

**MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST
BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2026**

A Public Hearing was held on Thursday, August 20, 2026 in the Franklin Avenue Administrative Complex, meeting Room 201, 6920 Franklin Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, after due legal notice of the meeting was sent to each Board member and the news media and posted.

Mr. Vicari called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Marsiglia called the roll and a quorum was present.

SWEARING-IN of new Commissioners:

Kenneth Meyn and John Grieshaber

PRESENT:

Peter G. Vicari, President
Ronald Schumann, Jr., P.E.- Vice-President
David Martin, P.E. - Treasurer
Gregory Marsiglia, Secretary
Kerwyn King, P.E. Commissioner
Elton J. Meyers, Commissioner
Kenneth Meyn, P.E. Commissioner
John Grieshaber, P.E. Commissioner

ABSENT: None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

A motion was offered by Mr. Schumann and seconded by Mr. Marsiglia to adopt the agenda and the motion was unanimously adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-26-01 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE
BOARD MEETING HELD ON JULY 17, 2026**

On the motion of Mr. Martin,
Seconded by Mr. Meyers, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on July 17, 2026.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Martin, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS :

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PRESENTATIONS: Lenny Kopowski, Magnolia Strategic Consultants

REPORT BY REGIONAL DIRECTOR - L. Jeff Williams

COMMITTEE REPORT: Finance: David Martin, Chair

Mr. Martin reported that following Lawrence Williams presentation on the three vendor proposals for the development of a 50-year integrated capital and financial model and strategic plan, the committee agreed to recommend AECOM to the Board.

New Business:

Administrative:

1. Discussion of RFP Status Update: Insurance and Risk Management Services.

Mr. Williams reported that he is waiting for comments from Mr. Marsiglia and once those comments are received, he will issue the RFP for Insurance and Risk management services.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-26-02 – SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST (FPA) AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A 50-YEAR INTEGRATED CAPITAL AND FINANCIAL MODEL AND STRATEGIC PLAN

On the motion of Mr. Martin,

Seconded by Mr. Meyers, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA-East) Board recognizes the importance of long-range capital and financial planning to the Authority's financial sustainability, infrastructure investment decisions, and continued fulfillment of its flood-risk-reduction mission; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2026, the FPA Board adopted resolution Number 04-16-26-03 authorizing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to develop a 50-year integrated capital and financial model and strategic plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority received three responsive proposals, which were independently evaluated by a five-member Selection Committee in accordance with the evaluation criteria established in the RFP; and

WHEREAS, AECOM Technical Services received the highest overall score in the written proposal evaluation and, together with Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors, LLC, was advanced to the interview stage; and

WHEREAS, following structured interviews of both finalists and subsequent deliberations, the Selection Committee reached unanimous consensus that AECOM Technical Services, Inc. offered the strongest overall combination of capability, relevant experience, technical and financial integration, execution readiness, scope certainty, and overall value to the Authority; and

WHEREAS, AECOM Technical Services, Inc. proposed a lump-sum cost of two-hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for Phase 1 – 50 Year Capital & Financial Model, and seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) for optional Phase 2-Strategic Plan Development; and

WHEREAS, the proposed model will integrate long-term infrastructure and capital requirements with revenue projections, reserves, investment assumptions, funding sources, lifecycle considerations, cash-flow requirements, and scenario and sensitivity analysis to support long term financial and capital planning and Board decision making.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the selection and award of a contract to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for development of the 50-Year Integrated Capital and Financial Model at a lump-sum cost of two-hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for Phase 1 with optional Phase 2 Strategic Plan Development at a lump-sum cost of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), consistent with AECOM's proposal, interview commitments and the final negotiated contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Director, is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East, to negotiate, finalize, execute and deliver the contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc., together with any related documents necessary to implement this Resolution, provided that the final agreement is consistent with the scope, pricing, and material terms authorized herein and is approved as to form and legal sufficiency by Executive Counsel.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers Mr.
Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion passed.

