

DENNIS SHAVER was honored as state's top coach. (Photo courtesy LSU)

# Shaver earns top honor

NEW ORLEANS – Dennis Shaver, who directed the LSU men's track and field team to the NCAA Outdoor Championship, has been selected as the Allstate Sugar Bowl's Collegiate Coach of the Year for Louisiana. The Greater New Orleans Sports Awards Committee, sponsored by the Allstate Sugar Bowl, selects annual award winners in a variety of categories; it also selects Amateur Athletes of the Month and each year's Hall of Fame class. Overall, 23 individuals and two teams will be honored for their 2020-21 achievements at the Greater New Orleans Sports Hall of Fame Awards Banquet on July 24. Honorees are being announced over a period of 23 days, wrapping up with the Corbett Awards for the top

letes in the state on July 20 and

Shaver, in his 17th year at the head of the LSU track and field programs, directed the Tigers to tremendous success in 2020-21. The pinnacle of the year came at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships when the LSU men's track team captured its first national championship since 2002 after which he was named the Co-National Men's Coach of the Year by the USTFCCCA. The Tigers had a dominating performance at the national meet as they tallied 84 points to easily outpace second-place Oregon's 53 points. LSU won six events at the national championship – the only school to surpass that was Ohio State in 1936 when Jesse Owens male and female amateur ath- snagged four golds himself.

"It means a lot because there have been so many times we've been second at this meet," Shaver said after the outdoor championship. "To be able to win it is pretty exciting. We came out here and dominated the meet in a lot of ways and that made it special for us."

Shaver's success was not limited to that one outdoor team - the LSU women also earned a sixth-place national finish despite suffering critical injuries during the national meet. During the indoor season, LSU's men notched a second-place national finish while the women finished third - the only school with a pair of top-three finishes. He was also recognized as the NCAA South Central Region Coach of the Year for both men's and wom-

# Jag coaches named

Southern University interim head football coach Jason Rollins announced the rest of his 2021 staff on Thursday.

It is, as follows:

Ryan Pugh – Offensive Line Coach / Run Game Coordinator

Darren Drago – Defensive Line Coach Wilbert Gilmore, Jr. - Special Teams Coordi-

nator / Defensive Ends Coach L'Damian Washington - Wide Receivers

Blake Yorloff - Defensive Backs Coach

"I'm excited to announce our staff," said Rollins. "We have hit the ground running and been working hard as Southern is the Standard. I feel we have put together a great staff that can help our players maximize their entire collegiate experience and help develop champions on and off the field!

Ryan Pugh – Offensive Line Coach / Run Game Coordinator

Ryan Pugh comes to the bluff after serving as the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Troy University. A four-year starter and All-American at Auburn, Pugh joined the Troy staff following one season as the offensive line coach at BYU in addition to coaching stops at LSU, Cincinnati, Virginia Tech, Auburn and UT-San Antonio.

In his first season at Troy, the Trojans topped the 500-yard mark in total offense on six different occasions to tie the program's DI record and scored 35-plus points eight times; the second most in program history and fourth most in Sun Belt Conference history. The Trojans finished ninth nationally in passing offense (313.2), 25th in scoring offense (33.8) and 18th in total offense (456.3). In his first season at BYU, the Cougars improved their scoring output by more than 10 points per game, their rushing total by more than 20 yards per game and their total offensive output by more than 39 yards per game. BYU finished 35th nationally with 27 rushing touchdowns on the season after finding the end zone just 12 times on the ground before Pugh's arrival.

Additionally, center James Empey earned Football Writers Association of America Freshman All-America honors, Brady Christensen earned Freshman All-America (second team) honors and tackle Austin Hoyt was named to the Phil Steele All-Independent Team.

Prior to joining the staff at BYU, Pugh spent the previous two seasons at UTSA coaching the offensive line. Under Pugh, the Roadrunner offensive line led the way for a unit that scored a program-best 379 points en route to the school's first bowl game in history, the 2016 New Mexico

In 2015, Pugh coached at LSU with the offensive line. The Tigers went 9-3 and finished No. 16 nationally. The offensive line blocked for a running game ranked seventh nationally and tops in the SEC at 256.8 yards per game.

Pugh spent the 2014 season at Cincinnati as a graduate assistant. He helped tutor first-team all-conference selections offensive tackle Eric Lefeld and offensive guard Parker Ehlinger as the Bearcats went 9-4. Prior to Cincinnati, Pugh was at Virginia Tech in 2013 and helped the Hokies earn another bowl trip and 8-5 overall record.

Pugh started his coaching career as a graduate assistant at his alma mater, Auburn, in 2012. Pugh helped eventual Rimington Trophy winner Reese Dismukes and 2014 NFL Draft second overall pick offensive tackle Greg Robinson.

