised their concerns to FEMA, have asked FEMA for documentation showing FEMA's underlying methodology, and have been passed from one federal office to the next without receiving any meaningful answers to their questions or documents showing FEMA's underlying methodology; WHEREAS, FEMA has denied and continues to deny the efforts of those who are trying to protect their interests, the interests of their members, the interests of many Louisiana industries, and the interests of Louisiana citizens, making what is supposed to be "Equity in Action" an inequitable program across the entire State of Louisiana; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by 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 join the Attorney General of Louisiana in litigation against FEMA to challenge Risk Rating 2.0. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-94 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to solicit bids for Membrane Filters for the Reverse Osmosis Unit

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-94. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to solicit bids for Membrane Filters for the Reverse Osmosis Unit. 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, this is an annual bid for replacement membranes for the LaPlace Water System; and, WHEREAS, orders will be placed on an as-needed basis; and, WHEREAS, orders will be funded through the Utilities Budget. 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 Membrane Filters for the Reverse Osmosis Unit. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-95 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to solicit bids for the Hurricane Ida National Resource Conservation Services (NRCS) Drainage Canal Cleaning Phase 2 Project

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-95. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to solicit bids for the Hurricane Ida National Resource Conservation Services (NRCS) Drainage Canal Cleaning Phase 2 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, due to damages caused by Hurricane Ida, drainage canal clearing is required; and, WHEREAS, this project will include the clearing and snagging of fallen trees and debris from seventeen (17) drainage canals through the Parish; and, WHEREAS, the estimated cost is \$1,701,819 and will be funded from eligible NRCS Funds. 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 the Hurricane Ida NRCS Drainage Canal Cleaning Phase 2 Project. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-96 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to advertise Requests for Proposals (RFP) for Backflow Prevention Services

MOTION: Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-96. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to advertise Requests for Proposals (RFP) for Backflow Prevention 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, St. John the Baptist Parish is requesting proposals for Backflow Prevention Services that will provide support and

maintenance to the Utilities Departments and other Administrative Staff in various locations throughout the Parish; and, WHEREAS, services will be funded through the Utilities Budget. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized to advertise and receive proposals for Backflow Prevention Services. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-97 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Meyer Engineers, Ltd. for the REGALA Park Field No. 3 Synthetic Turf Project

MOTION: Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to amend Resolution R23-97, to include the words and Park Field No. 1. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-97 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Meyer Engineers, Ltd. for the REGALA Park Field No. 1 and Park Field No. 3 Synthetic Turf Project

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-97 as amended. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MEYER ENGINEERS, LTD. FOR THE REGALA PARK FIELD NO. 1 AND PARK FIELD NO. 3 SYNTHETIC TURF 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, Meyer Engineers, Ltd. of Metairie, LA has been selected as the Engineer for the REGALA Park Field No. 1 and Park Field No. 3 Synthetic Turf Project; and, WHEREAS, services include synthetic turf installation and new drainage on the Little League Baseball Field (Field No. 1 and Field No. 3); and, WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the Agreement is \$85,442.47 and will be funded through the Recreation 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 sign and execute the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and Meyer Engineers, Ltd. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-98 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to renew the Professional Services Agreement with Roussel's Land-Care Services, Inc. for Chemical Control and Canal Maintenance

MOTION: Councilman Arcuri moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-98. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to renew the Professional Services Agreement with Roussel's Land-Care Services, Inc. for Chemical Control and Canal Maintenance. 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, Roussel's Land-Care Services, Inc. provides chemical control and canal maintenance to fifty-six (56) canals and waterways throughout the Parish.

WHEREAS, this Renewal will add one (1) year to the original Agreement dated June 9, 2020; and, WHEREAS, the Renewal maintains the same pricing and is funded through 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 renew the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and Roussel's Land-Care Services, Inc. The motion passed with 6 yeas, 2 absent (Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder) and 1 against (Torres).

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-99 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to extend the Professional Services Agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc. for Disaster Debris Monitoring Services

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-99. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to extend the Professional Services Agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc. for Disaster Debris Monitoring 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, Tetra Tech, Inc. provides debris monitoring and tracking that is required for FEMA reimbursements and is only activated in the event of a disaster; and, WHEREAS, Extension No. 2 is the 2nd option to extend the original Agreement dated June 26, 2018 for one (1) year; and, WHEREAS, the Extension maintains the same pricing and is funded through FEMA reimbursements. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized to extend the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and Tetra Tech, Inc. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-100 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute Change Order No. 1 with Del-Con, LLC for the Hurricane Ida Disaster Related Repairs to Fire Station Facilities

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Torres seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-100. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute Change Order No. 1 with Del-Con, LLC for the Hurricane Ida Disaster Related Repairs to Fire Station Facilities. 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, Change Order No. 1 increases the original Agreement amount by \$15,814 and adds an additional six (6) calendar days; and, WHEREAS, the increase is due to the required repair of brick masonry veneer and garage roll up door at Station 53 and moisture and water damage repair to the interior Day Room at Station 71; and, WHEREAS, the increase will be funded through the Hurricane Ida Fund with FEMA Reimbursement. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish President, Jaclyn Hotard is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Council to execute Change Order No. 1 between St. John the Baptist Parish and Del-Con, LLC. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-101 - A Resolution authorizing St.

