



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 04, 2022 at 5:30 PM

Council Meeting Room, 101 North State Street,
Abbeville, Louisiana 70510

AGENDA

NOTICE POSTED: October 3, 2022 at 4:00 P.M.

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order by Mayor
Roll Call by Kathy Faulk
Prayer
Pledge

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(To allow comments on any of the following items prior to action.)

PERSONNEL

PRESENTATIONS

1. Mr. Jared Meaux with Global Medical Response to discuss the ambulance service in Vermilion Parish.
2. Mr. Woody Woodruff to discuss the request from District Attorney Don Landry regarding a pledge of \$189,302.00 from the City as a match for a State Capital Outlay request to fund a new Acadiana Crime Lab.
3. Mr. Ronald Gaspard to discuss the upcoming Louisiana Cattle Festival.
4. Ms. Talitha Boudreaux to discuss Teen Court.

MINUTES AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

1. To approve the minutes from the Committee meeting and special City Council meeting held on September 20, 2022 and the regular City Council meetings held on September 6, 2022 and September 20, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public hearing to receive comments from the public on the following proposed ordinances:
 - (A). To amend Section 5-268, Finding for permit, to remove "City Attorney" from the section and replace with "the Mayor or his or her designee".
 - (B). To remove Article II, Cutting Pavement, Sections 16-21 through 16-29 and replace with same.
2. To accept the recommendation from the September 20, 2022 Ordinance Committee to adopt an ordinance to amend Section 5-268, Findings for Permit, to remove "City Attorney" from the Section and replace with "the Mayor or his or her designee".
3. To accept the recommendation from the September 20, 2022 Ordinance Committee to adopt an ordinance to remove Article II, Cutting Pavement, Sections 16-21 through 16-29 and replace with same.
4. To authorize the Mayor to execute the fiscal agency agreement between the City of Abbeville, Bank of Abbeville and Gulf Coast Bank.
5. To surplus a Glock 17 Gen 5 bearing serial number BMWY555 that was Lieutenant Todd O'Bryan's service weapon so that the Fraternal Order of Police can purchase the weapon at fair market value to present to Lieutenant O'Bryan since he has retired.
6. To authorize the purchase of various rebuilt transformers from Solomon Corporation at a cost of \$23,020.00 for stock.
7. To approve a Class A and Class R liquor license for Tito's LaCasa Restaurant located at 124 Concord Street pending completion and approved signature survey.
8. To approve the subdivision of property located at 501 Veterans Memorial, formally the Schwegmann property.

9. To approve a food truck permit for G & G Quality Catering to be parked at 2401 Veterans Memorial Drive (Stine's parking lot).
10. Announcement of Halloween activities -Councilwoman Terry Broussard.
11. Discussion about re-establishing the Park and Recreation Board - Councilman Carlton Campbell.

OLD BUSINESS

1. None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND UPDATES

1. Engineers
2. Attorney
3. Public Works Director
4. Parks and Recreation Director
5. Mayor
6. Police Chief
7. Fire Chief

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Council Members

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact Mayor Roslyn White's office at 337-893-8550, describing the assistance that is necessary.

Acadiana Crime Lab
Parish Summary - Detailed

Parish	Agency Name	Available ARPA Funds	ARPA Funding Source	ARPA Allocation	Total Number of Cases	% of Cases	Cash Match
Acadia	✓ Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 12,051,514	Acadia Parish	Parish Allocation	229	3.69%	\$ 184,469
	✓ Church Point Police Department	\$ 1,612,926	Church Point Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	92	1.48%	\$ 74,110
	✓ Crowley Police Department	\$ 4,655,701	Crowley City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	199	3.21%	\$ 160,303
	✓ Iota Police Department	\$ 529,998	Iota Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	14	0.23%	\$ 11,278
	✓ Rayne Police Department	\$ 2,955,860	Rayne City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	80	1.29%	\$ 64,443
Acadia Total					614	9.89%	\$ 494,603
Evangeline	Basile Police Department	\$ 659,446	Basile Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	13	0.21%	\$ 10,472
	Evangeline Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 6,486,587	Evangeline Parish	Parish Allocation	14	0.23%	\$ 11,278
	Mamou Police Department	\$ 1,153,199	Mamou Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	23	0.37%	\$ 18,527
	Pine Prairie Police Department	\$ 537,765	Pine Prairie Village	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	3	0.05%	\$ 2,417
	Ville Platte Police Department	\$ 2,601,171	Ville Platte City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	44	0.71%	\$ 35,444
Evangeline Total					97	1.56%	\$ 78,138
Iberia	Delcambre Police Department	\$ 683,857	Delcambre Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	7	0.11%	\$ 5,639
	Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 13,563,659	Iberia Parish	Parish Allocation	217	3.50%	\$ 174,803
	Jeanerette City Marshal	\$ 1,929,889	Jeanerette City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	20	0.32%	\$ 16,111
	Jeanerette Police Department	\$ 1,929,889	Jeanerette City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	35	0.56%	\$ 28,194
	Louisiana Probation & Parole-NI District	\$ 10,523,779	New Iberia City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	1	0.02%	\$ 806
	New Iberia Police Department	\$ 10,523,779	New Iberia City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	518	8.35%	\$ 417,271
Iberia Total					798	12.86%	\$ 642,823
Lafayette	✓ Broussard Police Department	\$ 4,697,125	Broussard City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	38	0.61%	\$ 30,611
	✓ Carencro Police Department	\$ 3,494,735	Carencro City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	46	0.74%	\$ 37,055
	✓ Duson Police Department	\$ 653,898	Duson Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	38	0.61%	\$ 30,611
	LA Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries-Lafayette	\$ 38,256,658	Lafayette City	Metropolitan City	4	0.06%	\$ 3,222
	Lafayette City Marshal	\$ 38,256,658	Lafayette City	Metropolitan City	6	0.10%	\$ 4,833
	Lafayette Fire Department	\$ 38,256,658	Lafayette City	Metropolitan City	4	0.06%	\$ 3,222
	Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 47,469,893	Lafayette Parish	Parish Allocation	676	10.89%	\$ 544,546
	Lafayette Police Department	\$ 38,256,658	Lafayette City	Metropolitan City	1141	18.38%	\$ 919,124
	✓ Scott Police Department	\$ 3,208,469	Scott City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	23	0.37%	\$ 18,527
	Univ. of Louisiana at Lafayette Police	\$ 38,256,658	Lafayette City	Metropolitan City	7	0.11%	\$ 5,639
	✓ Youngsville Police Department	\$ 5,438,309	Youngsville City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	10	0.16%	\$ 8,055
	Lafayette Total					1993	32.11%
St. Landry	Arnaudville Police Department	\$ 386,865	Arnaudville Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	3	0.05%	\$ 2,417
	Eunice Police Department	\$ 3,629,731	Eunice City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	106	1.71%	\$ 85,387

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Acadiana Crime Lab
Parish Summary - Detailed

Parish	Agency Name	Available ARPA Funds	ARPA Funding Source	ARPA Allocation	Total Number of Cases	% of Cases	Cash Match
St. Landry	Grand Coteau Police Department	\$ 334,716	Grand Coteau Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	4	0.06%	\$ 3,222
	Leonville Police Department	\$ 407,577	Leonville Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	2	0.03%	\$ 1,611
	Opelousas City Marshal	\$ 5,884,721	Opelousas City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	2	0.03%	\$ 1,611
	Opelousas Police Department	\$ 5,884,721	Opelousas City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	281	4.53%	\$ 226,357
	St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 15,951,624	St. Landry Parish	Parish Allocation	101	1.63%	\$ 81,360
	Sunset Police Department	\$ 1,058,147	Sunset Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	16	0.26%	\$ 12,889
	Washington Police Department	\$ 338,045	Washington Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	1	0.02%	\$ 806
St. Landry Total					516	8.31%	\$ 415,660
St. Martin	Breaux Bridge Police Department	\$ 3,013,557	Breaux Bridge City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	146	2.35%	\$ 117,609
	Henderson Police Department	\$ 663,885	Henderson Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	39	0.63%	\$ 31,416
	St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 10,378,345	St. Martin Parish	Parish Allocation	177	2.85%	\$ 142,581
	St. Martinville Police Department	\$ 2,152,540	St. Martinville City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	38	0.61%	\$ 30,611
St. Martin Total					400	6.44%	\$ 322,217
St. Mary	Berwick Police Department	\$ 1,634,377	Berwick Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	174	2.80%	\$ 140,164
	Chitimacha Tribal Police Department	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	31	0.50%	\$ 24,972
	Franklin Police Department	\$ 2,481,339	Franklin City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	69	1.11%	\$ 55,582
	Morgan City Police Department	\$ 3,972,954	Morgan City City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	271	4.37%	\$ 218,302
	Patterson Police Department	\$ 2,142,184	Patterson City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	116	1.87%	\$ 93,443
	St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 9,585,270	St. Mary Parish	Parish Allocation	408	6.57%	\$ 328,661
	St. Mary Total					1069	17.22%
Vermilion	✓ Abbeville Police Department	\$ 4,452,283	Abbeville City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	235	3.79%	\$ 189,302
	✓ Erath Police Department	\$ 754,128	Erath Town	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	22	0.35%	\$ 17,722
	✓ Kaplan Police Department	\$ 1,635,487	Kaplan City	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	65	1.05%	\$ 52,360
	✓ Maurice Police Department	\$ 595,092	Maurice Village	NEU (Non-Entitlement Unit)	2	0.03%	\$ 1,611
	✓ Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office	\$ 11,559,314	Vermilion Parish	Parish Allocation	396	6.38%	\$ 318,995
Vermilion Total					720	11.60%	\$ 579,990
Grand Total					6207	100.00%	\$ 5,000,000

References:
 NEU Application Portal <https://www.cjprd.doa.louisiana.gov/ARP-NEU/>
 NEU Allocations <https://gov.louisiana.gov/assets/docs/NEUAllocations.pdf>



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July 14, 2022

Chief Mike Hardy
Abbeville Police Department
304 Charity Street
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RE: Acadiana Crime Lab

Dear Chief Hardy:

I hope this correspondence finds you doing well. I am sure you know how important the Acadiana Crime Lab is in helping all of us in crime detection, prevention, investigation, and other services.

As you are aware, the Acadiana Crime Lab services the parishes of Acadia, Lafayette and Vermilion along with Evangeline, Iberia, St. Mary, St. Landry and St. Martin. There has been a significant increase in demand for services and the facility is in need of repairs, expansion, and upgrading.

The Acadiana Crime Lab has submitted a Capital Outlay Request to the State of Louisiana for funding to plan, construct and equip a much-needed new crime lab. Since the Acadiana Crime Lab is so important to the health, safety and welfare of our citizens, I am reaching out to you for assistance.

Should the Capital Outlay Request be funded, local matching funds may be necessary. That is why I am reaching out to you for help. I have attached a Resolution which I ask that you bring to the attention of your Mayor and/or City/Town Attorney for consideration. The amount of matching funds specified in the Resolution is based on a very fair formula which takes into consideration the total number of cases submitted by your department.

Please submit this Resolution at your earliest convenience. I am available to discuss this important issue with you at any time. My cell number is 337-298-0978 when

you are ready to discuss the Resolution and of course I can attend any meeting when this Resolution might be scheduled for discussion and/or adoption.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Landry", written in a cursive style.