A four-year letterwinner at Auburn from 2007-2010, Pugh earned All-America honors as a senior and was a finalist for the Rimington Trophy. He was a three-time All-SEC selection and was the starting center for the Tigers' 2010 national championship team.

A native of Hoover, Alabama, Pugh graduated cum laude with his bachelor's degree in building science from Auburn in 2012. Darren Drago -Defensive Line Coach

Drago comes to the bluff after serving as the Linebackers Coach and Defensive Line Coach at UTSA. Before he arrived at UTSA he was the defensive coordinator at University of Arkansas Monticello.

# Miller aids USA victory

the wire, the USA men (7-0) continued with their balanced team efforts and unselfish play to hold off France (5-2) 83-81 and win the gold medal on Sunday at the 2021 FIBA U19 World Cup for Men in Riga, Latvia.

That team included LSU transfer Adam Miller who scored in double figures in the championship game.

With the win, the Americans claimed back-to-back gold medals at the FIBA U19 World Cup and have won gold in four of the past five U19 World Cup events (2021, 2019, 2015, 2013). The USA also has won 14 consecutive games at the event dating back to 2017.

"We battled. We were worn down, but we battled down the stretch and found a way, so I am proud of them," said USA head coach Jamie Dixon (TCU). "That is a really good France team that really responded, competed and played well together. They (France) are obviously very talented and well coached and have been together a long time to my understanding, but glad we were able to pull it off."

Miller, who transferred to

In a game that came down to LSU this spring after his freshman season at Illinois, had a good sheet for the championship game, playing 22 minutes. He hit four field goals, all four free throw attempts and finished with 12 points, four rebounds, two assists and three steals.

The USA surrendered the lead at the 8:26 mark of the second quarter after a 3-pointer from France and wouldn't regain an advantage until late in the fourth quarter when adjustments were made.

"Defensively we got the stops, so that's what helped us, and on offense we tried to go down low to Kenny (Lofton Jr.) late," said Dixon. "We didn't handle the pressure well, and they were really aggressive and really physical on balls screens, drives and denials, and we didn't handle it well. But, really our defense got it done down the stretch, we took away the 3 and kept them off the foul line."

The Americans regained the lead at the 6:51 mark in the fourth quarter, taking a 69-68 lead during an 11-0 run in the final stanza. The USA held on to capture the gold medal.

The USA finished with five players scoring in double-figures with Jaden Ivey leading the

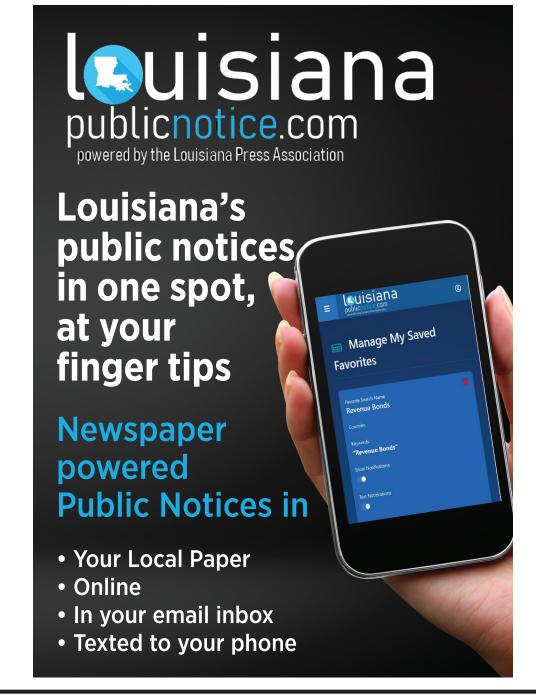
USA, recording a team-hightying 16 points, four rebounds, three steals and one block; while Kenneth Lofton Jr. (Louisiana Tech/Port Arthur, Texas) also had 16 points, seven rebounds, two assists and one steal. Miller added 12 points; Mike Miles (TCU/Lancaster, Texas) contributed 11 points, seven rebounds six assists and a game-high four steals; and Chet Holmgren chipped in 10 points, two rebounds and five assists.

The USA dished out 18 assists in the game, forced France into 16 turnovers, which led to 21 points, and outscored its opponent 44-22 in the paint. The USA finished the 2021 FIBA U19 World Cup with the most total points (665), assists (177) and blocked shots (53) and third in rebounds (351).

The USA basketball team advanced to the quarterfinals figure scoring game of the tour-

The USA defeated South Korea, 132-60, finishing with U19 men's single-game records in points (132), rebounds (62), assists (39), field goals made (57) and field goals attempted (92).

