

MINUTES
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
GOVERNMENT BUILDING
880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen
Thursday, October 26, 2023
5:30 PM

The Following Minutes Are Summarized For Brevity, For Precise Meeting Information Please Refer To Meeting Audio Or Video.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER & REQUEST ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES BE SILENCED

A Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council was held on Thursday, October 26, 2023 and called to order at 05:30 PM. Council Chairman Carey Denstel asked that all electronic devices be placed on silent.

2. OPENING PRAYER

Councilman Atley Walker Jr. led everyone in an opening prayer.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Denstel recognized President Berthelot, who led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. LOG ATTENDANCE

The following members were recorded as being present: Messrs. Brady Hotard, Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron.

Absent: Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph.

Also present were, Mr. Riley Berthelot Jr, Parish President, Mr. Phillip Bourgoyne, Director of Finance, Mr. Jason Manola, Executive Assistant, Mr. Chance Stephens, Assistant Director of Finance, Mr. Kevin Durbin, Director of Public Works, Ms. Kristen Canezaro, Special Legal Counsel, and Mrs. Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk.

5. MINUTES APPROVAL

A. Approval of Minutes from the regular meeting of October 12, 2023.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Kershaw, seconded by Councilman Atley Walker to approve minutes from the regular meeting of October 12, 2023.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

6. CONSIDER ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There were no items to consider at this time.

7. PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Parish President Riley Berthelot was recognized and covered the following items:

November 5th Veterans Day Parade;

Meeting with Garrett Graves;

There was a brief discussion on the current burn ban.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public at this time.

9. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS AND/OR ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Mr. Kevin Durbin was recognized and notified the Council about the upcoming Master Plan Update introduction and adoption dates.

10. PUBLIC HEARING ON PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED ORDINANCES

A. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 104 Zoning to Incorporate Amended Zoning Designation Map (Zoning Plan) under Section 104-3 Establishment of Districts, Official Zoning Map For Rezoning Request of Scott & Lisa Snipe. Property

Located at 5242 Poydras Bayou Dr., La 70767. File #2023-17: As described by the WBR Assessor: Lot 2-A Cont. 11.29 AC P/O Queyrouze Prop. Master Plan Change.Rezoning .89 (+-) Acres From AG-3 (Agricultural Full Scale) to AG-1 (Agricultural Small Scale).

Mr. Kevin Durbin was recognized and notified the Council that this item was recommended for approval by the Planning & Zoning Commission.
The Chairman opened a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comment regarding the aforementioned item.
No public comments for or against said ordinance were presented. No written protests opposing the ordinance were received. The Council Chairman at this point declared the Public Hearing closed.

A motion was made by Councilman Craig Bergeron, seconded by Councilman Atley Walker to approve An Ordinance Amending Chapter 104 Zoning to Incorporate Amended Zoning Designation Map (Zoning Plan) under Section 104-3 Establishment of Districts, Official Zoning Map For Rezoning Request of Scott & Lisa Snipe. Property Located at 5242 Poydras Bayou Dr., La 70767. File #2023-17: As described by the WBR Assessor: Lot 2-A Cont. 11.29 AC P/O Queyrouze Prop. Master Plan Change. Rezoning .89 (+-) Acres From AG-3 (Agricultural Full Scale) to AG-1 (Agricultural Small Scale). Public Hearing Date: October 26, 2023.

The vote was recorded as follows:
YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)
NAYS: 0 (None)
ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)
ABSTAIN: 0 (None)
As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.
Ordinance 34 of 2023 can be found at the end of these minutes.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS TO ADOPT ADJUSTED MILLAGE RATE AND ROLL FORWARD

A. Resolution Of West Baton Rouge Parish to Adopt the Drainage Adjusted Millage Rate

The Chairman opened a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comment regarding the aforementioned item.
Mr. Chance Stephens was recognized and explained the need for this resolution to be coming before the Council for consideration for a second time.
No public comments for or against said ordinance were presented. No written protests opposing the ordinance were received. The Council Chairman at this point declared the Public Hearing closed.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Kershaw, seconded by Councilman Kenneth Gordon to approve the Resolution Of West Baton Rouge Parish to Adopt the Drainage Adjusted Millage Rate.