DONALD D. LANDRY
District Attorney
15TH Judicial District

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Enclosure

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ACADIANA CRIMINALISTICS LABORATORY DISTRICT CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP A NEW ACADIANA CRIMINALISTICS LABORATORY; COMMITTING TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$189,302 SHOULD SAID CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST BE FUNDED BY THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS BE REQUIRED; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana operating the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory for the purpose of crime detection, prevention, investigation and other related criminal investigative services; and

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District boundaries include the parishes of Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary and Vermilion; and

WHEREAS, the current Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory facility is in need of repairs, expansion and upgrading to meet the increased demand for its services by the law enforcement, prosecutorial, and judicial community; and

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District has submitted a Capital Outlay Request to the State of Louisiana for funding to plan, construct and equip a much-needed new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory, including office, evidence storage and laboratory space; and

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory Project is extremely important to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Acadiana Region; and

WHEREAS, most Capital Outlay Requests require some level of local matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Abbeville City Council wishes to express its full and complete support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request and its commitment to provide its pro-rata share of any required matching funds should the Request be funded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Abbeville City Council hereby expresses its full and complete support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request to the State of Louisiana for funding to plan, construct and equip a new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Abbeville City Council also commits to provided matching funds in the amount of \$189,302 should the Capital Outlay Request made by the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District be funded by the State of Louisiana and local matching funds required.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City of Abbeville City Council and approved by the Mayor.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

And the Resolution was declared effective this ____ day of _____, 2022.

Abbeville Teen Court Budget Narrative

A. Salary – Total: \$65,000.00

Site Coordinator will spend 100% of their time providing direct service to the participants; interview the youth and their parents; attends all Teen Court sessions; prepare Teen Court forms, check youth volunteer's availability; keep track of jurors' attendance; arrange volunteers for court dates and prepare court packets. This individual's annual salary is and will be covered for the 12 months of the contract totaling **\$23,400.00**.

Outreach Coordinator is a part-time assistant which will provide excellent communication, organizational skills, home visits, marketing, promote the services and recruit volunteers. This individual's annual salary is **\$19,500.00** and will be covered for the 12 months of the contract year.

Caseworker will be responsible for filing and maintaining case files, interviewing participants to assess their situational needs, determine which services and assistance are necessary for participants, develop a plan of action, plan regular follow-ups to assess progress, ad review and modify plans. This individual's annual salary is **\$22,100.00** and will be covered for the 12 months of the contract year.

B. Staff Development – Total: \$1250.00

The Staff will attend workshops and training to remain up to date with OJJDP standards.

C. Equipment Purchases – Total: \$1,200.00

One computer package including printer, scanner, and Word Programs will be purchased. The computer will be based in the administrative office and will be used to develop and maintain client databases in addition to performing administrative work connected to this program.

D. Operating Services - \$32,950.00

Printing- include flyers, brochures, forms, handouts, training information, binders, etc - **\$2,500.00**

Insurance- Million-dollar liability coverage including mobility - **\$1,600.00**

Rental Building- Rent of building \$1,500.00 a month totaling **\$18,000.00** year

Dues & Subscription – Maintain membership with website, alarm system, and organizations **\$1,250.00**

Postage – includes mailing, postage of program announcements, reports, etc. \$100.00 per month x 12 months = **\$1,200.00**

Telephone/Internet Bundle – This is service is needed to stay connected to funding sources, parents, community collaborators and staff. \$200 a month x 12 months = **\$2,400.00**

Utilities – Includes lights, water, and gas \$500 per month x 12 months = **\$6000.00**

E. Operating Supplies - \$23,100.00

Office Supplies – includes binders, file folders, printer paper, toner, staples, etc. **\$6,500.00**

Medical Supplies – First Aid Kit, sanitizing equipment **\$500.00**

Food – snacks and meals providing to youth volunteers, meetings and workshops \$100 per month x 12 months = **\$1,200.00**

Youth/Offender Personal – Provide clothing for offenders and youth volunteers for court, personal cleanse items, etc. **\$1250.00**

Youth/Adult Volunteer – Official Teen Court shirts \$30 per shirt x 100 = **\$3000.00** and Official Teen Court padfolio and other materials **\$750.00**

Other Supplies – Curricula cost – \$90.00 per participant x 110 participant = **\$9,900**

F. Professional Services – \$1,500.00

Accounting & Auditing – auditing of financial files **\$1,500.00**

Total budget is \$125,000.00

We are looking for office space to use and that will decrease our cost to **\$101,000.00**

Empowering children to serve

New Iberia Teen Court (NITC) will serve as a diversion program for current youth offenders. Students that are serving on NITC will act as court officials during a real sentencing trial for first-time misdemeanor offenders. Students will serve as attorneys, bailiffs, clerks, jurors, and judges and work together to determine a sentence for the defendant.

Through Teen Court we hope to expose our student volunteers to the processes of the judicial system giving them a better understanding of the process. We also hope to inspire all youth involved to take pride and find joy in participating in government at all levels.

New Iberia Teen Court aims to create an effective environment of peer justice.

About Teen Court

Teen Court is a diversion program for current youth offenders. Teen Court will accept real cases of juvenile delinquency to be heard in a court of their peers. Offenders will have the opportunity to receive a trial of their peers and to have the offense removed from their record.

Volunteers and offenders will benefit greatly from this program.

Teen Court Programs

Through Teen Court, volunteers and participants will be exposed to a variety of programs and opportunities to support their educational and social growth. These programs include:

- Mentoring
 - Counseling and Rehabilitation Services
 - College Scholarships
- & More!

Achievements

Cities that have adopted Teen Court have been successful in decreasing the amount of juveniles that become repeated offenders.

The programs structure and focus on peer justice has proven effective among juvenile delinquents.



*Just A Kid
from New
Iberia*

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*New Iberia
Teen Court*

JUSTICE FOR TEENS BY TEENS

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met for a committee meeting on September 20, 2022 at 4:50 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Roslyn R. White, Mayor, presiding.

Members Present: Council Members Carlton Campbell, Terry Broussard, and Brady Broussard, Jr.

Members Absent: Councilman Tony Hardy
Councilman Francis Touchet, Jr.

Also Present: Bart Broussard, City Attorney
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Chris Gautreaux, Public Works Director
Sarah Alpough, Director of Revenue, Regulatory Codes & Permits
Gene Sellers, Engineer

Mayor White stated that we are here for an Ordinance meeting chaired by Councilman Tony Hardy. She asked if there were any comments from the public on any agenda item. There were none.

Since Councilman Hardy was not present for the meeting, Mayor White introduced the first proposed ordinance. It is to discuss a proposed ordinance to amend Section 5-268, Findings for permit, to remove "City Attorney" from the section and replace with "the Mayor or his or her designee". We have been going through all of the ordinances and as we find issues with them, we will bring them to committee. In the sign ordinance, it is written that the City Attorney will approve the sign application and then it can be ratified by the Planning Commission. It is Mayor White's recommendation, after consulting with the new City Attorney, that the language in the existing ordinance can be replaced as presented in the proposed ordinance. The City Attorney would not need to be involved with looking at the sign application. She can look at it or she can ask Richard Primeaux to look at it. We don't feel it is a legal duty.

-01 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to recommend to the City Council at their next meeting scheduled for October 4, 2022 to adopt an ordinance to amend Section 5-268, Findings for permit, to remove "City Attorney" from the section and replace with "the Mayor or his or her designee". The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White discussed the second proposed ordinance. It is an ordinance to remove Article II, Cutting Pavement, Section 16-21 through 16-29 and replace with same. Sarah brought this to her attention that we have a boring permit that has been applied for by AT&T to put fiber by Gulf Coast Bank. They had some issues with our permitting process. One was that they were given the wrong application so the value of the fees were off compared to other municipalities. We also noted that there is no language in our existing ordinance for boring specifically. After a lot of conversations back and forth, we pulled an ordinance from another municipality that is comprehensive and Bart has revised our ordinance. The cleanest way is to remove the existing section completely and replace it with all new language. Bart stated that we had some issues with at least one or two of the ordinances and there was some language that really didn't apply anymore. It has some classifications of streets and other various things that the City no longer did. The best was to do it is to strike the entire section and re-establish it. It is much cleaner and more organized. Mayor White stated that one of the goals of this is to require a simple fee of \$10 to \$25. The reason for that is that those utilities have to come here and get a permit. When they come in to get a permit, we will require them to give a work order, who their contractor is and their contact information and what the location is so that Chris and Sarah both have a record of who is doing the work and cutting into our city streets. When we get calls about problems, we know who made the cut and who we need to hold accountable. The small fee is just a step in the process to make sure they come in and record it before they cut into the street. This will be a good process to put in place.

-02 introduced by Mr. Carlton Campbell and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to recommend to the City Council at their next meeting scheduled for October 4, 2022, to adopt an ordinance to remove Article II, Cutting Pavement, Section 16-21 through 16-29 and replace with same. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor White declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Roslyn R. White
Mayor

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Abbeville met in special session on September 20, 2022 at 5:00 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Roslyn R. White, Mayor presiding.

Members Present: Council Members, Carlton Campbell, Terry Broussard, Brady Broussard, Jr., Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Tony Hardy

Members Absent: None

Also, Present: Bart Broussard, City Attorney
Chris Gautreaux, Public Works Director
Sarah Alpough, Director of Revenue, Regulatory Codes & Permits
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Gene Sellers, Engineer
Bernadine Rideau, owner 718 I. J. Joiner property

Mayor White called the special City Council meeting to order.

-01 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to deviate from the meeting to move item number 2, public hearing and discussion with the property owner or their designee pertaining to the condemnation of the structure located at 1511 Wabash Street and to authorize action if needed, to item number 4 because Councilman Touchet is running late and this property is in his district. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White asked if there were any comments from the public about any agenda item prior to action. There were none.

708 Coulee Kinney Road – *No representative was present for the property. Councilman Hardy stated that there is never anyone there. Mayor White stated that there is no one living there and there is junk all over. The campers are all torn apart. She would like to condemn the campers left on the site. That way we can clean the property. Councilman Hardy stated that he would like to make sure all the rubbish and junk is cleaned up too.*

-02 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to condemn the structures at 708 Coulee Kinney Road and authorize the tax department to obtain bids to remove the campers and clean the property of rubbish and junk. The motion carried unanimously.

718 I. J. Joiner – *Ms. Bernadine Rideau appeared to represent the property. Councilwoman Broussard asked Ms. Rideau what her intentions were with the property. Ms. Rideau stated that they would paint it and board it up. They are using the house for storage so she does not intend for anyone to live in it. Councilwoman Broussard stated that in the future, the City will start cracking down on the abandoned homes because this is where they are breaking in and hiding their guns and running from the Police. Those are things that we are trying to avoid. When the people in the neighborhood call, we have to act on that. Ms. Rideau stated that she would board it up until they have enough money to try and tear it down. Mayor White stated that with the price of materials, for plywood, you might be better off just trying to get it demolished. Ms. Rideau stated that they already have the materials. Councilman Campbell asked how long the*

structure has been vacant. Ms. Rideau stated since 2018 or 2019. Mayor White asked is she could get it torn down within six months. Ms. Rideau stated that she could not. She called for a dumpster and it is over \$500 to get it delivered plus \$10 per day. Mayor White stated that Ms. Rideau could tear it down herself and make an appointment with the Police Jury to pick it up. If she does the work herself, they may be able to do that. She suggested that she check with the Police Jury to be sure. We would want the appointment made prior to the beginning of the demolition so that it does not sit at the road. That would save you on the dumpster fees. Councilwoman Broussard gave her the phone number to contact the police jury. Mayor White stated that there is a blighted property grant that may be coming up. If we condemn the property, we can put this property on the list and if the City gets the grant, the City can assist with the cleaning of the property at no charge. There is no guarantee that we will get the grant. If we don't get the grant, the structure will still have to be torn down at some point. We would need to condemn the property first and then put it on the list. If we do not get the grant, it would have to come back before the Council for the owner to tear it down. Ms. Rideau agreed to place the property on the list and she stated that she understood that if the City does not get the grant, she would have to have the structure demolished. Mayor White stated that the structure would still need to be secured so that there is no drug activity and if you do tear the structure down, please let us know so we can remove it from the list. Councilwoman Broussard gave Ms. Rideau her contact information so she could keep in touch with her about the property.