Miller, the 6-3 guard who played at Illinois last season



# **Public Notices**

**CPA PARKING LOT ADDITION** 

CONCORDIA PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Sealed bids and proposals CPA PARKING LOT ADDITION, will be received by

the Concordia Parish School Board at their Central Office, 4358 HWY 84 West,

Vidalia, LA, 71373 until 6:00 P.M. local time on the 22nd day of July, 2021. At

## NOTICE TO RELOCATE BRANCH OFFICE

Notice is hereby given that Concordia Bank & Trust Co., whose main office and domicile is located at 904 Carter Street, Vidalia, LA 71373, has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Louisiana Commissioner of Financial Institutions to move its Ferriday office branch from 201 Louisiana Ave-

nue, Ferriday, La to 212 E.E. Wallace Boulevard, Ferriday, LA 71334. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its Regional Office at 1601 Bryan Street, Suite 1410, Dallas, Texas, 75201, not later than July 22, 2021. The non-confidential portion of the application is on file in the Regional Office and is available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of information in the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

Any person wishing to comment on this application with the Louisiana Office of Financial Institutions may file his or her comments in writing with the Commissioner of Financial Institutions, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095. The Office of Financial Institutions is not required to consider any comments received more than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. The Public Section of the application will be available at the Office of Financial Institutions for public inspection during the regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

This notice is published pursuant to Part 303.7 of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and LAC 10:1, Chapter 5 of the "Louisiana Register."

Concordia Bank and Trust Co. P O Box 518 Vidalia, Louisiana 71373

By: Patrick R. Biglane

President & CEO

that time, they will be opened and read aloud

45 CALENDAR DAYS CONTRACT TIME:

The work involves the installation of: Mobilization Lump Sum Lump Sum Clearing & Grubbing Lump Sum Lump Sum Removal of Asphalt (All Depths) Square Yards 438.0 Removal of Gravel 1,080.0 Square Yards Removal of Pipe (All Sizes) 34.0 Linear Feet Unclassified Excavation (PM) 172.0 Cubic Yards Excess Excavation(PM) 474.0 Cubic Yards Square Yards Solid Sodding 1,820.0 5" Thick Concrete Paving 1,458.0 Square Yards 7" Thick Concrete Paving 1,645.0 Cubic Yards 6" x 6" Concrete Header Curb 325.0 Linear Feet Crushed Stone, Size 610 460.0 Tons Concrete Sidewalk 28.0 Square Yards 4" Wide Traffic Stripe (White) 1,061.0 Linear Feet Traffic Stripe (Blue) 150.0 Linear Feet Legend, Handicap Symbol (Blue) 2.0 Each Standard Road Sign, R7-8 "Reserved Parking" 2.0 Each Loose Riprap (Size 200 Lb.) 4.4 Tons Geotextile Under Riprap (Type V)(AOS .21 - .43) 8.0 Square Yards

Plans and specifications may be examined without charge www.jksllc.com or at the office of the Consulting Civil Engineers: Jordan, Kaiser & Sessions, LLC, 279 Lower Woodville Road, Natchez, Mississippi 39120, Telephone: 601-442-3628. Sets of plans, specifications, and contract documents which are required in order

to submit a bid, may be obtained from the Consulting Civil Engineers upon receipt

Proposal form will be furnished with the Specifications. In order to be considered, proposal shall be submitted on the proposal form and shall be properly marked and addressed as directed in the Specifications.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in the amount of Five Percent (5%) of the bidder's total proposal.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond in the

amount of One Hundred Percent (100%) of the bidder's contract price.

Only bids of Contractors licensed in the State of Louisiana will be considered.

The award, if made, will be made to the lowest and best bidder on the basis of published quantities, who is considered qualified by the Concordia Parish School Board. The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities in or to reject any or all

Tom O'Neal

Concordia Parish School Board 6/23,30 7/7, 7/14

## **BID NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Concordia Parish School Board will receive sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., July 22, 2021, at the Central Administration Office building, 4358 Highway 84 West, Vidalia, Louisiana, for the following item(s). 20# 8 ½" x 11" Multi-purpose premium white office paper, having no less than a 94 % technical brightness, suitable for high speed copiers, offset duplicators, and laser/inkjet printers. Bids are to be received on a delivered case price only, containing 10 each 500 count reams. The bid quantity is to be 750 cases.

The Bids will be opened and read aloud in public at a special called meeting of the Concordia Parish School Board on Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 6:00

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# **Public Notices**

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o'clock p.m.

Under established statutory guidelines the Concordia Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities incidental thereto.

Please find bid related materials and place your electronic bids at  $\underline{www.}$   $\underline{centralbidding.com.}$ 

In accordance with the provisions of LRS 38:2251, and upon quality certification by a corporate official this bid does qualify for a Louisiana preference

/s/ Thomas H. O'Neal Director Business Affairs

Please publish: July 7, July 14 & July 21, 2021

#### **BID NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Concordia Parish School Board will receive sealed bids/quotes until 2:00 p.m., July 22, 2021, at the Central Administrative Office Building, 4358 Hwy 84 West, Vidalia, Louisiana 71373 for the following:

#### JANITORIAL MATERIALS/SUPPLIES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021/2022

The bid will be awarded on composite and/or product classification totals and not on individual items. The school system does not have ample storage facilities and therefore will make a draw against supplies in accordance with the bid throughout the school year. Although supplies may be drawn as needed, they will primarily be drawn during the months of September, January and May. Advance notification will be given to the vendor prior to that primary request for such supplies.