The vote was recorded as follows:
YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)
NAYS: 0 (None)
ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)
ABSTAIN: 0 (None)
As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.
Resolution 20 of 2023 can be found at the end of these minutes.

B. Resolution of West Baton Rouge Parish to Set Forth the Adjusted Millage Rate and Roll Forward to the Millage Rate Not Exceeding the Maximum Authorized Rate

The Chairman opened a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comment regarding the aforementioned item.
Mr. Chance Stephens was again recognized and explained the need for the consideration of this resolution for a second time.
No public comments for or against said ordinance were presented. No written protests opposing the ordinance were received. The Council Chairman at this point declared the Public Hearing closed.

A motion was made by Councilman Alan Crowe, seconded by Councilman Atley

Walker to approve A Resolution of West Baton Rouge Parish to Set Forth the Adjusted Millage Rate and Roll Forward to the Millage Rate Not Exceeding the Maximum Authorized Rate.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

Resolution 21 of 2023 can be found at the end of these minutes.

12. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Mrs. Tullier, Council Clerk read by title the below proposed ordinance/s being introduced and publicized by title, and considered for adoption following a public hearing as specified below, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers, located at 880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, La.:

- A. An Ordinance To Amend And Reenact The West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III (“Unified Development Code”), Chapter 102 (“Planning”), Article III (“West Baton Rouge Master Plan: Planwest”), Section 102-41 (“Adoption”) To Provide For The Adoption Of The Parish’s Decennial, Major Master Plan Update. Public Hearing Date: December 14, 2023
- B. An Ordinance To Amend And Reenact The West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III (“Unified Development Code”), Chapter 105 (“Subdivisions”), Article II (“Minimum Design Standards”), Section 105-40 (“Improvements”); Chapter 106 (“Site Planning”), Article II (“Stormwater Management”), Section 106-21 (“Stormwater Quantity Control In Commercial And Industrial Developments”); And Chapter 111 (“Administration And Enforcement”), Article VI (“Subdivision Approval Procedure”), Section 111-114 (“Construction Plans”) To Provide For Perpetual Maintenance Of Detention And Retention Ponds. Public Hearing Date: December 14, 2023
- C. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 104 Zoning to Incorporate Amended Zoning Designation Map (Zoning Plan) under Section 104-3 Establishment of Districts, Official Zoning Map For Rezoning Request. And Chapter 111 Administration and Enforcement, Article IV Zoning Enforcement, Section 111-78 Special, Conditional Use Requirements and Procedures For Dorothy Smith Requesting Special Use in C-1.3 for Residential/Two Family Residential. Public Hearing Date: December 14, 2023

13. CONSIDER STATUS REPORT, CHANGE ORDER AND/OR OTHER MATTERS AS REQUIRED ON CURRENT PROJECTS

- A. Consider the following items for Surplus/Scrap:

Drainage:

Tag#2426 2012 Ford F350 Pickup Vin: 1FTRF3B67CEB68315

Tag#1667 2003 Freightliner FL80 Dump Truck Vin: 1FVHBXAKX3HM07534

Detention Center:

Tag#2105 2009 John Deere JD 6330 Tractor SN: L06330H617461

Mr. Chance Stephens was again recognized and asked that the Council remove the item identified as Tag#2426 2012 Ford F350 Pickup Vin#1FTRF3B67CEB68315, noting this item will be donated to the utilities department as a callout truck. All other items still need to be considered surplus, per Mr. Stephens.

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Kershaw, seconded by Councilman Brady Hotard to approve only the two following items for Surplus/Scrap:

Drainage:

Tag#1667 2003 Freightliner FL80 Dump Truck Vin: 1FVHBXAKX3HM07534

Detention Center:

Tag#2105 2009 John Deere JD 6330 Tractor SN: L06330H617461.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

14. **RESOLUTIONS**

A. Resolution Authorizing the Parish President to sign Entity-State agreements for Lukeville Ln./Choctaw Rd. and Court St. Sidewalk Projects

Mr. Kevin Durbin was recognized and briefly explained the need for the aforementioned resolution.