-03 introduced Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to condemn the structure (house) located at 718 I. J. Joiner and to put the property on the list for the blighted property removal grant. If the City does not receive the grant, the property will have to be brought back before the Council for action in order to get it demolished. The motion carried unanimously.

1702 Oscar Street – no representative appeared to represent the property. Councilwoman Broussard stated that somebody is living there. Mayor White stated that there is a lot of rubbish on the property.

-04 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to authorize the tax department to obtain bids to remove all the rubbish and junk from 1702 Oscar Street. The motion carried unanimously.

1511 Wabash Street – no representative appeared to represent the property. Councilman Touchet stated that he wants the property condemned and wants to move immediately to get the structure demolished.

-05 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Tony Hardy to condemn the structure at 1511 Wabash Street and to authorize the tax department to obtain bids to have the structure demolished. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor White declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Roslyn R. White
Mayor

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met in regular session on September 6, 2022 at 5:30 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room, located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Roslyn R. White, Mayor, presiding.

Members Present: Council Members, Carlton Campbell, Terry Broussard, Brady Broussard, Jr., Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Tony Hardy

Members Absent: None

Also, Present: Bart Broussard, City Attorney
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Mike Hardy, Police Chief
Gene Sellers, Engineer
Kim Touchet, Engineer
Chris Gautreaux, Public Works Director
Charlene Beckett, Main Street Manger
Allie Horton, Digital Media Assistant
Tommy Picard, Parks & Recreation Director, QSA
Gerald Gaspard, American Legion
Hailee Wiggins & Nikia LeBlanc, Abbeville Community Cleanup Day

Mayor White asked Charlene Beckett to lead those assembled in prayer. Mayor White asked Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr. to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor White asked if there were any public comments from the audience on any agenda item prior to action. There were none.

Ms. Hailee Wiggins discussed Abbeville's Community Cleanup Day that will be held on September 24, 2022 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. She asked for input from the City Council regarding the areas that need to be cleaned up. They will start the day at the Christian Service Center on Chevis Street and they will also end there at about 12:00 PM with lunch. The City will help us with the pickup. She distributed a map of the proposed areas that will be cleaned. Mayor White stated that Lynn had submitted an email to the City Council members to ask for any areas of concern in their districts. She asked the Council Members to submit their list to Lynn as soon as possible so they can map it out. Last year was a very successful event. There were over 120 volunteers and they picked up 530 tires in one day. Hailee would like the routes as soon as possible. Keep Abbeville Beautiful will be helping them. The Police Jury will allow us to bring in whatever we pick up that day. Ms. Hailee stated there is a Google form for people to sign up to volunteer so they can have a head count. Soulful eats will supply them with some burgers. Charlene Becket stated that KAB wrote a supply grant for grabbers, trash bags and other things that we can give them to help with the cleanup. Councilman Touchet stated that we have people who come to the City of Abbeville every day and the entrances are the first thing they see. What will it take for the public to understand not to litter? We have to find a solution to keep this area clean. Mayor White stated that our resources are very limited. We have two teams out there. If you read our ordinances, it is actually the individual landowner's responsibility to keep their grass up and pick up litter on their shoulder in front of their house. Everybody needs to take pride in the house they live in. She

walks outside every day and picks up litter in front of her house and her neighbor's house. That is what it will take. The people of Abbeville will have to decide that they don't want to live in filth and pick up the trash in front of their house. It will take the citizens being responsible for their own little kingdom and keeping it up. We can't pay enough people to keep it up. The volunteer days are great but in between it gets bad. It will take enforcement and people taking pictures and shaming them when they throw something out of their window and it will take people being responsible for their own property. Charlene stated at the KAB meeting this morning, they decided to bombard people with pictures of litter and write an article about the trash going in our river. This is one of the reasons why we flood. Councilwoman Broussard stated that she had rode around her district and took pictures about the dumping and then Shaun put that in the newspaper. It had helped. It is the young people who are littering. Charlene stated that they will try to do four cleanups per year. A lot of the problems are the piles that need to be picked up by the Police Jury. That is their responsibility. Mayor White stated that public awareness will help us with the littering issue too.

-01 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Tony Hardy to approve the minutes from the Personnel Interview meetings held on August 2, 2022 and August 16, 2022, the Committee meetings held on August 2, 2022 and August 16, 2022, the special City Council meeting held on August 4, 2022 and the regular City Council meetings held on August 2, 2022 and August 16, 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

-02 introduced by Ms. Terry Broussard and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to ratify the payment of bills for the month of August 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

-03 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to enter into a public hearing to receive comments from the public regarding a proposed ordinance to amend Section 2-9, Designation of municipal officers and appointment of same, to remove (2) City Attorney. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White asked if there were any comments from the public regarding the proposed ordinance. There were none.

-04 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Tony Hardy to reconvene the regular meeting from public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

**Campbell/T. Broussard
Ordinance 22-05**

An ordinance to amend Section 2-9, Designation of municipal officers and appointment of same, to remove (2) City Attorney.

The motion was put to a vote and the vote thereupon was as follows:

YEAS: 5 (Campbell, T. Broussard, B. Broussard, Touchet, Hardy)
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

Therefore, the ordinance was adopted unanimously.

Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr. discussed the Great Acadian Awakening to be held in Magdalen Square on October 1, 2022. There will be up to 1,000 people in our downtown. We will have food and French music by our French Immersion children and our Grammy award winner, Steve Riley

and the Mamou Playboys. We will have gumbo and oysters. This is the story of the people of South Louisiana. We will have a play. The entire Vermilion Parish community will be represented. Abbeville is fortunate enough to have the grand opening of the Great Acadian Awakening. He and the Mayor are working with the Vermilion Parish Tourist Commission and Louisiane-Acadie. Louisiane-Acadie is putting on the event October 1, 2022 through October 9, 2022. It will move all over Acadiana. The City and the Parish are working with the Lieutenant Governor's office for funding from the State to assist us with this. We are the warmest and most loving people to welcome our cousins and guests and visitors who want to learn what we do. Mayor White stated that Charlene and Allie have been working with Ali Miller to plan this. We are looking forward to this day and it is an honor to have been chosen for the opening ceremony. We have moved some funds in order to secure the bands. We are committing about \$6,000.00 for this event. We hope to get all or a large portion of this back from the Lieutenant Governor. She gave props to Madeline DeHart. She came up with the \$4,000.00 that it will cost for Steve Riley and the Mamou Playboys. He will do something in partnership with the schools under her creative arts program. He will do in person lessons with the children in the schools. He will invite them to be on stage with him. It is important that we celebrate our Acadian and Cajun heritage and we should celebrate it more.

-05 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Tony Hardy to approve the annual Main Street contract and authorize the Mayor to execute it. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White asked Charlene Beckett to explain about the Main Street district. Charlene stated that to be a Main Street District you have to have historic properties. There has to be a value of the number of buildings you have and how many of them are historic to qualify. Thirty years ago, it was easier to become a Main Street Community. Now it is very competitive. We are lucky to have that. What they do is they send State staff down here and they are the ones that designate where that district lies. Ours is a 10-block district from the Rice Mill to behind the Church then to the bridge and then behind the Courthouse. That is the building stock that qualified to be more historic than other places. We could request that other streets be added but that would be difficult because it has to be contiguous. We have a National Register District, a Commercial National Register District and a Residential National Register District that happened before Main Street. Main Street is larger than all of these. We also have a Cultural District. Mayor White stated that one of Charlene's duties is to plan events and work specifically with businesses and properties that lie within the Main Street District. That is why a lot of the time her efforts are focused there.

-06 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to move the Cake and Ice Festival General Fund expense budget in the amount of \$3,500.00 to the Sounds on the Square expense budget in the Main Street Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White stated that we had budgeted \$3,500.00 for the Cake and Ice Cream Festival and that is not happening this year. We did not budget enough money for Sounds on the Square. Councilman Touchet asked that when we redo the budget that we remove the Cake and Ice Cream Festival from the budget and increase the budget for Sounds on the Square. We have to pay for good bands that will draw people here. Charlene stated that this is a good thing and a bad thing. We started Sounds on the Square and people came but also others caught on to that so now Shuck's has a band on Thursday night and so does Riverfront. Dupuy's also sometimes has a band on Thursday night. Councilman Touchet stated then we can move ours to Wednesday night. Charlene stated that her point is that we need to get bands that are decent that will draw people. Councilman Touchet stated that he really wants Charlene to think about getting away from Thursday night. There are some high school football games that are being played on a Thursday. Also, other areas like Youngsville have their function on Thursday. We need to find a way to keep

some of our people here. Mayor White stated that it is her intention to ask for a lot more money in next year's budget for events. She plans to have 52 events for the 52 weeks of the year. Charlene stated that the Sounds on the Square schedule is as follows: on October 6, 2022, Donny Broussard and the Louisiana Stars will be playing, on October 13, 2022 it will be Terry and the Zydeco Badboys and on October 20, 2022 it will be Blake Luquette. Councilwoman Broussard stated that she agrees with Councilman Touchet that we need to add more money to the budget so that we can get some top people to come to draw a crowd. We can't let money be an issue.

B. Broussard/Campbell
Resolution R22-24

A resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the fiscal year 2022-2023 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund Program.

The motion carried unanimously.

-07 introduced by Mr. Carlton Campbell and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to submit the names of Tim Creswell and Troy LaPorte to fill one vacancy on the Abbeville Harbor and Terminal Board. The motion carried unanimously.

-08 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to approve the quote from Southern Constructors in the amount of \$35,000.00 for the replacement of the sludge blowdown valve. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gene Sellers stated that bids were received for the North Henry Street Wastewater Pump Station number 8 building and repair project on September 2, 2022. We received 2 bids. One bidder was Southern Constructors, LLC in the amount of \$210,000.00 and the other bidder was E. B. Feucht & Sons, LLC in the amount of \$217,500.00. We have not had an opportunity to review the bids so he recommended that the Council take them under advisement so that he can meet with the contractor to see why it is over the proposed budget of \$168,000.00. Mayor White stated that this was not a budgeted item for this fiscal year so it may have to wait until next year for approval.

-09 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to take the bids under advisement for the North Henry Wastewater Pump Station number 8 building and repairs project so that a discussion can be held with the contractors. The motion carried unanimously.

-10 introduced by Mr. Carlton Campbell and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to surplus a Glock model 17 Gen 5 bearing serial number BMWY530 which was Chief Spearman's weapon so that the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #48 may purchase it at fair market value to present to Chief Spearman. The motion carried unanimously.