John the Baptist Parish President to execute Change Order No. 2 with Del-Con, LLC for the Hurricane Ida Disaster Related Repairs to Fire Station Facilities

MOTION: Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-101. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute Change Order No. 2 with Del-Con, LLC for the Hurricane Ida Disaster Related Repairs to Fire Station Facilities. 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, Change Order No. 2 decreases the original Agreement amount by \$1,430; and, WHEREAS, the decrease is due to the deletion of a portion of the kitchen area base cabinets in Station 71; and, WHEREAS, this project is funded through the Hurricane Ida Fund with FEMA Reimbursement. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish President, Jaclyn Hotard is hereby duly authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Council to execute Change Order No. 2 between St. John the Baptist Parish and Del-Con, LLC. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-102 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute Change Order No. 3 with TBT Contracting, Inc. for the Ezekial Jackson Airnasium Project

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-102. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute Change Order No. 3 with TBT Contracting, Inc. for the Ezekial Jackson Airnasium 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, Change Order No. 3 increases the original Agreement amount by \$1,725; and, WHEREAS, the increase is due to additional work requested for the Airnasium that was not included in the original scope of work; and, WHEREAS, this project is funded through the Recreation Budget. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, Parish President, Jaclyn Hotard is hereby authorized and empowered on behalf of the St. John the Baptist Council to execute Change Order No. 3 between St. John the Baptist Parish and TBT Contracting, Inc. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-103 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion with Pelican Roofing Company, LLC. for the Asphalt Roof Hurricane Ida Disaster Repairs

MOTION: Councilman Arcuri moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-103. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion with Pelican Roofing Company, LLC. for the Asphalt Roof Hurricane Ida Disaster Repairs. 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, this project has been deemed substantially complete by the Project Engineer; and, WHEREAS, all punch list items were identified and are near completion. 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 sign and execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion between St. John the Baptist Parish and Pelican Roofing Company, LLC. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Reed Alexander - Resolution - R23-104 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for the Central Avenue Lift Station Rehabilitation Project to Sealevel Construction, Inc.

MOTION: Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-104. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for the Central Avenue Lift Station Rehabilitation Project to Sealevel Construction, Inc. 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, Sealevel Construction, Inc. of Thibodaux, LA submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid in the amount of \$659,700; and, WHEREAS, the Central Avenue Lift Station needs to be rehabilitated to continue to provide reliable wastewater collection in the Reserve area; and, WHEREAS, rehabilitation will consist of removing and replacing pumps, motors, piping, valves, electrical and controls as well as cleaning and lining the existing wet wall; and, WHEREAS, project will be funded through the LDEQ Clean Water State Revolving Loan. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized to award the bid for the Central Avenue Lift Station Rehabilitation Project to Sealevel Construction, Inc. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Reed Alexander - Resolution - R23-105 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Infinity Engineering Consultants, LLC for the River Forest Lift Station #1 Rehabilitation Project

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-105. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Infinity Engineering Consultants, LLC for the River Forest Lift Station #1 Rehabilitation 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, Infinity Engineering Consultants, LLC., of Metairie, LA has been selected as the Engineer for the River Forest Lift Station #1 Rehabilitation Project; and, WHEREAS, the River Forest Lift Station #1 needs to be rehabilitated to continue to provide reliable wastewater collection in River Forest Service area; and, WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the Agreement is for \$50,432 and will be funded through an EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Grant and the Wastewater 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 sign and execute the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and Infinity Engineering Consultants, LLC. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Reed Alexander - Resolution - R23-106 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to renew the Professional Services Agreement with Curtis Environmental Services, Inc.

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-106. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to renew the Professional Services Agreement with Curtis Environmental Services, Inc. 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, Curtis Environmental Services, Inc. provides water and wastewater consultations, sampling and testing to meet State and Federal requirements; and, WHEREAS, this Renewal will add one (1) year to the original Agreement dated June 9, 2020; and, WHEREAS, the Renewal maintains the same pricing and is funded through the Utilities and Wastewater Budgets. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, that St. John the Baptist Parish is hereby authorized to renew the Professional Services Agreement between St. John the Baptist Parish and Curtis Environmental Services, Inc. The motion passed with 5 yeas, 3 absent (Becnel, Duhe-Griffin, Schnyder) and 1 against (Torres).