The bids will be opened and read aloud in public at a special called meeting of the Concordia Parish School Board on Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Specifications and quantities may be obtained at the Central Administrative Building between the hours of 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday. For additional information you may contact Mr. Glenn Henderson/Ms. Linda Hawkins in the maintenance department; Telephone (318) 336-4226, Extension #3511 or #3510

Under established statutory guidelines the Concordia Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities incidental thereto

For your convenience, please find bid related materials and place your elec-

tronic bids at <u>www.centralbidding.com.</u>
/s/ Thomas H. O'Neal

Publish dates: July 7, July 14 & July 21, 2021

## **BID NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Concordia Parish School Board will receive sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., July 22, 2021, at its Central Administrative Office Building, 4358 Highway 84 West, Vidalia, Louisiana, for the following services:

Pest exterminating services for 10 each school cafeterias and 1 each food service warehouse. Services are to be performed on a monthly basis for the period of August (2021) – July (2022).

The bids will be opened and read aloud in public at a special called meeting of the Concordia Parish School Board. Referenced meeting will be conducted in Room 124 of the Central Administrative Office on Thursday, July 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Specifications for this bid may be obtained by contacting Ms. Michelle Bethea, School Food Service Supervisor, at the Central Administrative Office, Telephone (318) 336-4226, Extension # 3503.

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The Concordia Parish School Food Service Program is funded 97 percent with federal funds for a total of approximately \$2,115,277 per year.

/s/ Thomas H. O'Neal Director Business Affairs

**Director Business Affairs** 

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## PUBLIC NOTICE - - REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES CONCORDIA PARISH AIRPORT...

PUBLIC NOTICE - - - REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEER-ING CONSULTING SERVICES CONCORDIA PARISH AIRPORT AUTHORITY Notice is hereby given that the Concordia Parish Airport Authority is requesting Statements of Qualifications from firms interested in providing administration, engineering, design, planning, construction services including construction observation, and other related aspects of service involved in the evaluation, development, design, construction management and grant administration services for projects for the Concordia Parish Airport in Vidalia, Louisiana, for two specific projects as listed below. The Concordia Parish Airport Authority will follow the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Division of Aviation's Consultant Selection Manual and FAA Advisory Circular 150/5100-14E in the evaluation and selection of consultants. The projects identified by the Concordia Parish Airport Authority for implementation or development are presented herein. The projects are subject to the availability of funding from the FAA, State of Louisiana and the Concordia Parish Airport Authority. The projects identified herein are not necessarily listed by priority beyond the first two. Fee(s) will be negotiated. PROJECT LIST 1. 12-Unit T-Hangar (Construction Only) 2. Rehabilitate Apron (Construction Only) 3. Remove Existing Hangar (Obstruction) 4. Build 5-Box Hangars 5. Environmental Assessment for Taxiway Extension - Phase 1 6. Move Windsock and Construct Segmented Circle 7. Relocate Holdlines and Signs/ Mark Aprons 8. Taxiway Extension - Phase II (Engineering) 9. Acquire Land and Relocate Fence 10. Instrument Approach Survey for R/W Extension 11. Construct T-Hanger Taxilane 12. Construct Taxiway Extension Phase III 13. Remove Obstructions in Transitional Surface 14. Construct New Apron for Future Hangers 15. Construct Hangars/ Ramps 16. Install Apron/Security Lighting 17. Update fencing and access