Chris Gautreaux, Public Works Director

- *The water department repaired 24 water leaks and they replaced a fire hydrant on Clover.*
- *The truck that was given to us from the Police Department is almost ready to be used.*
- *We are working hard at A. A. Comeaux Park to get the fields ready for baseball season.*
- *We are having trouble with the scrappers on the bottom of the lime sludge tank at the Water Plant. We will be repairing that.*
- *Councilwoman Broussard thanked Chris for the work he is doing in her district.*
- *Councilman Hardy asked Chris about the ditches on Coulee Kinney. Chris stated they did not*

have to dig them. They went and took the trash out of the ditches.

- *Mayor White asked Chris to look at the ditch that runs along St. Paul behind the guest bleachers that hold water. Chris stated that he noticed that the other day and he thinks it is a drain that is continuously draining and it is a low spot. He will examine it further.*
- *Stewart is cutting branches and we will get those picked up. When it rains a lot, we can't get up the hill at solid waste so the trees stay a little longer than we really want them to.*
- *We have 26 road cuts from the gas company cutting the road. They are supposed to have a crew on the way to repair those.*

Tommy Picard, Parks & Recreation Director, QSA

- *We are meeting with another group besides 2D and USSSA to try to bring some games here. It is called Off the Chain and we are meeting Thursday.*

Mayor Roslyn White

- *She had a call with Eric Dauphine, the regional director of DOTD. He called her about the letter we sent about abandoning the lane. He gave her some recommendations on how we might move forward. He is waiting on Mr. Jim Broussard's plan to be submitted. She will follow up with Jim. Mr. Dauphine wants to work with us. We also spoke about the possible acceptance of some other State highways through our downtown and what they would like to do. She will set up a meeting with him and then she will have more information to give the Council. He doesn't know if he can approve what they want but in the long term he is willing to work with us so that we have more control on what happens in our downtown area.*
- *We had a lightning strike at the Water Plant and we have been struggling to work through that. She thinks we have it all figured out and we have most of the repairs done. That was an unexpected expense for the Water Plant.*
- *There were some questions about lighting at LaFitte Park. She met with Stewart and he got some prices together. We first started pricing solar just to see but we don't think that will be reasonable. She and Stewart discussed another plan of going in with some L E D lights. That will be coming back to the Council about the costs and then you can decide. She is working on that and hopes to have the costs together by the next meeting. Councilman Touchet stated that he believes we should wait on the lighting so that it happens at the same time we have to shut down the park for the construction. That way it will all happen at once. We will only have to close it down once.*
- *She has a meeting with Bart and they will discuss the food truck ordinance. She met with the Chamber of Commerce today and they gave her their input on what they would like to see so we will work on that and present it to the Council. She and Bart will also work their way one by one on all of the ordinance that need to be changed.*
- *She met with the liaison for AT&T and he asked us to give them a list of issues so he could take care of that.*

Mike Hardy, Police Chief

- *He is actively recruiting to hire people. We are about 12 short.*
- *He issued citations at the apartment complex. The citation states three of the non-compliance ordinances that we have and then the officer went again the next night and they did not have a security guard so that is another ordinance they did not comply with. They are looking at non-compliance of four ordinances. Bart has suggested that we put the manager's name on the citation. That way we have somebody we can attach to the paperwork. Councilman Touchet stated that he is glad the Police Chief stated this in a public meeting. That way if something else happens, the people who live there, know that our Chief of Police went out there and issued citations to Stonebridge. Chief Hardy stated that they are in non-compliance until they notify us that they have done what they need to do to be in compliance. There are*

finest that they will have to pay for being in non-compliance. You can't close them down because a lot of people live there but you can hit them with these fines. Live Oak Manor is in compliance and is fully working. He gave Stonebridge 30 days to get into compliance before he began writing citations but they still did not comply.

- *Mayor White commended Chief Hardy for putting all the office personnel on the road.*

Jude Mire, Fire Chief

- *The new three recruits will be starting the academy next week.*
- *We will be receiving 72 more smoke detectors to put in homes.*
- *He distributed the call report sheet. They responded to 95 calls in the last two weeks.*
- *Councilman Broussard thanked Chief Mire for speaking with his department about the gasoline saving measures.*

Councilman Carlton Campbell

- *Our new City Prosecutor is Mr. Ronald Melebeck.*

Councilwoman Terry Broussard

- *Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.*

Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr.

- *We are privileged to have Nikia here as a leader of the Community cleanup and we thank you and Hailee and Roderick.*
- *Reminded everyone about the Great Acadian Awakening to be held on October 1, 2022.*
- *Our first Sounds on the Square will be held on October 6, 2022.*

Councilman Francis Touchet, Jr.

- *Mayor White has been a great communicator so far. He asked that when Sarah in the tax department gets notifications about new businesses coming or businesses closing that the Council Secretary be notified so she can let them know.*

Councilman Tony Hardy

- *He talked with Mr. Joseph Pillette today. He hauled away at least 10 loads. He did a lot of work. He told Mr. Pillette that he would go to bat for him but it would be up to the Council.*
- *He will get with Chief Hardy tomorrow in reference to the campers on Coulee Kinney.*

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor White declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Roslyn R. White
Mayor

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met in regular session on September 20, 2022 at 5:30 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room, located at 101 North State Street, Abbeville, Louisiana, with the Honorable Roslyn R. White, Mayor, presiding.

Members Present: Council Members, Carlton Campbell, Terry Broussard, Brady Broussard, Jr., Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Tony Hardy

Members Absent: None

Also, Present: Bart Broussard, City Attorney
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Mike Hardy, Police Chief
Gene Sellers, Engineer
Kim Touchet, Engineer
Gene Sellers, Jr., Architect
Chris Gautreaux, Public Works Director
Stewart Head, Electrical Superintendent
Former Mayor Mark Piazza
Ryan Bourriaque, State representative
Tommy Picard, Parks & Recreation Director, QSA
Gerald Gaspard, American Legion
Chad LaComb, Acadiana Planning Commission
Jennifer Shatzle, DEQ Brownfields
Rebecca Otte, DEQ Brownfields
Lori Leger, St. Mary Magdalen Church
Gerard Baudoin
Holden Hoggatt, candidate for Congress

Mayor White asked Councilwoman Terry Broussard to lead those assembled in prayer. Mayor White asked former Mayor Mark Piazza to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor White asked if there were any public comments from the audience on any agenda item prior to action. There were none.

-01 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to authorize the Mayor to negotiate salary and benefits for the hiring of a Community Program Director/Administrative Assistant to the Mayor. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White stated that the Council has wisely chosen to hire Lynn LeBlanc as their Administrative Assistant. She is doing a fantastic job and has been managing both roles since she took office in July. It is very important to the Mayor to take some time and put some thought into what we need in the role of an Administrative Assistant to the Mayor and what could really help her move the City forward. She wrote a job description and she added a Director of Community Programming. Moving forward into the next 20 years for the City of Abbeville, she would like to write a master plan for the City of Abbeville. We have a few upcoming projects like Riviana Rice Mill, that we will be discussing tonight, and the project for the restoration of City Hall. There will also be a lot of community planning meetings as well as she is planning to host 52 events next

year, one for every week, to bring in people to the City so a Director of Community Planning will be useful. Charlene Beckett does a wonderful job with Main Street events but we need someone focusing on the community as a whole. The new Administrative Assistant to the Mayor will help her plan and execute events, direct the team of communications and also to be an administrator for the City and community relations. This is the Mayor's appointment and she does have someone that she believes will take the job. She was hoping to know for certain prior to this meeting but she does not yet. If this person comes on board, we would be very lucky to have her and she would be an asset for the City. This is the next step in building a really strong team.

Representative Ryan Bourriaque presented a special commendation to former Mayor Mark Piazza from the Louisiana House of Representatives and Senator Hensgens. The presentation recognized Mayor Mark Piazza's public service for over 30 years and his accomplishments. Representative Bourriaque read the commendation aloud.

Representative Bourriaque presented a legislative update. They did accept bids from DOTD on the Streetscape Project, Phase II in June. That contract was awarded. We have a couple of projects that are in the State Priority Highway Program for future years. We are in the feasibility stage but you will see some bridge repair funds come to the City; specifically, \$8 million for the Downtown bridge and \$8 million for the Bypass bridge. Those funds are in initial stages of development and concept. There is a process established through the program. You start with an idea; you develop it in engineering and construction funds are allocated in future years. This will take four to five years. It is a statewide process so we compete with the other regions and municipalities throughout the state. These are two infrastructure projects that would mean a lot to the City. In visiting with the Mayor and the Council in 2019, drainage was a significant issue for the City. We worked together as a team and the City was awarded \$375,000 in June of 2019 from the state to address drainage City wide. That was at the direction of the Mayor and Council and the residents. We were proud to get that priority identified and funded. In this past session, we were fortunate enough, to have \$325,000 appropriated out of capital outlay for sidewalks along Graceland Avenue. We also had \$550,000 appropriated to re-overlay and dress Highway 14 in and around the Square. This past session we did set aside funds for rural roads and for areas not as populated as some of our larger areas. That \$550,000 will grow to cover the entire scope of work. We are pulling money from the discretionary fund so the parish will have access to \$2.7 million so we will have this project from Park Avenue all the way east to the courthouse. They appropriated \$300,000 for the livestock facility in Abbeville. Starting in 2019, we had \$1 million that was allocated to the Police Jury for parish roads only. There was no local match required for that. In 2021, we had another \$75,000 that was moved for a second round of road projects into engineering and designed. This past session we had that \$680,000 outstanding balance so that was moved into priority one through capital outlay. This means that as soon as it is designed, it is ready to go to bid and be awarded a bond issue to overlay roads throughout the parish. In 2021 they also fully funded \$225,000 for Vermilion Parish bridges. The City got very close for funding through the Water Sector program. We were two points off from seeing a critical project funded in the City in the first round of funding. The second round of funding is ongoing right now. Projects should be scored and you should be hearing from staff to answer further questions on financing. He has been appointed to serve on the commission so hopefully he will do better in round two than he did in round one. If we get that, it would be for a significant investment in water improvements for the City. We were fortunate enough to get \$5 million awarded for rock break waters along the gulf shoreline. This funding was through projects funded by the Police Jury and he would be glad to have letters of support on future funding requests for coastal projects from the Mayor and Council. You should see about \$11 million in state highway overlays. Mayor White stated that Representative Bourriaque and Senator Hensgens have always stepped up to help Abbeville when an opportunity arises. They constantly call and check in to see what our needs

are. She thanked him for that.

Mr. Holden Hoggatt is a candidate for the upcoming election for Congress. He is a Republican and a prosecutor from Lafayette Parish. Prior to that he was in Jeff Davis and Allen parish working in farming. He has been in Lafayette about 13 years. He has a camp down here right across from Palmetto State Park. We have a lot of needs including coastal restoration and flooding. If he does have an opportunity to serve, you will have a federal partner in D. C. Your phone calls will be answered. We will work as hard as we need to. He will be here when natural disasters strike. He serves on Bayou Vermilion District. He is very data driven. Dredging the Vermilion is not the answer. He asked for everyone's support.

-02 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Tony Hardy to approve the minutes from the August 31, 2022 special City Council meeting and the Committee meeting held on September 6, 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

-03 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to enter into a public hearing to receive comments from the public regarding the proposed ordinance to amend Section 12-25, Authority to take possession of abandoned motor vehicles. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing

Mayor White asked if there were any comments from the public about the proposed ordinance. Mr. Kyle Romero lives at 405 Senior Alley. He has two vehicles on a paved parking lot that he is working on. He asked if this ordinance would pertain to him. Mayor White asked if Mr. Romero's intention is to repair them and have them operational. Mr. Romero stated yes. Mayor White stated that is not why we are changing the ordinance. It is specifically for properties that have an overload of junk and abandoned vehicles that are not being repaired that are just sitting vacant. It will give us some authority to remove those vehicles in that situation. We are going after people who have numerous vehicles that are not being worked on and the grass is growing underneath them and around them.