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-26-03 – TO ACCEPT THE OFFER TO PURCHASE THE
FORMER EAST JEFFERSON LEVEE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
LOCATED AT 203 PLAUCH COURT IN JEFFERSON, LA**

On the motion of Mr. Schumann,

Seconded by Mr. Martin, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the construction of the East Jefferson Levee District (EJLD) Safe Room and Consolidated Facility located at 1100 Rev. Richard Wilson Drive, Kenner, LA, was completed and occupied by EJLD administrative, maintenance and police personnel in March 2019; and

WHEREAS, the former Administration Building bearing the municipal address 203 Plaque Court, Jefferson, LA, is no longer needed for the administration, operation or maintenance of the EJLD, and was determined to be surplus property via Resolution No. 05-16-24-02 on May 16, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the building and land bearing municipal address 203 Plaque Court, Jefferson, LA, was listed for sale by public auction on January 21, 2026, in accordance with the appropriate statutes; and

WHEREAS, because there were no acceptable bids to purchase the property, the SLFPA-E Board of Directors subsequently listed it with a broker and advertised a call for offers to purchase; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Schwab has submitted an acceptable offer to purchase the property for the total sum of three hundred and ninety thousand (\$390,000.00) dollars under the terms and conditions outlined in the attached purchase agreement.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E Board of Directors hereby approves and accepts the offer of three hundred and ninety thousand (\$390,000.00) submitted by Mr. David Schwab to purchase the property located at 203 Plaque Court, Jefferson, LA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E Regional Director is hereby authorized to execute any and all other documents necessary to accomplish the above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East hereby directs that all proceeds received as a result of the sale of 203 Plaque Court be designated as restricted funds, to be used exclusively for long-term capital, major maintenance, and lifecycle flood protection obligations of the East Jefferson

Levee District and all funds be placed in the restricted reserve fund established by Resolution Resolution 07-16-26-05

A brief discussion was held prior to the vote. Mr. Martin put forth a motion to amend the resolution, seconded by Mr. Schumann to add an additional “Be It Further Resolved” clause to state that the proceeds of the sale of 203 Plauche Court would be held in the restricted reserve fund which was previously authorized and dedicated for projects in Jefferson Parish. The vote on the motion to amend was as follows: Yays: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber; Nays: None. The motion to amend was adopted.

Next a motion to adopt as amended was put forth by Mr. Schumann and seconded by Mr. Martin;

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion to adopt the resolution as amended passed.

Engineering and Operations:

RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-26-04 APPROPRIATION OF TEMPORARY SERVITUDES FOR LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN AND VICINITY, FORESHORE RISK REDUCTION REPAIRS, REACH 1, 2, 3, & 4, JEFFERSON PARISH, LOUISIANA PROJECT

On the motion of Mr. Martin,

Seconded by Mr. Schumann, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (“USACE”) determined that certain servitudes situated in the Parish of St. John, Louisiana are on the USACE-approved alignment for and required for construction of the Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity, Foreshore Risk Reduction Repairs, Reach 1, 2, 3, & 4, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana project (the “Project”), as shown on the USACE right-of-way drawings for the Project, Map File No. H-16-48706, Sheet Identification Nos. RR-001, RR-004, and RR-105, dated May 8, 2026; and

WHEREAS, USACE required right of entry to these servitudes by letter dated June 5, 2026 from Stephanie R. Robbins, Chief, Acquisition Branch, to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (the “Flood Authority”); and

WHEREAS, the Project is an important and time-sensitive hurricane protection project to repair existing stone foreshore dikes and earthen berms along the shoreline of Lake Pontchartrain in Jefferson Parish appurtenant to the Hurricane Storm Damage Risk Reduction System earthen levees; and

WHEREAS, the Flood Authority, on behalf of East Jefferson Levee District (“EJLD”) acting as Non-Federal Sponsor of the Project, is responsible for providing all lands, easements, servitudes, and rights-of-way determined by USACE to be required for construction of the Project, and so must acquire and provide right of entry to USACE for servitudes required by USACE for the Project that are outside of EJLD’s existing right of way; and

WHEREAS, USACE requires a Temporary Work Area Easement and a Temporary Road Easement in St. John Parish, Louisiana (the “Servitudes”) for the Project, as shown on the USACE right-of-way drawings, which are outside of EJLD’s existing right of way; and