gates/controls 18. Seal Coat Runway and Taxiways. Firms with demonstrated experience, competence, and qualifications pertinent to these types of services and having sufficient technical, supervisory, and administrative personnel to ensure efficient completion of the work and interest in performing these services are desired for consideration. In responding to the items listed below, it is important to be specific and concise in your written statement and in so responding, represent those projects which have been accomplished by your firm. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS Proposals shall be submitted on DOTD standard form SF-330 and must be received by 4:00 p.m. local time on July 26, 2021. Proposals should be addressed to: Carl Sayers, President Concordia Parish Airport Authority 4001 Carter Street; Room 1 Vidalia, LA 71373 Three (3) copies of the proposals must be furnished. Proposals shall be in accordance with standard form SF-330 and shall contain the following information, presented in a clear, comprehensive and concise manner. 1. Management and Staffing: firm name, address, telephone, and contact person. Brief description of firm (history, size, etc.) Description of proposed project organization and personnel with their qualifications. This should also include a brief description of firm's current workload, and capacity to perform services out-lined therein. 2. Description of related work experience, including contact person and phone number for each referenced job that best illustrate the firm's current qualifications relevant to this project. 3. Experience and brief resumes of key staff and any subconsultants to be utilized on the project. 4. Any other information that presents the expertise and qualifications of the firm and any sub-consultants that is applicable to this project. 5. If a firm has multiple offices, indicate the location where the work will be performed for the advertised projects. The selection consultant must possess the ability, experience and reputation for optimum quality service necessary to produce quality and functional projects. To ensure the consultant is capable of providing an acceptable level of service to the Concordia Parish Airport Authority, the following minimum qualifications must be met. Consultant must have the ability to direct, coordinate and prepare projects for the Concordia Parish Airport. Consultant must have knowledge of requirements concerning the FAA and State grant process and must be familiar with all Federal and State Airport design requirements. Consultant must be properly licensed to perform professional services in the State of Louisiana in the appropriate and applicable professional disciplines. It is the intent of the Concordia Parish Airport Authority to execute a contract with one Consultant firm which will be solely responsible to the Concordia Parish Airport Authority for the implementation of the projects. It is recognized and expected that the Consultant may desire or need the services of subconsultants to undertake various elements and items of the projects. The use of any subconsultant shall not relieve the primary Consultant of any responsibilities for execution of the projects. A single Pointof-Contact shall be identified by the primary Consultant for the projects. Questions regarding this process and any of the projects shall be submitted in writing and directed to: Carl Sayers, President Concordia Parish Airport Authority 4001 Carter Street; Room 1 Vidalia, LA 71373 Only timely received submittals meeting the requirements of this Request for Qualifications will be considered. Submittals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Consultant. Proposals will be reviewed by a Selection Committee consisting of three (3) members designated by the Concordia Parish Airport Authority. Negotiations will be undertaken with the best qualified licensed consultant in order of the total points received from the evaluation criteria which consists of the following: Experience, both firm and key staff personnel with values of 4 and 5, respectively. Past performance on similar projects with a value of 4. Key Personnel participation with a value of 4. The Concordia Parish Airport Authority reserves the right to reject any proposal at its sole discretion for any reason.

This advertisement to run July 7 and July 14.

#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 07/07/2021

Project No.: FY 2020 LCDBG Program # 2000552383

<u>Village of Ridgecrest</u> (herein referred to as the "Owner")

Sealed bids marked "Sealed Bid" – Village of Ridgecrest, Louisiana, Community Development Block Grant project for Fiscal Year 2020 to be financed by the State of Louisiana CDBG Program will be received by the Owner for the construction of the project described as follows:

#### Village of Ridgecrest - Water System Improvements Tie-In to Ferriday Water System FY 2020 LCDBG Program #2000552383

Bids shall be addressed to the Village of Ridgecrest, and received by the Village of Ridgecrest located at 116 Foster Drive, Ridgecrest LA 71334, not later than 2:00 p.m., Local Time, on Thursday, August 5, 2021. At that time, the Bids will be opened and read. Bids shall be designated as "Sealed Bid" – Village of Ridgecrest Water System Improvements, Tie-In to Ferriday Water System, FY 2020 LCDBG Program #2000552383" - Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Project for Fiscal Year 2020 to be financed by the State of Louisiana CDBG Program.

Bidders submitting bids electronically shall submit to the Village of Ridgecrest at ridgecrestmayors@bellsouth.net before 2:00 p.m., Local Time on Thursday, August 5, 2021. Any Electronic bid received after this time will not be considered. Bidders submitting bids electronically are required to provide the same documents as bidders submitting through the mail. These items include, but are not limited to, the Bid Form and Corporate Resolution. Regardless of the bid results, the bidder will have 48 hours from opening of the bids to provide the original bid documents. If a bidder fails to provide the original hard copies of these documents within 48 hours of the bid opening, their bid shall be considered nonresponsive. The Village of Ridgecrest and the Engineer will not be responsible if the bidder cannot complete and submit a bid due to failure or incomplete delivery of the files submitted via the internet.

All bids must be submitted on the proper form. The contractor must display his contractor's license number prominently on the outside of the envelope. Any bids received after the specified time and date will not be considered.

Each bona fide bidder must be registered with the Engineer and obtain Bid Documents from the Engineer in order to submit a bid. The Bidding documents may be requested by email at <a href="mailto:bhallc@bha-engineers.com">bhallc@bha-engineers.com</a>, or calling (318)757.6576. Contractors are responsible for reproduction/printing of Bidding Documents. No printed sets of Bidding Documents are available. Contractors desiring to bid shall provide evidence that they hold an active State License of proper classification

and in full force and effect. For contractor information, this project is classified as Municipal and Public Works Construction.

In accordance with RS 38:2212 G(2) plans and specifications shall be available to bidders until twenty-four hours before bid opening date.