-04 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Tony Hardy to reconvene the regular meeting from public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Touchet/B. Broussard

Ordinance 22-06

An ordinance to amend Section 12-35, Authority to take possession of abandoned vehicles.

The motion was put to a vote and the vote thereupon was as follows:

YEAS: 5(Campbell, T. Broussard, B. Broussard, Touchet, Hardy)

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Therefore, the ordinance was adopted unanimously.

-05 introduced by Mr. Carlton Campbell and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to rescind Resolution R13-33 adopted at the October 15, 2013 City Council meeting that created the Parks and Recreation Board. The motion carried unanimously.

-06 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to authorize the

Mayor to execute the Letter of Intent as a mutual good faith agreement and to exercise reasonable efforts to finalize a Donation Agreement between Riviana Foods, Inc and the City of Abbeville for the Mill Properties at 405 S. Washington Street and 406 S. Main Street. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White stated that Riviana Rice Mill is two buildings on a National Historic Registry and 13 acres in our historic Downtown which also included river frontage. Riviana Corporation is now owned by a Spanish corporation. They are threatening to demolish two buildings on a National Historic Registry and sell it for parts. We don't know what their intentions are for the property. They contacted Mayor White in May and she has been discussing their intentions with them. They are moving closer to demolition of the property. At some point, they made an offer to donate the property to the City. She understands that this can be a whole lot of liability but it can also be a huge opportunity. It is prudent that we move forward with at least doing our due diligence. It is her recommendation that we accept the donation depending on what the due diligence unveils. We should move forward with the signing of this letter of intent. It is non-binding. Once we sign this letter, we will have 60 days to negotiate the execution of the act of donation with Riviana. The donation would come back before the Council for approval. It would be her intention to allow the Council to go in and look at the property and we would bring in some experts to look at the structural integrity of the property. We have potential developers interested so we would bring those developers in to look at the property. We have Chad LaComb here with the Acadiana Planning Commission to talk about how projects like this have been successful in other communities and the help that a partnership with the Acadiana Planning Commission could be for the City. We also have the two representatives from the DEQ Brownfields program. She has been in multiple conversations with them to see if the City would move forward with this project, what type of assistance, help and guidance they could give us. Mr. Chad LaComb stated that these are amazing assets already since they are on the National Historic Registry. With their existence on that registry plus being in the Cultural District, developers would have access to tax credits to develop the project. This would cover up to 40% of the covered rehab costs. The other added bonus is that it is already on river front property. This is a rare opportunity. The other side is that you have very old buildings and those come with some environmental concerns. You may be dealing with lead-based paints, asbestos and some underground storage tanks for gasoline. Those can be addressed through the Acadiana Planning Commission to cover the remediation costs. There are ways to address all this now. Riviana has already completed a phase I environmental assessment. The Acadiana Planning Commission has worked on a number of these projects throughout the region. One of the ones he is working on right now is in Opelousas. It was the old New Life Center in downtown Opelousas. The City owns the property because it was donated to them. They have issued an RFP to develop the property. They have received two responses. That is the cleanest and most efficient way to do this. The Acadiana Planning Commission is willing to help the City walk through that process. The other project they worked on are the artist lofts at the four corners in Lafayette. It was an old hotel and what we got was pretty amazing. We had a private developer come in with a \$32 million investment and the apartments are 100% occupied. That is the type of thing that could work here. We are also working on the old courthouse in Lafayette. Mayor White stated that we are already a partner with Acadiana Planning Commission so he would be walking us through the process. Our first step is to sign the letter of intent. She has already gotten the certificate of insurance in place as required. Chad, DEQ and the State Preservation Office needs to come in a do an inspection. They will be able to tell us which parts are historic and must remain and those parts that are not historic and can be demolished if need be. Then we can bring in a contractor to obtain quotes for those items that can and should be demolished. The parts that need to be demolished are probably the ones that will have some environmental issues because of what the Phase I environmental said. We will probably be able to find assistance on demolition because those parts are going to contain

environmental issues. Rebecca Shatzle stated that they have funding available for cleanup and assessment. We also have technical assistance available too. We work with Chad through the process. Make sure to do the Phase I assessment prior to taking ownership. You can get named on the one Riviana did already but they always recommend that if you will take ownership then you should do your own Phase I. That is something we can help you with. EPA also has some funds available for help with this too. Jennifer Otte stated that a Phase I will protect the City from DEQ and EPA. Mr. Gerard Baudoin asked if any of the milling equipment has been removed. Mayor White stated that yes some have been removed but she is not sure what was removed. They are still removing equipment. She has reached out to farmers in the area to see if there is some interest in the equipment. We could potentially sell that if it is not of historical value to put the money into a fund for remediation purposes. Mayor White read an excerpt from the National Historic Registry about Riviana Rice Mill. Former Mayor Mark Piazza stated that this is a monumental task that nobody else would probably take on. You will end up with an empty lot there instead of a beautiful historic building. His grandfather helped lay the bricks on that building 120 years ago. He has been inside the building and it is thick brick walls, a solid floating slab, it has never flooded and it has huge high ceilings with cypress beams. It is a treasure that he would hate to see Abbeville lose. We will also acquire river front property which we have never had. He is encouraging the Mayor and Council to move forward.

Touchet/T. Broussard
Resolution R22-25

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with DOTD pertaining to the Construct Hangar Development Area-Phase I (design) Grant.

The motion carried unanimously.

Campbell/Touchet
Resolution R22-26

A resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the fiscal year 2022-2023 Capital Outlay Program.

The motion carried unanimously.

Touchet/T. Broussard
Resolution R22-27

A resolution appointing Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr. as the Alternate Director for the Board of Directors of LEPA.

The motion was put to a vote and the vote thereupon was as follows:

YEAS: 4(Campbell, T. Broussard, Touchet, Hardy)
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTAIN: 1(B. Broussard)

Therefore, the resolution was adopted.

Mayor White began a discussion on lifting the moratorium for permitting of new food trucks. Councilman Touchet stated that he is in favor of food trucks but in the past, he has had problems with food trucks that park in front of restaurants that are already in existence. We need to make

sure that the food truck has to be on private property and they should not be close to our restaurants. He asked Bart to look at the language in the ordinances to make sure it protects our restaurants. Mayor White stated we only allow 5 licenses for food trucks and they have to be on private property and at least 150 feet from an established restaurant. They also have to provide that they have permission from the property owner to be there and also their license from the state board of health. 150 feet from the front door of Dupuy's is about the front corner of Lloyd Dore's building. That gives you an idea of that. She knows there might be some discussion about extending that area further. That is an option. We do get a lot of requests from food truck owners that would like to operate in the City of Abbeville. We also have a few requests from people who want to set up a food truck lot here. Right now, it is best to lift the moratorium with our existing ordinance, and then look at the parameters we will need to put in place for a food truck lot. That will take a little more time. Our restaurants are not mostly open for lunch on Saturday except for Shucks. During the baseball tournaments that was a problem. The moratorium was originally put in place to protect our restaurants because of the restrictions that the government put on them during COVID. That has subsided so the timing is right. Mr. Gerard Baudoin stated that the food industry is one of the largest employers in the country. The food truck industry nationwide is booming. It is a great way for a startup company to begin and then transition to a brick and mortar in the City they are in. It is a stepping stone for young chefs and entrepreneurs. Abbeville is the only City without a food truck lot. That is how you eliminate the problem that Councilman Touchet was talking about. If you provide a nice, safe, clean environment for a food truck to park, they will go. That is the trend. You can set the parameters for food trucks. He and his son are currently in negotiations to purchase property in the City of Abbeville to locate a food truck lot. They are waiting to see what the Council does because they want to build an elaborate food truck facility that would have a pavilion and stage. They would like to have a band on Friday nights and call it "Feed the Ville". With the correct parameters in place the food truck industry is the way to go. Competition is the best thing in the food industry. It keeps you on your toes and makes you make sure that you have the best food and it gives people an opportunity to get different types of food. That is what a food truck lot is about. Former Mayor Piazza recommended that the application for permits come before the Council prior to approval. Mayor White asked for a recommendation from the Council regarding the required distance a food truck can locate from an established restaurant. She was thinking that 300 feet would be better. Councilman Touchet stated that 300 feet is acceptable.

-07 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to lift the moratorium on issuing new food truck license permits.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to lift the moratorium on issuing new food truck license permits and that each request for permit would be presented to the City Council at a meeting for approval, authorize the Mayor and the City Attorney to work on the food truck lot ordinance and for them to work on changing the required distance a food truck can locate near an established restaurant.

The substitute motion was voted on first and it carried unanimously so no vote was necessary on the original motion.

B. Broussard/Campbell Resolution R22-28

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the temporary housing and shelter assistance program form from the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness and to opt into the program.

The motion carried unanimously.

-08 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to submit the names of Corey Lege and Joseph Hebert to fill one vacancy on the Abbeville Harbor and Terminal Board. The motion carried unanimously.

-09 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to ratify the purchase of poles for stock from Techline in the amount of \$14,745.88 to be paid from the Utility System Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

-10 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to ratify the authorization for repairs to the Airport Lift Station given to Griner Drilling in the amount of \$9,220.00 to be paid from Utility System Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

-11 introduced by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to approve a special event permit for St. Mary Magdalen Church to hold a public gathering at Magdalen Square and then a procession to St. Mary Magdalen Church to honor the Holy Relics of St. Mary Magdalen on October 25, 2022 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM and to waive the permit fee. The motion carried unanimously.

-12 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to set the permit fee for excavations at \$25.00 per permit. If a permit is not obtained prior to excavation, then a penalty of 4 times (\$100.00) will be charged and the excavation will not be allowed to continue until the permit has been obtained and the fees have been paid. The motion carried unanimously.

-13 introduced by Brady Broussard, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Carlton Campbell to authorize the Mayor to engage the services of The Sellers Group to develop a handicapped accessibility plan for A. A. Comeaux Park and to negotiate their fee for said plan. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White stated that she has received a lot of calls about the hours of operation and people at LaFitte Park. Moving forward those hours of operation will be from sunrise to 30 minutes before sunset until we have to close it for construction. These hours are not at the whim of anyone, they are set by God. She received questions about people practicing at LaFitte Park. Her opinion is that it is a public park and it should be used for recreation. She spoke with Bart and we can require an organized league that practices in the park to keep a certificate of insurance on file with the City. We should allow them to practice unless it interferes with the purpose of the park. An organized youth league is one that is organized for a purpose and is collecting money for registration. They should let Tommy know they are using the park. A dad who wants to run drills with his children should not have to let Tommy know they are using the park and he doesn't need to have insurance. We should do it across the board for organized youth leagues that practice. The distinguishing factor is that they are collecting money. Tommy Picard stated that Broussard makes them sign a waiver. He wants to know who is there. We will not deny them. Councilwoman Broussard asked Tommy why he would kick out kids practicing at LaFitte Park. They were from Vermilion Parish. Mayor White stated that a waiver is non-binding so there is no point in a waiver. Bart stated that the league will have insurance that covers them. There is no additional fee to name the City of Abbeville as an additional insured. That would be for the director of that league to provide that to us. Councilwoman Broussard stated that she can't see us telling kids no who are doing the right thing. They are not creating a problem. Mayor White agreed that we should never tell them no. Councilman Touchet stated that he is in favor of kids but what happens if a kid gets hurt, where does that put us? Bart stated if there is a negligent condition that exists, that is a problem created by the City, then yes you can be liable. That would be in any situation. It could be in any park and on any street. You can't contract away liability. You can't make someone sign a waiver that if they

get hurt, we are not responsible. If the reason they got hurt is because of your negligence then you will be liable. It would have to be a condition created by the City. Mayor White stated then we will require an organized sports team to have a certificate of insurance on file to use any public facility for an organized sport with the City and they should go through Tommy to let him know they are using the facility so he can put it in his calendar.

Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr. announced that the annual Rotary Club Po-Boy sale preparation and pick up will be held in Magdalen Square on November 18, 2022 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The Abbeville Garden Club will also be selling pansies on that day too.

T. Broussard/Campbell

Resolution R22-29

A resolution requesting financial assistance for the Capital Improvement Plan for the airport.

The motion carried unanimously.

-14 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Brady Broussard, Jr. to approve the estimate for partial payment number 2 in the amount of \$165,968.10 payable to Glenn Lege Construction, LLC for the Rehabilitation of the T-Hangar Taxilanes & Apron Areas Project. The motion carried unanimously.

-15 introduced by Mr. Tony Hardy and seconded by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. to approve plan change order 2 for the Rehabilitation of the T-Hangar Taxilanes & Apron Areas Project to adjust the contract time. The motion carried unanimously.

-16 introduced by Mr. Francis Touchet, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Terry Broussard to table the request for a special event permit for T & T Sickle Cell Trail Riders to access City Streets from 2901 Rodeo Road to S. Airport Road for a trail ride because they had not provided all the required permit paperwork ahead of time. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor White asked if anyone representing the trail ride was at the meeting. No one was present. Mayor White stated that the event is to be held this weekend. Things may have been handled differently in the past but our ordinance states that if you are using City streets for an event, you must obtain a special event permit. Because the horses will be leaving from the Red Barn and using a City street for a portion of the trail ride, they need to go through the special event permitting process. She and the individual putting on the trail ride had a long discussion back and forth and that individual was going to try to get the requirements as set forth for the special event permit. She is assuming that did not happen. Mayor White's suggestion was that the only part that needed the special event permit was the trail ride portion on the City street. If the event planner could start on a non-City Street and keep the horses on the non-City Street then she would not need a special event permit from us. Mayor White is hoping that is the way they are trying to go. Chief Hardy stated as far as he knows, there will not be a trail ride because they could not get their security for the road outside the City limits because there is liquor. He thinks it was cancelled. Mayor White stated that in the past, they have been doing these trail rides and not coming for permits. We amended our ordinances stating that block parties and other things that are happening on the City streets need a permit so we know what is happening on City streets and if a street will be blocked. Even though it was handled one way in the past does not mean we need to handle it that way in the future. Following our ordinances is what we need to do.

Tommy Picard, Parks and Recreation Director, QSA

- *Flag football starts on October 8, 2022 and the opening ceremonies begin at 9:00 AM.*
- *The tennis court fencing project started today.*
- *Met with OTC, Off the Chain, and they will make us the first park two weeks out of the month until June.*
- *American Legion would like the state tournament here.*

Mayor Roslyn White

- *Gave an update on Felicity Electrical Substation. The transformer is nearly ready to be delivered. She asked Chris to provide an update on the status of the property. Chris stated that Stewart's crew and the Street Department crew went on the property and cut a lot of trees and poison ivy. They cleared the lot that we purchased. We contracted just to remove the house but there was a lot of work to do on the lot. We hired a stump grinder to grind the stumps. Bayou Fencing will be adding new fencing on one side and two 10-foot gates. The substation has to stay fenced in at all times or we will have to hire a security guard so they will build this fence on the inside of the other one and once they are done, Stewart will tear down the old fence. We have to build a road and level the lot. We will have to build up that lot three to four inches in some spots. We will need the road to back the 18-wheeler up to unload the new transformer. He had a dirt contractor lined up but he backed out. We cannot use our dirt because it won't pack. It is too soft. He has another resource that will come meet him in the morning and if the price is right, he might be able to start Tuesday. We may be ready for the transformer so that we don't have to get a crane. Mayor White stated that for the members of the audience who do not know about the Felicity Electrical Substation project, we bought a house that was next to it to make it more accessible. That is part of the reason why the power was out for two days because we could not get in there to maneuver the transformer the way we needed to. In foresight, we bought the adjacent property so that we can just get in there with a truck and put it in place. We are working on that and we are doing it as fast as possible but as good as possible too. When the transformer is ready, we will be able to get it installed before we have a storm. The transformer in Felicity is our spare so we want that freed up in case we need it. Chris stated that the Mayor set a budget of \$50,000 to get this completed but we hope that it will not cost more than \$20,000. Councilman Touchet stated that we need to put some slats in the fence so that viewing of what is in there is not allowed. We don't want that same thing to happen. Chris stated that we would have to replace all of the fencing because of the bends and the breaks. The wire is bent. There were trees that were growing up in the fence that we have cut. Councilwoman Broussard asked if the sidewalk would be put back. Chris stated they would put the sidewalk back as soon as all the work is complete and he receives the ok from the Mayor to put it back. Chris stated that they do have to put about 25 feet of cement. Councilman Campbell stated that slats would not prevent someone from shooting at the transformer again. Councilman Touchet stated that he is interested in blocking the viewing. Stewart stated that the line has been run that is tied into Gertrude Electrical Substation. If the temperature is not cool outside, we cannot run the entire Felicity Substation load on the line. It cannot take the entire load. If the transformer would come in right now, it is too hot for us to put it in service without taking an outage. We could only feed part of it to Gertrude. We will try to wait until the temperatures are cooler so there may be a delay in trying to get it transferred over. He is not delaying the shipping. He wants it here in Abbeville. Mayor White stated that we were forced to do the swap last time because of the vandalism, it took us about 30 hours because of the accessibility to the site. This time it should only take about three of hours to swap the transformer out since we have better accessibility to the substation with the purchase of the adjacent property.*

- *The chlorine trunnions at the Water Plant have been delivered and have been installed today.*

Mike Hardy, Police Chief

- *We have been having a few shots fired. No one was injured. We did make an arrest last night. We are still working other shots fired. Mayor White completed the email to the City Council this afternoon that includes a summary of the calls she received Friday through Today. When you have time, please read your emails to see the locations.*

Jude Mire, Fire Chief

- *Distributed the report of calls received.*

Councilman Tony Hardy

- *Asked Chris if he had gotten to the street that needed tree trimming because of the school buses. Chris stated it is on Stewart's list but he has not yet completed it.*

Councilman Brady Broussard, Jr.

- *Reminded everyone about the City-Wide Cleanup scheduled for September 24, 2022.*
- *The Great Acadian Awakening is set for October 1, 2022. Come to one of the best days you can have in Magdalen Square.*

Councilwoman Terry Broussard

- *Thanked Bridget Levy for the donations for flag football.*
- *The Levy Cancer Foundation annual Pink Event will be held on September 24, 2022 at Magdalen Place.*

Councilman Carlton Campbell

- *Asked Chris about the bumpers at the boat launch. Chris stated that the came in today and will be installed on Tuesday.*
- *Thanked the Police Chief for the quick response after the shots fired.*

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor White declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Roslyn R. White
Mayor

The following ordinance having been introduced at a duly convened meeting on October ____, 2022, and notice of its introduction having been published in the official journal and a public hearing having been held in connection therewith on this date, was offered for final adoption by _____ and seconded by _____:

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Section 5-268 of the City of Abbeville Code of Ordinances establishes the findings for permit.

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby determine that it is in the best interest of the City to amend this ordinance as detailed below.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Abbeville (the “Governing Authority”), acting as the governing authority of the City of Abbeville, State of Louisiana, that Sec. 5-268 of the City of Abbeville Code of Ordinances be, and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted as follows:

Sec. 5-268. – Findings for permit.

- (a) The director of revenue, regulatory codes, and permits shall grant a sign permit or sign permit adjustment after either the Mayor or his or her designee, or the planning commission has made a:
 - (1) Finding that the proposed sign complies with the requirements of this article.
 - (2) Finding that the location and design of the proposed sign do not create any safety hazard.
 - (3) Finding that the proposed sign is consistent with the intent of this article based upon the following factors:
 - a. Location, material, color and scale;
 - b. Compatibility with architectural and landscape features; and,
 - c. Compatibility with signs on the same parcel and on adjoining parcels.
- (b) Any permit issued pursuant to a finding of fact by the Mayor or his or her designee shall be placed on the agenda of the next planning commission meeting for ratification.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon execution by the Mayor.

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

YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSENT:

And the ordinance was declared adopted on this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Kathleen Faulk, Clerk

Roslyn R. White, Mayor

The following ordinance having been introduced at a duly convened meeting on October ____, 2022, and notice of its introduction having been published in the official journal and a public hearing having been held in connection therewith on this date, was offered for final adoption by _____ and seconded by _____:

**ARTICLE II CUTTING PAVEMENT
ORDINANCE _____**

WHEREAS, Article II of the City of Abbeville Code of Ordinances establishes the cutting pavement process and requirements.

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby determine that it is in the best interest of the City to repeal the Article and ordinances, and re-enact as amended.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Abbeville (the “Governing Authority”), acting as the governing authority of the City of Abbeville, State of Louisiana, that Article II of the City of Abbeville Code of Ordinances be, and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted as follows:

ARTICLE II EXCAVATIONS

Sec. 16-21. Permit required.

It shall be unlawful for any person/business, including parties with public utility franchises, to open, dig into, remove the surface from or excavate any street, sidewalk, alley, public way or place without first obtaining a permit therefore from the city. This provision shall not apply to employees of the City in the course of their employment with the City.

Sec. 16-22. Application for permit.

An application for an excavation permit shall contain such information as is required by the city.

Sec. 16-23. Regulations authorized.

In granting an excavation permit, reasonable regulations may be imposed including, but not limited to:

- (1) The manner of making the excavation;
- (2) The location of the excavation;
- (3) Protection of underground utility installations;
- (4) The duration of the excavation;
- (5) Required safety precautions, such as barricades, lights, warning devices, etc.;
- (6) The extent and size of the excavation; and,
- (7) Steps to be taken to protect nearby property owners.

Sec. 16-24. Assets; insurance.

The applicant for an excavation permit shall submit satisfactory evidence that the party has sufficient assets or insurance to indemnify the city for any costs, losses or liabilities that it may incur by reason of such excavation, and to satisfy any judgments or liabilities arising out of the excavation.

Sec. 16-25. Backfilling and resurfacing.

It shall be the duty of the person/business making any excavation under this article to fill the excavation and restore the surface to a condition in accordance with city specifications. If required, the person making an excavation shall furnish a bond, deposit or other security sufficient to assure compliance with this section; provided, however, that the city may elect to fill and resurface the excavation and charge the cost thereof against the person making the excavation.

Sec. 16-26. Inspections required; fee.

All excavations except those backfilled and resurfaced by the city shall be inspected and approved by the city before and after backfilling and before and after resurfacing. A reasonable fee for each man-hour or portion thereof spent by city employees making such inspections may be charged.

Sec. 16-27. Public utilities; fee for removal of street surface; boring under streets.