WHEREAS, a “Temporary Work Area Easement” is a temporary and assignable servitude, easement, and right-of-way in, on, over, and across the below-described land, for a period of three (3) years, beginning with date the easement is appropriated, for use by the United States, its representatives, agents, and contractors as a work area, including the right to deposit fill, spoil and waste material thereon, move, store and remove equipment and supplies, and erect and remove temporary structures on the land and to perform any other work necessary and incident to the construction of the Project, together with the right to trim, cut, fell and remove therefrom all trees, underbrush, obstructions, and any other vegetation, structures, or obstacles within the limits of the right-of-way; reserving, however, to the landowners, their heirs and assigns, all such rights and privileges as may be used without interfering with or abridging the rights and easement hereby acquired; subject, however, to existing easements for public roads and highways, public utilities, railroads and pipelines; and

WHEREAS, a “Temporary Road Easement” is a temporary and assignable servitude, easement, and right-of-way in, on over and across the below-described land for, for a period of three (3) years, beginning with date the easement is appropriated, for the location, construction, operation, maintenance, alteration and replacement of a road and appurtenances thereto; together with the right to trim, cut, fell and remove therefrom all trees, underbrush, obstructions, and other vegetation, structures, or obstacles within the limits of the right-of-way; reserving, however, to the owners, their heirs and assigns, the right to cross over or under the right-of-way as access to their adjoining land; subject, however, to existing easements for public roads and highways, public utilities, railroads and pipelines; and

WHEREAS, USACE requested right of entry to the Servitudes no later than July 1, 2026 or as soon as possible, and time is of the essence in acquiring and providing these Servitudes to USACE; and

WHEREAS, the Servitudes cover land currently burdened with similar servitudes in favor of Pontchartrain Levee District (“PLD”) and currently containing and providing access to excess borrow material stockpiled by USACE for an unrelated project, and USACE desires to use that

borrow material for the present Project, so PLD and the Flood Authority have entered into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement to coordinate their respective servitudes and use of the land and the excess borrow material pursuant thereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. Const. art. VI, § 42, La. C.C. art. 665, La. R.S. 38:301, and La. R.S. 38:330.1, the Flood Authority is authorized to appropriate servitudes necessary for levee purposes on alignments approved by the Corps, including the subject servitudes;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that a Temporary Work Area Servitude over the following described property on the alignment approved by the Corps be and the same is hereby appropriated, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana, for levee purposes and for the benefit of EJLD:

Parcel JP-2

That piece or portion of ground being Parcel JP-2 on Tract P of Aline Plantation situated in Section 63, T-11-S, R-7-E, Southeastern Land District, East of the Mississippi River, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, containing 21.553 acres and being more fully described as follows:

Commence from a benchmark with designation: F 95 with State Plane Coordinates NAD 83, Zone 1702, Northing: 569496.57, Easting: 3549438.90;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction a bearing of N79°43'55"E a distance of 9921.41 to a point, the Point of Beginning;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-2, being the north line of Parcel JP-1, a bearing of N66°19'05"E a distance of 206.22' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-2, being the north line of Parcel JP-1, a bearing of N66°44'41"E a distance of 1380.31' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-2, being the north line of Parcel JP-1, a bearing of N69°04'38"E a distance of 211.95' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northwesterly direction along the east line of Parcel JP-2, a bearing of N25°42'33"W a distance of 561.91' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-2, being the south line of Parcel JP-3, a bearing of S64°41'30"W a distance of 1803.50' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southeasterly direction along the west line of Parcel JP-2, a bearing of S26°32'13"E a distance of 490.50' to the Point of Beginning.

Parcel JP-3

That piece or portion of ground being Parcel JP-3 on Tract J of Aline Plantation situated in Section 63, T-11-S, R-7-E, Southeastern Land District, East of the Mississippi River, LaPlace, St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana, containing 15.563 acres and being more fully described as follows:

Commence from a benchmark with designation: F 95 with State Plane Coordinates NAD 83, Zone 1702, Northing: 569496.57, Easting: 3549438.90;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction a bearing of N76°58'36"E a distance of 9795.32 to a point, the Point of Beginning;

Thence proceed in a northwesterly direction along the west line of Parcel JP-3 a bearing of N26°32'13"W a distance of 279.22' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-3 a bearing of N63°49'57"E a distance of 694.82' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northwesterly direction along the west line of Parcel JP-3 a bearing of N26°30'17"W a distance of 132.97' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-3 a bearing of N63°42'42"E a distance of 1114.62' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southeasterly direction along the east line of Parcel JP-3 a bearing of S25°42'23"E a distance of 441.59' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-3, being the north line of Parcel JP-2, a bearing of S64°41'30"W a distance of 1803.50' to the point of beginning.