The Corporate Resolution must be signed and sealed. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause; such actions will be in accordance with title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.

All bidders must have an active DUNS and SAMS (System for Award Management) Number, as verified on www.sam.gov. The prime contractor is responsible for all Subcontractor's. All subcontractor's must have a current DUNS and SAMS number to be eligible to work on CDBG projects.

Attention to Bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the Contract, Section 3, Segregated Facilities, Section 109, Executive Order 11246, and all applicable laws and regulations of the Federal Government and State of Louisiana and bonding and insurance requirements.

Each bidder must deposit with his/her bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. Bid bonds shall be written by a surety or insurance company currently on the U.S. Department of the Treasury Circular 570 list of approved bonding companies which is published annually in the Federal Register.

No bidder may withdraw his/her bid within forty-five (45) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Any interpretation of the bid documents shall be in writing addressed to Bryant Hammett & Associates, L.L.C. at 6885 Hwy. 84 West, Ferriday, LA 71334 or emailed to kcapdepon@bha-engineers.com and to be given consideration must be received at least ten days prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids. No communication after this date.

The Contractor shall begin mobilization and procurement of materials within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the Notice to Proceed.

The attention of bidders is called particularly to the requirements for conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the Contract. The successful bidder must submit executed copies of certification regarding Equal Employment Opportunity, Section 3 and Segregated Facilities, Section 3 Plan with Tables A & B, Certification Concerning Labor Standards and all subcontractor's certifications prior to contract award.

The successful bidder will be required to execute the Owner's Standard Form of Agreement/Contract for construction together with the Performance and Payment Bonds within ten (10) working days after issuance of the Notice of Award. Sureties used for obtaining bonds must appear as acceptable on the U.S. Department of Treasury Circular 570.

All awarded contractors will be required to attend a monthly meeting, with mandatory attendance from the Project Engineer, Resident Inspector and Contractor, or their authorized representatives, at the beginning of each month to review quantities for pay estimates, process change orders, review work performed during the month and to discuss any problems which may have arisen.

Please notify the Village of Ridgecrest (318) 757-4497 seven (7) days in advance of the scheduled bid opening if special accommodations specified under ADA are required.

The Owner hereby notifies all offerors that in regards to any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, that Minority Business Enterprises will be afforded equal opportunity to submit offers in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin or disability in consideration for an award.

VILLAGE OF RIDGECREST Veller Ray Carroll, Mayor

Publication Dates: July 7, 2021 July 14, 2021 July 21, 2021

## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given out of an abundance of caution, pursuant to Article IV, Section 21(D)(1) of the Louisiana Constitution, that on July 7, 2021 Entergy Louisiana, LLC ("ELL"), an electric public utility providing retail electric service to customers in fifty-eight (58) parishes of the State of Louisiana, filed with the Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC"), its Application of Entergy Louisiana, LLC for Approval of A Change in Funding for Decommissioning Trusts for River Bend and Waterford 3 Nuclear Facilities (the "Application"). Through the Application, ELL seeks an increase to its annual decommissioning revenue requirement by approximately \$11.07 million to a total of \$28.996 million. ELL has requested the increased revenue requirement be reflected in rates effective January 1, 2022.

For questions and comments regarding ELL's filing, please call the LPSC toll free at (800) 256-2397. Additionally, the filing, including its attachments may be viewed in the Records Division of the LPSC at the following address:

Records Division 602 N. 5th Street, 12th Floor Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 Telephone: (225) 342-3157

ENTERGY LOUISIANA, LLC 7/14

**PRODUCT** 

## VILLAGE OF RIDGECREST EQUIPMENT AUCTION

**DETAILS** 

PLACE: Village Hall 116 Foster Drive Date: July 28th

MINIMUM BID

Time 1:00 PM

2005 Crown Victoria	Vin 2FAFP76126X114065 MILEAGE? NO TRANSMISSION	\$200.00
2009 Crown Victoria	Vin 2FAHP71V99X138920 MILEAGE 77,689.50	\$1,500.00
540 PRM SPRAYER	MDL#6500 C	\$50.00
5'540 P.PM BUSH HOG		\$50.00
CRAFTSMAN 10" RADIAL SAW	MDL #113.1397151 SERIAL #91305M0136	\$25.00
TC710 61 CLIPPER	540 RPM	\$50.00
14' 1985 MILITARY TRAILER	ID NUMBER 7063	\$400.00
DIESEL TANK	350 GALLONS	\$150.00
TRAILE	16' TANDEM AXLE	\$50.00
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#### WHEREABOUTS

I request that anyone knowing the whereabouts of Randall Dwayne Crouch and Casey Michelle Crouch, whose last know address was 887 Herbert Crouch Road, Monterey, LA 71354, please contract me at 318-757-3000.