- (a) The city inspector shall charge the sum fixed by the city council per square foot of surface area of street or right-of-way removed as a result of installation by any public utility company or other person of public utilities installed underground within the city limits and necessitating the removal of street surface areas or areas adjacent to the streets or other public properties in the city;
- (b) When it becomes necessary for the city to repair any street surface, right-of-way or public property within the city limits due to the improper installation of underground public utilities by any public utility company or person, the city inspector shall charge the public utility company or person making the improper or defective installation the sum fixed by the city council per square foot, for all areas repaired as a result of such improper or defective installation;
- (c) An installation of underground public utilities shall be deemed improper and defective when the installation is not completed in a good and workmanlike manner within ten (10) days of the commencement of work thereon or if it becomes necessary for the city to make any repairs to the surface area of the installation within ninety (90) days of the completion of the installation; and,
- (d) The city inspector shall charge the sum fixed by the city council per street crossing or portion thereof resulting from the installation of public utilities under the city streets where the installation is made by the method of boring instead of excavating through the surface of the street, and the boring is performed by the city.

Sec. 16-28. Construction of driveways and culverts.

No person/business or his agent shall construct or install any driveway or drainage culvert within the city without first receiving approval of such construction as to size and quality by the mayor or his designee.

Sec. 16-29. Reserved.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon execution by the Mayor.

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

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

And the ordinance was declared adopted on this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Kathleen Faulk, Clerk

Roslyn R. White, Mayor

**FISCAL AGENCY AGREEMENT
CITY OF ABBEVILLE, LOUISIANA**

We, the Bank of Abbeville and Trust Company and Gulf Coast Bank, jointly submit our application for Fiscal Agency Contract with the Bank of Abbeville and Trust Company serving as Managing Depository, being more specifically outlined as follows:

1. Each bank binds and obligates itself to cash or receive on deposit, without charge, all checks drawn or in favor of the depositing authority on whatever point same may be drawn subject only to the provisions of the regulations and restrictions governing such action.
2. The City of Abbeville shall deposit all its funds, all funds subject to its disposition or control, and all revenues collected for the account of the City of Abbeville (except bond proceeds which require depositing to special designated accounts and any other funds) in the Fiscal Agency Bank(s) in such account or accounts as from time to time may be established by the City of Abbeville. The Fiscal Agency Bank(s) shall furnish security for these deposits in accordance with the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute of 1950, Title 39, Section 1211 to 1235.
3. The City of Abbeville may from time to time at its convenience disburse its funds from its accounts. Withdrawals must be signed by persons authorized by resolutions of the City Council.
4. The Fiscal Agency Bank(s) agree to provide the City of Abbeville full checking account services with as many accounts as from time to time may be required by the City at no monthly account charge to the City of Abbeville on non-interest bearing accounts.
5. The Managing Depository agrees to provide safekeeping services for the City of Abbeville, whereby the Managing Depository will keep safe such securities as the City may designate without charge, except charges required to be paid by the Managing Depository Bank.
6. The Fiscal Agency Bank(s) shall act as agent(s) of the City of Abbeville to buy and sell direct obligations of the United States Government or its agencies and shall not charge a commission. The Managing Depository shall make disbursements or collections of investment purchases or sales to and from the City of Abbeville accounts. All of the directives of this paragraph shall be in writing signed by persons authorized by the City of Abbeville.
7. The Fiscal Agency Bank(s) agree to provide interest bearing checking accounts upon request by the City of Abbeville.
8. The Fiscal Agency Bank(s) agree to lend to the City of Abbeville, where it has been legally authorized to borrow, an amount not to exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of the average deposit which the City of Abbeville has maintained in the Bank(s), required under this contract within the three (3) months immediately preceding the loan application. Interest rates, not to exceed legal limits, shall be negotiated. The loans shall be secured by a pledge of anticipated and uncollected taxes and/or other revenues for the then current year. Loan proceeds shall be for expenses included in the budget for that current year.
9. The City of Abbeville agrees to allow the Fiscal Agency Bank(s) first option on retaining City of Abbeville funds locally through the use of Certificates of Deposit in every instance whereby the rate of interest on Certificates of Deposit as offered by the Fiscal Agency Bank(s) is comparable

to other investments available to the City of Abbeville. The Fiscal Agency Bank(s) in turn guarantee full, aggressive and responsible investment services to the City of Abbeville.

10. It is agreed and understood that the base used for setting investment rates on Certificates of Deposit will be one-quarter percent ($\frac{1}{4}\%$) below the quoted U.S. Treasury Bill rates.
11. In transferring City of Abbeville funds from one bank to another, including transfers from out of state banks, the Fiscal Agency Bank(s) agree to effect said transfers through Wired Funds.
12. It is agreed and understood that all activity in the City of Abbeville accounts are to be through the Bank of Abbeville and Trust Company in its role as Managing Depository. Both Fiscal Agency Banks agree to a monthly reconciliation of account balances resulting in sixty percent (60%) of Demand Deposits and fifty percent (50%) of Certificate of Deposit balances being held at Bank of Abbeville and Trust Company.
13. It is agreed and understood that Gulf Coast Bank will participate in its role as a Fiscal Agency Bank to hold a portion of the City of Abbeville account balances. Both Fiscal Agency Banks agree to a monthly reconciliation of account balances resulting in forty percent (40%) of Demand Deposits and fifty percent (50%) of Time Certificate of Deposit balances being held at Gulf Coast Bank.
14. Upon notification by the Managing Fiscal Agency Bank, the second Fiscal Agency Bank agrees to remit within five (5) business days the necessary funds required to maintain the percentages mentioned in paragraphs 12. and 13.

This agreement shall be in effect for the period commencing September 22, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this agreement has been executed this ____ day of September, 2022 by the parties named below in the presence of the respective named witnesses.

Witnesses:

BANK OF ABBEVILLE AND TRUST COMPANY

By: _____
Michael P. Broussard, Jr., President

Witnesses:

GULF COAST BANK

By: _____
Jodi Bodin, Vice President

Witnesses:

CITY OF ABBEVILLE

By: _____
Roslyn R. White, Mayor



Transformer Repair Report

Customer: Abbeville Water & Light***
 717 Veteran Memorial Dr.
 Abbeville, LA

Pick up Date: 06/14/22

Load #: 175393

Customer Approval: _____
 Date Customer Signature

Please check appropriate column (repair or recycle), sign and return to Solomon Corporation

<u>MFG</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>CO #</u>	<u>Taps</u>	<u>Arrestor</u>	<u>Repair Price</u>	<u>Repair</u>	<u>Replace Price</u>	<u>Replace</u>	<u>Recycle</u>
1ph Polemount									
10.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
ALAMO	D0897606R	N/A	None	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$983.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
15.0 KVA (2400/4160Y - 120/240)									
GE	F877327-64Y	N/A	-10%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1,685.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
15.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
WAG	74363326	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1,685.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
15.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
GE	L105485Y73AA	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1,685.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
15.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
WH	81A61339	N/A	+/-5%	Polymer	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1,685.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
25.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
ME	73TF120033	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1,925.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
37.5 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
LS	83071887	N/A	+/-5%	Polymer	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$2,735.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
50.0 KVA (2400/4160Y - 120/240)									
SOL	212173	N/A	-10%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$2,905.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				
50.0 KVA (7200/13200Y - 120/240)									
SOL	78-416-3	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$2,905.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair		Recommend replacing unit				

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1ph Polemount									
50.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
TEC	78-416-5	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$2,905.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair						
Recommend replacing unit									
50.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 240/480)									
SOL	41987	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$2,905.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair						
Recommend replacing unit									
167.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
HOW	734-176	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$4,170.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair						
Recommend replacing unit									
167.0 KVA (7620/13200Y - 120/240)									
HOW	735-176	N/A	+/-5%	None	\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$4,170.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SH, DB, Conventional, Mineral Oil, Damaged beyond repair			Unit damaged beyond repair						
Recommend replacing unit									

Note:
 (9) PCB Oil Test @ 25.00 EA for samples pulled on untested units that were received at Solomon Corporation

Total \$23,020

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/23/2022

ATTENTION: Sarah Alpough salpough@cityofabbeville.net

PREPARED BY: Jennifer Marks, PLS

EMAIL: jmarks@blcompanies.com

PROJECT NAME: UGDC, LLC Abbeville-Subdivision 501 Veterans Memorial Drive

PROJECT NUMBER: 2201389

SUBJECT: UGDC Abbeville Subdivision Summary

SUMMARY:

UGDC, LLC (applicant) is proposing a commercial subdivision on a property located at 501 Veterans Memorial Drive, Abbeville, LA. The current parcel is 14.6 acres and is already developed with an existing Popeyes restaurant, McDonald's restaurant, and a residential dwelling. The parcel is located within Corridor #1 District zoning classification.

The current owners of the property are HAL Properties, L.L.C and Eldredge Town Properties, L.L.C. The parcel is one zoning parcel and the owner/applicant is seeking to divide the property so that each use has its own separate lot. The Popeyes and McDonald's currently have existing leases with the owners.

The conceptual subdivision depicts the proposed subdivision divided into four (4) separate lots.

Lot #	Use	Acres
Lot 1	New Mixed Use	11.12
Lot 2	Existing Residential Dwelling	1.84
Lot 3	Existing McDonald's Restaurant	1.00
Lot 4	Existing Popeye's Restaurant	0.64
	TOTAL	14.6

Lot 1 is comprised of new mixed use within three (3) separate buildings and totaling 51,500 Sq Ft.

Existing access to Popeyes is through its own dedicated driveway off Veterans Memorial Drive and will continue.