Both as shown on the survey plat entitled "Survey Plat to Show Parcel JP-1 on Tract P of Aline Plantation and Elvina Plantation, Parcel JP-2 on Tract P of Aline Plantation and Parcel JP-3 on Tract J of Aline Plantation," by Stephen P. Flynn, La. Registered Professional Land Surveyor, dated August 5, 2026, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER HEREBY RESOLVED, that a Temporary Road Servitude over the following described property on the alignment approved by the Corps be and the same is hereby appropriated, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana, for levee purposes and for the benefit of EJLD:

Parcel JP-1

That piece or portion of ground being Parcel JP-1 on Tract P of Aline Plantation and Elvina Plantation situated in Sections 28, 29, 62 & 63, T-11-S, R-7-E, Southeastern Land District, East of the Mississippi River, LaPlace, St. John the

Baptist Parish, Louisiana, containing 7.498 acres and being more fully described as follows:

Commence from a benchmark with designation: F 95 with State Plane Coordinates NAD 83, Zone 1702, Northing: 569496.57, Easting: 3549438.90;

Thence proceed in a southeasterly direction a bearing of S79°20'35"E a distance of 3971.96 to a point, the Point of Beginning;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N68°06'37"E a distance of 387.06' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N65°49'20"E a distance of 821.09' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N66°25'06"E a distance of 620.33' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N66°13'58"E a distance of 1496.84' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N67°14'41"E a distance of 783.63' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N67°18'15"E a distance of 289.04' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N66°59'49"E a distance of 368.96' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N67°34'49"E a distance of 924.42' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N69°44'18"E a distance of 248.71' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N66°19'05"E a distance of 638.24' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N66°44'41"E a distance of 1380.31' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northeasterly direction along the north line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N69°04'38"E a distance of 218.27' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southeasterly direction along the east line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S23°37'33"E a distance of 40.05' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S69°04'38"W a distance of 219.35' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S66°44'41"W a distance of 1379.35' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S66°19'05"W a distance of 639.28' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S69°44'19"W a distance of 249.16' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S67°34'49"W a distance of 923.46' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S65°49'20"W a distance of 821.68' to a point;

Thence proceed in a southwesterly direction along the south line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of S68°06'37"W a distance of 363.30' to a point;

Thence proceed in a northwesterly direction along the west line of Parcel JP-1 a bearing of N53°26'14"W a distance of 46.94' to the Point of Beginning.

As shown on the survey plat attached hereto as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER HEREBY RESOLVED, that the compensation due the affected landowner(s) as determined in accordance with applicable law shall be paid within one year of the date of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER HEREBY RESOLVED, that:

(A) This resolution shall be published in the official journal of the Flood Authority and in the official journal of St. John Parish, Louisiana;

(B) A certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to each known property owner of record affected thereby, by certified mail return receipt requested, within five days of adoption of this resolution; and

(C) A certified copy of this resolution shall be recorded in the conveyance records of St. John Parish, Louisiana.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-26-05 – APPROVAL OF A CEA BETWEEN THE SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST (FPA) AND THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS/DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & PARKWAYS FOR USE OF PARISH PROPERTY FOR LONDON AVENUE CANAL FLOOD PROTECTION, HARDENING AND MITIGATION PROJECT

On the motion of Mr. Schumann,

Seconded by Mr. Meyers, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the City of New Orleans (City) is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana and a levee district pursuant to *Article 6, Section 38* and *Section 38.1 of the Constitution of Louisiana*; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VII, Section (14) (C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 , and related statutes and Section 9-314 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of New Orleans, the City may enter into cooperative endeavors with the State of Louisiana, its political subdivisions and corporations, the United States and its agencies, and any public or private corporation, association, or individual with regard to cooperative financing and other economic development activities, the procurement and development of immovable property, joint planning and implementation of public works, the joint use of facilities, joint research and program implementation activities, joint funding initiatives and other similar activities in support of public education, community development, housing rehabilitation, economic growth, and other public purposes; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:1324 et seq. (Local Services Law) authorizes political subdivisions, including levee districts and parishes/municipalities, to share resources and cooperate in the construction, operation, and maintenance of public projects; and