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF VIDALIA, LOUISIANA, HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM, 200 VERNON STEVENS BLVD., VIDALIA, LOUISIANA

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, met, in regular session, in the Town Hall Meeting Room on Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at  $6.00~\mathrm{p.m.}$ 

There were present: Mayor Buz Craft, Aldermen Jon Betts, Brent Smith, Robert Gardner, Tommy Probst, and Alderwoman Rosa I. Demby.

There were absent: NONE.

There were also present: Jay LaSyone, Town Clerk; Debra Moak, Town Accountant; George C. Murray, Jr., Town Attorney and Pam Middleton, Executive Secretary to the Mayor.

The meeting was opened by the Mayor and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present, followed by the invocation given by Alderman Betts.

A quorum being present, the Mayor declared the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, to be duly convened, in regular session, as the governing authority of said municipality, and opened the meeting for the conduct of business.

After being reviewed, the typed minutes of the regular meeting of May 11, 2021, were approved. The motion for approval of those minutes was made by Alderman Probst, seconded by Alderman Gardner, and unanimously carried.

The Mayor then opened the floor for public comments on current agenda items. There being no comments, the Mayor closed the floor for comments.

Agenda Item No. 1 was the presentation of the financial statement for April, 2021. The Mayor called on the Municipal Accountant, Debra Moak, CPA, who presented the financial statement. As customary, she began by explaining the various fund balances, which summaries included a comparison of actual expenses to budget expenses. The summary sheets, previously given to the Aldermen, were reviewed and she reported on the various positive and negative fund balances and indicated the net changes in the various funds through April 30, 2021. She reminded the Aldermen that those statements were provided to them in their meeting packet. There being no questions, the Mayor thanked Mrs. Moak for her usual thorough presentation.

Agenda Item No. 2 was introduction of an Ordinance amending the Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenses for the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, for the fiscal year 2020-2021. The Mayor announced that no action is needed by the Board on this item and formally introduced the Ordinance amending the Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenses for the fiscal year 2020-2021. The Board then set Friday, June 11, 2021, at 8:00 A.M., at the Town Hall Meeting Room, as a special meeting to consider the adoption of that Ordinance

Agenda Item No. 3 was Board discussion and vote on approval of occupational license applications. The first application was by Robert L. Gardner, Jr., with accompanying outdoor sign application, for "Shirley Mae's of Vidalia", at 20 Alabama Street, Vidalia. Mr.Gardner spoke on behalf of the application and sign approval. There being no questions or comments, on motion by Alderman Probst, seconded by Alderwoman Demby, and unanimously carried (Alderman Gardner abstained), the application with the accompanying sign application was approved. The second application was by Mr. Robert Calhoun for "Big Rob's Smoke Pit" at 405 Martin Luther King. Mr. Calhoun spoke on behalf of the application. There being no questions or comments, a motion to approve the application was made by Alderman Gardner, seconded by Alderman Probst, and unanimously carried. The third application was by Alison Burkley representing Cocktail Expert, LLC, for "Cocktail Expert" at 2048 Charles Street. There being no questions or comments, a motion to approve the application was made by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Betts, and carried unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 4 was presentation on community development block grant application. The Mayor recognized Hanna Junkin, Town of Vidalia Marketing Director & Grant Coordinator, who spoke to the Board and explained the terms and procedures for the application for the grant. She further explained for the need for a Resolution; Citizen Participation Plan; and Procurement Policy which will be further discussed in Agenda Item No. 5. Following several comments and questions from Alderman Probst, to which the Mayor and Ms. Junkin replied, the matter was closed for discussion.

Agenda Item No. 5 was Board discussion and vote on Resolution authorizing submittal of FY2022-2023 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Application, and entering into agreements associated with administration and engineering services, and approving Resolutions adopting Citizen Participation Plan and Procurement Policy associated with this grant application. Following a short discussion, and noting that this matter had been discussed previously at some length in Agenda Item No. 4, the Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Citizen Participation Plan and the procurement policy, and the Resolution adopting the Citizen Participation Plan and the Resolution authorizing submittal of FY2022-2023 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Application and entering into agreements associated with administration and engineering services and the Resolution adopting the procurement procedures relative to the LCDBG Program. Thereupon, a motion to approve the Citizen Participation Plan; the Procurement Policy; and Resolutions be passed adopting the Citizen Participation Plan; authorizing submittal of FY2022-2023 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant application, and entering into agreements associated with administration and engineering services; and adopting the Procurement Procedures relative to the LCDBG Program, all as presented at the meeting, be adopted. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gardner, and unanimously carried.