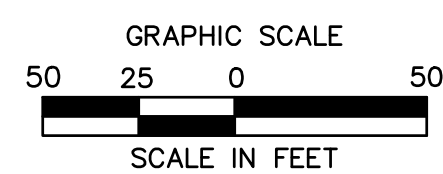
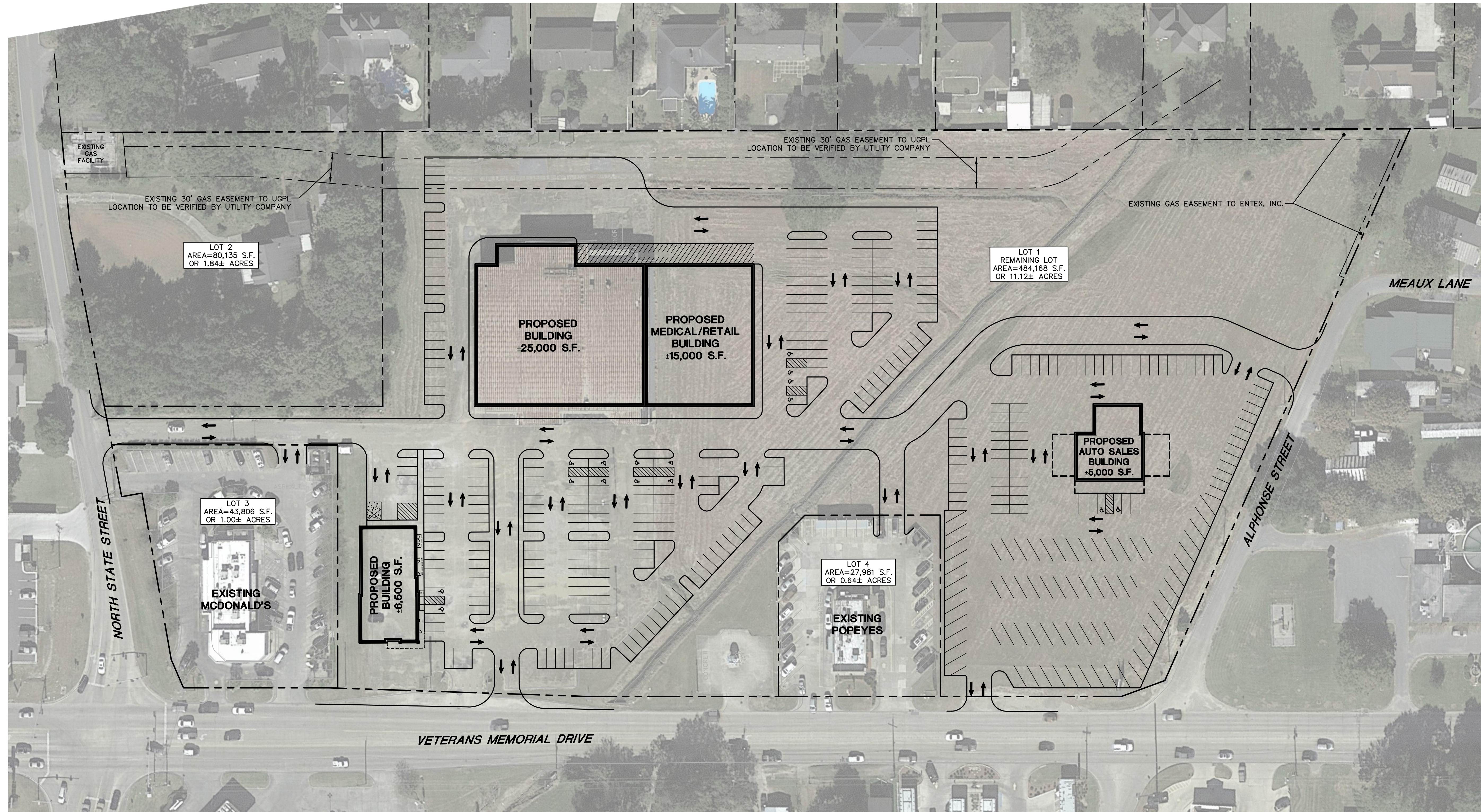
Existing access to McDonald's is through a driveway off North State Street and will continue.

Access to the expanded mixed use will be through the existing driveway off North State Street, and two new access driveways; one off Veterans Memorial Drive and the second off Alphonse Street.

The proposed subdivision and new mixed use is consistent with the character of the surrounding existing development in this area.

PARCEL INFORMATION CHART

LOT NUMBER	AREA		PROPOSED USE	PROPOSED PARKING SPACES
	SQUARE FEET	ACRES		
1	484,168	11.12±	MIXED USE	403 TOTAL (387 REG, 16 H'CAP)
2	80,135	1.84±	EXISTING RESIDENCE	N/A
3	43,806	1.00±	EXISTING MCDONALD'S	45 TOTAL (43 REG, 2 H'CAP)
4	27,981	0.64±	EXISTING POPEYES	27 TOTAL (25 REG, 2 H'CAP)
TOTAL	636,090	14.60±		475 TOTAL SPACES



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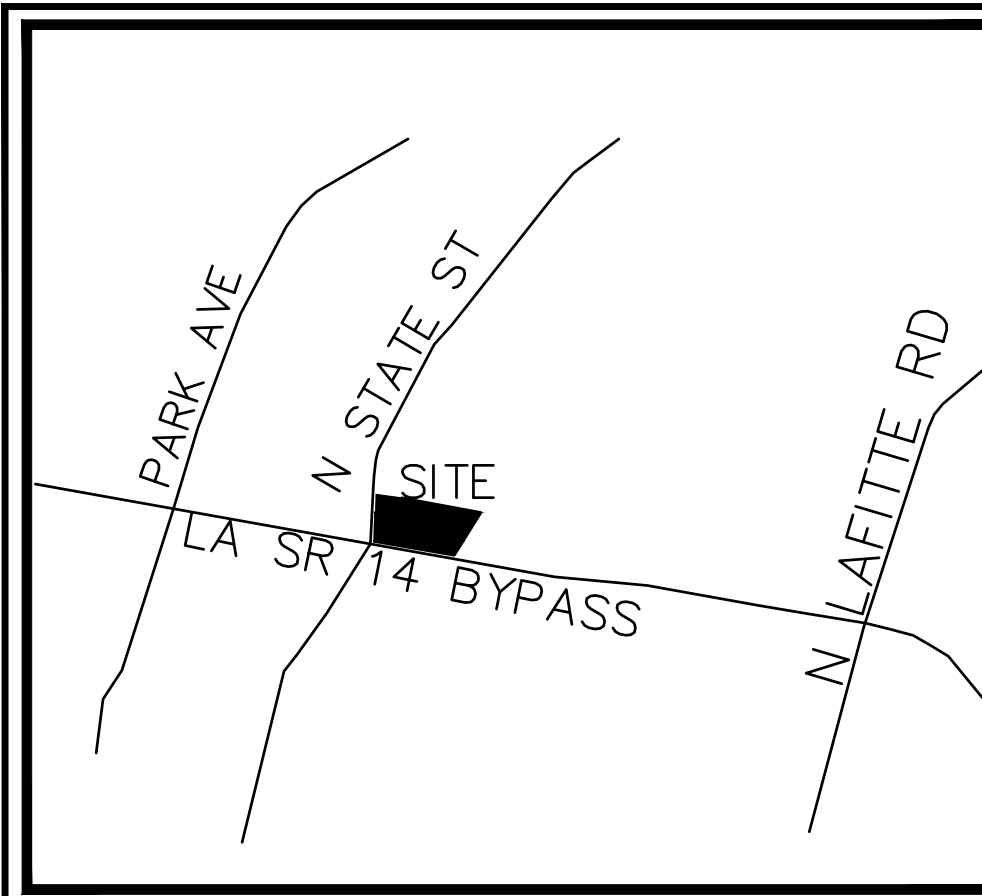
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Designed	T.A.M.
Drawn	J.S.
Reviewed	JM
Scale	1"=50'
Project No.	2201389
Date	09/22/2022
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 PLAN**

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LOCATION MAP
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PARCEL AREA CHART

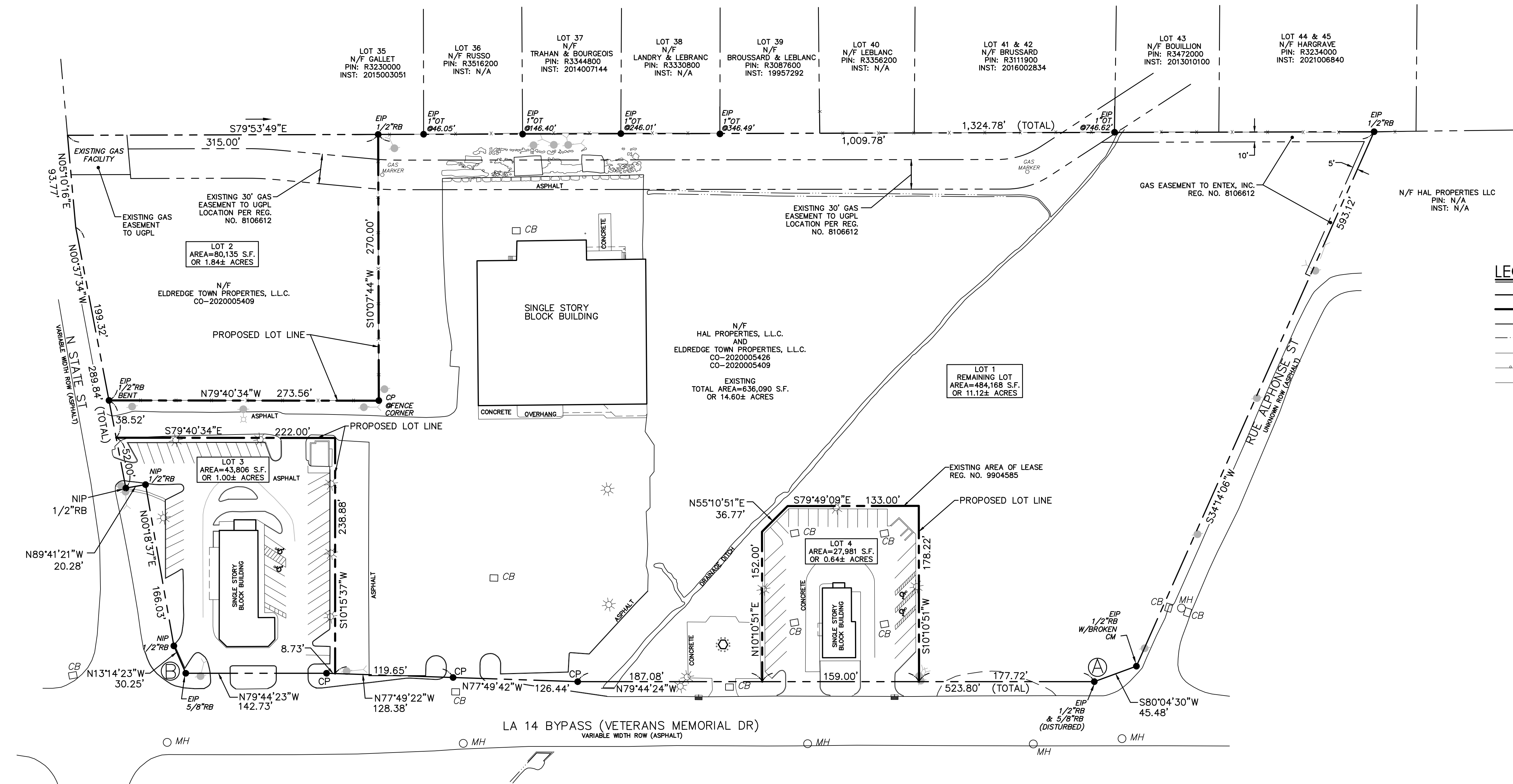
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GENERAL SURVEY NOTES:

- THIS SURVEY WAS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAWS AND/OR MINIMUM STANDARDS OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.
- THE BASIS OF BEARING FOR THIS SURVEY IS NAD 1983 LOUISIANA SOUTH GRID, AS SHOWN HEREON. BASIS FOR BEARINGS IS CALCULATED FROM MONUMENTATION FOUND AT POINT "A" TO "B" ALONG LA HIGHWAY 14 AS SHOWN ON PLAT.

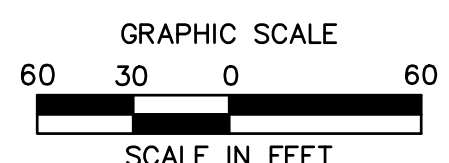


3420 Torringdon Way
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LEGEND

- Existing Property Line
- Proposed Property Line
- Easement Line
- Edge of Water
- Retaining Wall
- Guide Rail
- Fence
- Utility Pole
- Utility Pole w/ Light
- Guy Wire
- Light Pole
- Catch Basin
- Manhole
- Handicap Symbol
- Existing Iron Pipe
- Rebar
- Calculated Point
- Nail in Pavement



Not valid without the signature of a Professional Land Surveyor

DATED: _____ SIGNED: _____
LAND SURVEYOR NO. 5005 FULTON VANDIVER CLINKSCALES JR.

LAND OF
HAL PROPERTIES, L.L.C. & ELDREDGE TOWN PROPERTIES, L.L.C.
501 VETERANS MEMORIAL DRIVE
CITY OF ABBEVILLE, VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA

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