WHEREAS, the CITY, through its Parks & Parkways Department, owns a parcel of immovable property located adjacent to the London Avenue Outfall Canal (the “Property”), suitable for staging, access, laydown, and construction support activities necessary for flood-protection works; and

WHEREAS, FPA is responsible for the operation, maintenance, inspection, repair, and improvement of the London Avenue Canal flood protection system and requires use of the property for the London Avenue Canal Flood Protection, Hardening, and Mitigation Project and for future construction staging and laydown activities; and

WHEREAS, the CITY desires for FPA to perform land improvements that will benefit the CITY, including vegetation removal, brush and tree clearing, mulching, minor grading for drainage improvements and installation of fencing; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that the mutual obligations herein provide equivalent value, constitute valid public purposes and do not constitute a prohibited donation of public property under Art. VII, Sec. 14 (A).

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of New Orleans/Department of Parks & Parkways and the FPA, and authorizes the Regional Director to execute said agreement.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS:

ABSENT:

The motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-26-06 MITIGATION OF LONDON AVENUE OUTFALL CANAL EROSION – PHASE 1

On the motion of Mr. Martin,

Seconded by Mr. Meyers, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Mitigation of London Avenue Outfall Canal Erosion – Phase 1 Project (Project No. O2150176) was advertised and bids were opened on August 11, 2026; and

WHEREAS, only two bids were received for the aforementioned project from Curranco, LLC, in the amount of \$5,120,080.50 and Cycle Construction Company, LLC in the amount of \$6,799,970.00, which was determined to be responsive and responsible bids; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer's Estimate for the base bid project is \$7, 034,412.00; and

WHEREAS, Engineering staff recommended that the Board approve the award of the contract to Curranco, LLC, and

WHEREAS, funding for the project is included in Budget Item FY 26 Line 17.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA) authorizes the award of a contract in the amount of \$5, 120,080.50 to Carranco, LLC, for the Mitigation of Outfall Canal Erosion – Phase 1 Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Regional Director, or in his absence the Director of Engineering, is hereby authorized to execute the above mentioned contract with Curranco, LLC, and any and all other documents necessary to accomplish the above.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO.08-20-26-07 ABANDONMENT OF THE MONTICELLO LEVEE BY ORLEANS LEVEE DISTRICT AND EAST JEFFERSON LEVEE DISTRICT AND QUITCLAIM OF ANY RIGHT, TITLE, OR INTEREST THEREIN TO THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF THE SEWERAGE & WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS.

On the Motion of Mr. Schumann

Seconded by Mr. Martin, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, a levee, historically referred to as the Upper Protection Levee and now referred to as the Monticello Levee, was constructed during the 1800s in the right of way for the municipal street historically known as Upper Line St., subsequently referred to as Protection St., and now referred to as Monticello Ave.; and

WHEREAS, the Monticello Levee is located on the boundary between Orleans and Jefferson Parishes, and thus falls partially within the jurisdiction of both the Orleans Levee District and the East Jefferson Levee District; and

WHEREAS, the Monticello Levee is located within Monticello Ave. and is believed to be owned by the City of New Orleans for the Use and Benefit of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, the City of New Orleans, and/or the Parish of Jefferson, subject to the authority or servitudes of the Orleans Levee District and the East Jefferson Levee District for levee purposes; and

WHEREAS, for many decades, large gaps have existed in the Monticello Levee where cross-streets pass through it, such that the levee is incapable of serving any flood protection purpose; and

WHEREAS, the remaining portions of the Monticello Levee are hydrologically insignificant and fall entirely inside the federally constructed Hurricane Storm Damage and Risk Reduction System encompassing Orleans and Jefferson Parishes, and again, serve no flood protection purpose; and