A motion was made by Councilman Atley Walker, seconded by Councilman Kenneth Gordon to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Parish President to sign Entity-State agreements for Lukeville Ln./Choctaw Rd. and Court St. Sidewalk Projects.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

Resolution 22 of 2023 can be found at the end of these minutes.

B. A Resolution Authorizing The Parish President, Director Department Of Finance And Council Clerk To Sign The Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire For Audit Engagement With Hawthorn, Waymouth And Carroll, LLC., On Behalf Of West Baton Rouge Parish Council And Fire Protection District No. 1, For The Period January 1, 2023 December 31, 2023 As Prepared By The Director Department Of Finance

A motion was made by Councilman Brady Hotard, seconded by Councilman Kenneth Gordon to approve A Resolution Authorizing The Parish President, Director Department Of Finance And Council Clerk To Sign The Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire For Audit Engagement With Hawthorn, Waymouth And Carroll, LLC., On Behalf Of West Baton Rouge Parish Council And Fire Protection District No. 1, For The Period January 1, 2023 December 31, 2023 As Prepared By The Director Department Of Finance.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

Resolution 23 of 2023 can be found at the end of these minutes.

C. A Resolution authorizing the Parish President, Director of Utilities, and Director of Finance to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement for Provost, Salter, Harper and Alford, LLC. On behalf of the West Baton Rouge Parish Natural Gas & Water Systems for the period January 1, 2023– December 31, 2023

A motion was made by Councilman Chris Kershaw, seconded by Councilman Brady Hotard to approve A Resolution authorizing the Parish President, Director of Utilities, and Director of Finance to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement for Provost, Salter, Harper and Alford, LLC. On behalf of the West Baton Rouge Parish Natural Gas & Water Systems for the period January 1, 2023– December 31, 2023.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

Resolution 24 of 2023 can be found at the end of these minutes.

15. **CONSIDER SUBDIVISION PLATS, CONDEMNATIONS, WAIVERS AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

There were no items to consider at this time.

16. ALCOHOL PERMITS

A. **Browns Cafe - Located At 5823 Lukeville Ln. Brusly, La 70719 – Requesting Class AR Liquor License.**

Mrs. Tullier explained that Browns Cafe has met all of the requirements of Chapter 6 Alcoholic Beverages of the Compiled Ordinances of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

A motion was made by Councilman Brady Hotard, seconded by Councilman Kenneth Gordon to approve Browns Cafe - Located At 5823 Lukeville Ln. Brusly, La 70719 – Requesting Class AR Liquor License.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Chris Kershaw, Atley Walker, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Craig Bergeron, Brady Hotard)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Kirk Allain, Gary Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion **Passed**.

17. CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Correspondence Report from Council Clerk, Mrs. Michelle Tullier included the following items:

- Household Hazardous Materials Day October 28th from 8am - 12pm at Alexander Park;
- Next Planning & Zoning Meeting Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 5:30pm;
- Next Parish Council Meeting Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 5:30pm.

18. ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Chris Kershaw and was adopted by acclamation at 05:47 PM.



Carey Denstel, Chairman

Michelle Z. Tullier, Council Clerk

ORDINANCE 34 OF 2023

As Introduced by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council
At the Meeting of September 14, 2023
And Adopted on October 26, 2023

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 104 Zoning to Incorporate Amended Zoning Designation Map (Zoning Plan) under Section 104-3 Establishment of Districts, Official Zoning Map For Rezoning Request of Scott & Lisa Snipe. Rezoning from AG-3 to AG-1.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council in legal session that Chapter 104 Zoning, Sec. 104-3 Establishment of Districts, Official Zoning Map of the Compiled Ordinances of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana is amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec.104-3. Establishment Of Districts, Official Zoning Map For Rezoning Request Of Scott & Lisa Snipe. Property Located at 5242 Poydras Bayou Dr., La 70767. **File #2023-17:** As described by the WBR Assessor: Lot 2-A Cont. 11.29 AC P/O Queyrouze Prop. **Master Plan Change.** Rezoning .89 (+-) Acres From AG-3 (Agricultural Full Scale) to AG-1 (Agricultural Small Scale).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council that this Ordinance shall also serve as a Master Plan Change.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council that this ordinance shall become effective pursuant to Section 2-12 (C) of the Home Rule Charter.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE AFTER HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A PUBLIC HEARING WAS CONSIDERED, AND UPON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CRAIG BERGERON, WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ATLEY WALKER. THE ORDINANCE WAS SUBMITTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