Jaclyn Hotard/Joseph Savoie - Resolution - R23-107 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for Hotmix Asphalt Overlay on Prepared Surfaces for Parish Wide Road Improvements to Barriere Construction, Co, L.L.C.

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-107. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to award the bid for Hotmix Asphalt Overlay on Prepared Surfaces for Parish Wide Road Improvements to Barriere Construction, Co, L.L.C. 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, Barriere Construction Co, L.L.C. of Boutte, LA submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid in the amount of \$1,336,975; and, WHEREAS, Improvements based on a priority list will include asphalt paving, lime stabilization, soil cement stabilization, grading, earthwork and all appurtenances necessary to complete the work; and, WHEREAS, this is an annual bid and is funded through 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 award the bid for Hotmix Asphalt Overlay on Prepared Surfaces for Parish Wide Road Improvements to Barriere Construction Co, L.L.C. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Joseph Savoie - Resolution - R23-108 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute the Certificate of Substantial

Completion with LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC. for the 2022 Parish Wide Street Ditch Drainage Improvements

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Arcuri seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-108. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion with LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC. for the 2022 Parish Wide Street Ditch Drainage Improvements. 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, this project has been deemed substantially complete by the Project Engineer and the Public Works Director; and, WHEREAS, all punch list items were identified and completed. 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 sign and execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion between St. John the Baptist Parish and LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Joseph Savoie - Resolution - R23-109 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion with LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC. for the 2021/2022 Removal and Replacement of Concrete Sidewalks, Driveways and Street Sections Parish Wide

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-109. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion with LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC. for the 2021/2022 Removal and Replacement of Concrete Sidewalks, Driveways and Street Sections Parish Wide. 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, this project has been deemed substantially complete by the Project Engineer and the Public Works Director; and, WHEREAS, all punch list items were identified and completed. 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 sign and execute the Certificate of Substantial Completion between St. John the Baptist Parish and LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard - Resolution - R23-110 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with the State of Louisiana, Department of Treasury required in connection with a line-item appropriation in Act 170 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session of the Louisiana Legislature in the sum of \$25,000 to St. John the Baptist for the funding of the Historic Riverland Heritage Site

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Torres seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-110. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish President to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with the State of Louisiana, Department of Treasury required in connection with a line-item

appropriation in Act 170 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session of the Louisiana Legislature in the sum of \$25,000 to St. John the Baptist for the funding of the Historic Riverland Heritage Site. 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, Act 170 of 2022 Regular Legislative Session of the Louisiana Legislature, which was adopted in accordance with Article VII, Section 10, of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana, is the appropriation for the expenditure of State funds, and said Act 170 contains a line item appropriation within the Agency's budget for the benefit of St. John the Baptist Parish of which the sum of \$25,000.00 has been allocated for the Historic Riverland Heritage Site, and WHEREAS, the public purpose for the described funding is to continue the preservation of the Historic Riverland Heritage Site, and WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Parish desires to cooperate with the State of Louisiana, Department of Treasury in the continued preservation of the site, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. John the Baptist Parish Council, acting as governing authority of said Parish SECTION 1. That the St. John the Baptist Parish Council does hereby authorize the Parish President to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana, Department of Treasury for the funding of the Historic Riverland Heritage Site. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

Jaclyn Hotard/Peter Montz - Resolution - R23-111 - A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to settle and pay the November 3, 2022, Property Damage Claim to Tenisha Bradley of 213 Somerset Street, LaPlace, LA 70068

MOTION: Councilman Wright moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to approve Resolution R23-111. A Resolution authorizing St. John the Baptist Parish to settle and pay the November 3, 2022, Property Damage Claim to Tenisha Bradley of 213 Somerset Street, LaPlace, LA 70068. 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, Louisiana Claims Administrators (LoCA) recommended, and Legal Counsel approved the settlement amount of \$1,500; and, WHEREAS, the settlement will be funded through the Claim/Litigation Settlement line item of the Utilities 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 November 3, 2022, Property Damage Claim to Tenisha Bradley of 213 Somerset Street, LaPlace, LA 70068. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

23-19 An ordinance authorizing the Parish President to execute an Act of Sale for the purchase of that certain immovable property located at Lot R-1-2 of Lot B of Farm Lot 8, of Woodland Plantation, located in the area generally bounded by Main Street, Columns Court, Highway 51, & Lasseigne Street, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, LA, at a purchase price to not exceed \$750.00. (J. Hotard)

CORRESPONDENCE/COUNCIL BRIEFS:

ADJOURNMENT :

At 7:30 PM, Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Houston seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed with Councilwomen Duhe-Griffin and Schnyder absent.

/s/Thomas Malik
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

/s/Jackie Landeche
Council Secretary