WHEREAS, Orleans Levee District and East Jefferson Levee District continue to incur costs to maintain the now-unneeded Monticello Levee segments that remain, and to bear risks of liability arising from the maintenance of the levee, its condition, or otherwise in relation to it;

WHEREAS, the City of New Orleans for the Use and Benefit of the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans seeks full authority over the area affected by the Monticello Levee between the Mississippi River Levee and Claiborne Avenue for drainage, water, and other purposes within its authority; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable for the public benefit for the City of New Orleans for the Use and Benefit of the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans to have and exercise such authority;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Southeastern Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East, as governing authority of and on behalf of Orleans Levee District and East Jefferson Levee District, formally renounces and abandons from their levee systems and from all authority whatsoever for levee purposes or otherwise, any levee servitude or other authority in its favor over the area shown on the attached plat as “Upper Protection Levee” (currently known as the Monticello Levee or Monticello Ave. Levee) and all other areas within the right of way for Monticello Avenue, including the continuations thereof located within municipal streets, between the north boundary of the right of way for the Mississippi River Levees and the south boundary of the Claiborne Avenue right of way.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ryan Foster, P.E., Director of Engineering, is authorized, empowered, and directed to execute a Quitclaim Deed, substantially in the form attached hereto, quitclaiming any right, title, and interest that Orleans Levee District and East Jefferson Levee District may have in the same area described in Section 1, whether any may exist and in furtherance of the belief that none exists, to the City of New Orleans for the Use and Benefit of the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discussion regarding pending litigation in the matter of Joshua Rondeno v. Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East, Orleans Levee District, East Jefferson Levee District, et al. No. 2026-06771; Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans.
2. Discussion of the professional competence of Joseph Picone, III for the Superintendent of Police position.

On the motion by Mr. Schumann, seconded by Mr. Martin, the Board voted to convene into executive session. The vote was as follows:

Yays: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber.

Nays: None

The motion to convene into executive session unanimously passed.

On the motion of Mr. Meyers, second by Mr. Schumann, the Board voted to reconvene. Mr. Vicari reported that no action was taken in executive session.

New Business Continued:
Administrative

RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-26-08 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST RATIFYING THE TERMINATION OF JOSHUA T. RONDENO AS SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE

On the motion of Mr. Schumann,

Seconded by Mr. Meyers, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, Joshua T. Rondeno was employed in June 2026 by the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East as an unclassified at-will employee in the Superintendent of Police position; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana R.S. 38:330.1F(3) and the Board Bylaws state a favorable vote of the majority of the total voting membership of the Board is required to take action on all items that are not considered proposed projects;

WHEREAS, the Board and its Commissioners are not legally authorized under Louisiana R.S. 38:330.1F(3), the Bylaws, or Louisiana Civil Service rules to require a super-majority vote of the Board to terminate any unclassified employee;

WHEREAS, the Board considers any offer letter or alleged employment agreement provision requiring a super-majority vote of the Board to terminate Joshua T. Rondeno was not legally authorized by the Board and is considered null and void, and a non-enforceable provision;

WHEREAS, the President of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East is the Appointing Authority over the Superintendent of Police position in accordance with the Board's Bylaws and was lawfully authorized to terminate the at-will employment of Joshua T. Rondeno without Board approval on June 26, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined it is necessary and proper to officially ratify, confirm and approve the termination of the at-will employment of Joshua T. Rondeno.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that all actions taken by President Peter Vicari to effectuate the termination of Joshua T. Rondeno on June 26, 2026, are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved by the Board of Commissioners of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board declares any offer letter or alleged employment agreement provision requiring a super-majority vote of the Board to terminate Joshua T. Rondeno was not legally authorized by the Board and is considered null and void, and a non-enforceable provision.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS: Mr. Marsiglia

ABSTAIN: Mr. King

The motion to ratify the termination of Joshua Rondeno passed.

Introduction and swearing-in of newly hired Superintendent of Police, Joseph Picone, III.

President Vicari introduced the new Superintendent of Police, Joseph Picone, III. Judge Leon Cannizzaro administered the official Oath of Office to Superintendent Picone.

COMMENTS BY PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS:

There were no comments.

Mr. Vicari announced that the next board meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2026.

There was no further business, therefore the meeting was adjourned.