ABSTAIN: 0 (NONE)

ATTEST:


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

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District IX



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RESOLUTION 20 OF 2023

BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on October 26th, 2023, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following **adjusted** millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2023, for the purpose of raising revenue:

Drainage (1078008):

7.080 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2023 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

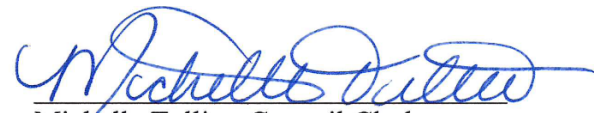
The Foregoing Resolution Was Read In Full, And, After Public Discussion, A Motion To Approve Was Made By Council Member Chris Kershaw, Which Was Seconded By Council Member Kenneth Gordon .

The Roll Was Called On The Adoption Thereof, And The Resolution Was Adopted By The Following Votes:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Kershaw, Walker, Denstel, Crowe, Hotard, Gordon, Bergeron)
NAYS: 0 (None)
ABSTAIN: 0 (None)
ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Allain, Joseph)

Passed by a majority vote of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council on the 26th Day of October, 2023.

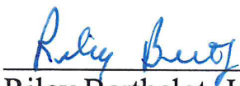
ATTEST:


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the meeting held on October 26th, 2023, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Port Allen, Louisiana, this 26th day of October, 2023.


Riley Berthelot, Jr., Parish President

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RESOLUTION 21 OF 2023

BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on October 26th, 2023, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2023, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>2023 Levy</u>
Drainage (1078008):	7.080 mills	7.20 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2023 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

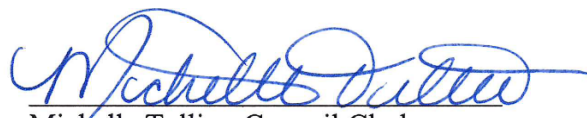
The foregoing resolution was read in full, A motion was made by Council Member Alan Crowe, and seconded by Council Member Atley Walker, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by no less than two-thirds of the total membership of the taxing authority voting in favor as required by Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B). The votes were:

The Roll Was Called On The Adoption Thereof, And The Resolution Was Adopted By The Following Votes:
The Roll Was Called On The Adoption Thereof, And The Resolution Was Adopted By The Following Votes:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Kershaw, Walker, Denstel, Crowe, Hotard, Gordon, Bergeron)
NAYS: 0 (None)
ABSTAIN: 0 (None)
ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Allain, Joseph)

Passed by a majority vote of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council on the 26th Day of October, 2023.

ATTEST:


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the meeting held on October 26th, 2023, at which meeting at least two-thirds of the total membership was present and voting.

Port Allen, Louisiana, this 26th day of October, 2023.


Riley Berthelot, Jr., Parish President

RESOLUTION 22 OF 2023

A Resolution To Authorize The Parish President To Execute The Entity-State Agreements Between The Parish Of West Baton Rouge And The Louisiana Department Of Transportation For Funding And Responsibility For Two (2) Sidewalk Projects (State Project Number H.014936, La. Hwy. 989-1 / 989-2, Lukeville Lane / Choctaw Road And State Project Number H.014944, La. 415 To La. 1 Corridor Multi-Use Path, Court Street / Tourist Commission)

WHEREAS West Baton Rouge Parish Government has sought and successfully secured partial funding for both the Lukeville Lane / Choctaw Road sidewalk project as well as the Court Street / Tourist Commission sidewalk project **AND**

WHEREAS in order to secure said funding, the Parish is required to enter into various Agreements with the funding agency (DOTD) **AND**

WHEREAS this Council has previously supported – and continues to support – partnerships with state and federal agencies to provide alternative transportation solutions for the people and businesses in West Baton Rouge Parish, **AND**

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with said agreement, LaDOTD requires that the legislative body of the local government authorizes its chief executive “the Parish President” to execute the agreements titled:

**ENTITY /STATE AGREEMENT
STATE PROJECT NO. H.014944
FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. H014944
LA415 TO LA1 CORRIDOR MULTI-USE PATH
LA415TO LA1
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH
&
ENTITY/STATE AGREEMENT
STATE PROJECT NO. H.014936
FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. H014936
LA 989-1 AND LA 989-2 SIDEWALKS WBR
LA 989-1 AND LA 989-2
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Parish President Riley L. Berthelot, Jr. is hereby authorized to execute an Entity-State Agreement (“ESA”) for both the Lukeville Lane / Choctaw Road sidewalk project (State Project Number H.014936) and the Court Street / Tourist Commission sidewalk project (State Project Number H.014944); both Agreements being between West Baton Rouge Parish

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to the extent that prior resolutions or acts of this council which conflict with this resolution, those prior resolutions and actions are superseded by this resolution.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

A MOTION TO ADOPT the above resolution was made by Council Member Atley Walker, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gordon, and resulted in the following vote:

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Walker, Gordon, Kershaw, Denstel, Crowe, Hotard, Bergeron)

NAYS: 0 (None)

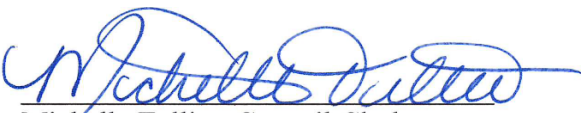
ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Allain, Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

Passed by a majority vote of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council on the 26th Day of October, 2023.

CERTIFICATE

I, Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said body at its Regular Meeting of October 26, 2023 at which meeting a majority of the members were present and voting.


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

RESOLUTION 23 OF 2023

A Resolution Authorizing The Parish President, Director- Department Of Finance And Council Clerk To Sign The Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire For Audit Engagement With Hawthorn, Waymouth And Carroll, LLC., On Behalf Of West Baton Rouge Parish Council And Fire Protection District No. 1, For The Period January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023 As Prepared By The Director- Department Of Finance

WHEREAS, as mandated by State Law the West Baton Rouge Parish Council completed the compliance questionnaire for audit engagements as a required part of a financial audit of Louisiana governmental units and quasi-public entities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Baton Rouge Parish Council does hereby authorize the Parish President, Director-Department of Finance and Council Clerk to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement for the period January 1, 2023-December 31, 2023 as prepared by the Director-Department of Finance.

The Foregoing Resolution Was Considered, And After Public Discussion, A Motion To Approve Was Made By Council Member Brady Hotard, Which Was Seconded By Council Member Kenneth Gordon.

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

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Hotard, Gordon, Kershaw, Walker, Denstel, Crowe, Bergeron)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Allain, Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

AND the resolution was declared adopted on this **26th Day of October, 2023.**

CERTIFICATE

I, Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said body at its Regular Meeting of October 26, 2023 at which meeting a majority of the members were present and voting.



Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

RESOLUTION 24 OF 2023

A Resolution authorizing the Parish President, Director of Utilities, and Director of Finance to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement for Provost, Salter, Harper and Alford, LLC. On behalf of the West Baton Rouge Parish Natural Gas & Water Systems for the period
January 1, 2023– December 31, 2023

WHEREAS, as mandated by State Law the West Baton Rouge Parish Council completed the compliance questionnaire for audit engagements as a required part of a financial audit of Louisiana governmental units and quasi-public entities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Baton Rouge Parish Council does hereby authorize the Parish President, Director of Utilities, and Director of Finance to sign the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement for the period January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023.

The Foregoing Resolution Was Considered, And, After Public Discussion, A Motion to Approve Was Made by Council Member Chris Kershaw, Which Was Seconded By Council Member Brady Hotard.

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

YEAS: 7 (Messrs. Kershaw, Hotard, Walker, Denstel, Crowe, Gordon, Bergeron)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 2 (Messrs. Allain, Joseph)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

AND the resolution was declared adopted on this **26th Day of October, 2023.**

CERTIFICATE

I, Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said body at its Regular Meeting of October 26, 2023 at which meeting a majority of the members were present and voting.



Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