## (COPIES OF THE RESOLUTIONS ARE ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF).

Agenda Item No. 6 was Engineer's status report on current projects under way for the Town of Vidalia. The Mayor then introduced Mr. Bryant Hammett of Bryant Hammett & Associates, who spoke first and gave a general overview of the various projects which are currently underway or just completed for the Town. Following his presentation, he introduced Mr. Keith Capdepon who spoke on the various projects recently completed and projects underway. The projects completed, including the Port road; a waterline to the Port; the overhead and underground electric lines for the Port. Projects underway are a gas line extension to Syrah; a street overlay project which has funds from FEMA included; and various repairs due to the recent high water. Also in progress are an Industrial Park certification process; Waste Water improvement; electrical upgrades; and drainage improvements. A power point presentation was included in the explanations of these matters. Mr Hammett then finished up the presentation with a discussion with the Board over the need to repair, or replace several sewer pumping stations. Following that presentation, it was the consensus of the Board that those facilities should be replaced.

Agenda Item No. 7 was Board discussion and vote on fixing the amount to be maintained in the Hydro Reserve Fund, in accordance with Ordinance No. 588. The Mayor announced to the Board that it is now time to fix the amount to be maintained in the Hydro Reserve Fund and stated that the amount is currently \$2.3 million and the Ordinance requires a minimum of \$1.98 million to be kept in the reserve. After a short discussion, it was moved by Alderman Probst, seconded by Alderman Smith, and unanimously carried, that the Town should keep \$2.3 million in reserve.

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# **Public Notices**

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Agenda Item No. 8 was Board discussion on setting dates for two (2) public hearings to receive public input on proposed projects and possible alternative uses of surplus Hydro revenues. The Mayor explained to the Board the need at this time to set two (2) meetings in accordance with the Hydro Ordinance. The Mayor told the Board that he has spoken with several groups and has been given many proposed projects. He asked the Board to set a date to have the first of the required hearings. Alderman Probst stated that it needs to be made plain that people that have given suggestions for projects will have those suggestions considered without having to re-submit. It was the consensus of the Board, that the required meetings should be held on a Tuesday or Thursday at 6:00 P.M.

Agenda Item No. 9 was Board discussion and vote on approval of replacement hire for the Vidalia Police Department - Danielle Jefferson as Part-time dispatcher. After a short discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderman Gardner, and unanimously carried, to approve the replacement hire of Danielle Jefferson as part-time dispatcher.

Agenda Item No. 10 was public hearing on an Ordinance approving the Mayor's appointment of a Clerk and to fix the compensation of the Clerk of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana. The Mayor told the Board of a need to have a public hearing on the Ordinance approving his appointment of a Clerk and fixing the Clerk's salary. A motion was made by Alderman Gardner, seconded by Alderman Betts, and unanimously carried, to enter into the public hearing. There was no discussion or comments or questions from the audience and, on motion by Alderman Probst, seconded by Alderwoman Demby, and unanimously carried, the Board exited the public hearing.

Agenda Item No. 11 was Board discussion and vote on an Ordinance approving the Mayor's appointment of a Clerk and to fix the compensation of the Clerk of the Town of Vidalia. Louisiana. The Mayor announced that the proposed Ordinance had been pre-filed and it was time to vote on the adoption of the Ordinance. A motion was made by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderwoman Demby, to approve the Ordinance as presented and pre-filed. Alderman Gardner spoke first to advise that he is going to vote against the fee as set forth in the Ordinance. He indicated that the Clerk's fee should be set at \$55,000.00. There followed a short discussion and the Mavor called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: FOR ADOPTION AS PRESENTED: Aldermen Betts, Probst and Smith; AGAINST: Alderman Gardner and Alderwoman Demby. The Clerk announced that the vote was 3 votes FOR and 2 votes AGAINST and therefore the Ordinance approving the Mayor's appointment of a Clerk and to fix the compensation of the Clerk as presented, was approved.

> (A COPY OF THE ORDINANCE IS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF).

Agenda Item No. 12 was Board discussion and a vote on the appointment of Mayor Pro Tempore of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana. The Mayor advised the Board of Agenda Item No. 12 and, there being no discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Betts, to appoint Alderman Betts. as Mayor Pro Tempore. A roll call vote was called and the vote thereon was as follows: FOR: Alderman Betts and Alderman Smith. AGAINST: Alderman Gardner, Probst and Alderwoman Demby. The Clerk announced that the vote was 3 AGAINST and 2 FOR and that the motion failed. Thereafter, a motion was made by Alderman Probst, seconded by Alderman Gardner, to appoint Alderman Gardner as the Mayor Pro Tempore. A roll call vote was called and the vote thereon was as follows: FOR: Aldermen Gardner. Probst and Alderwoman Demby. AGAINST: Aldermen Betts and Smith. The Clerk announced that the vote was 3 votes for, 2 votes AGAINST, and that the motion carried.

Agenda Item No. 13 was report on request for proposal for Advanced Metering Infrastructure System for water, gas & electric utilities. The Mayor advised the Board of the current proposal for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure System and advised that he will keep them apprised of the progress of the propos-

Agenda Item No. 14 was adjournment. The Mayor announced that there is no further business, and asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Probst, seconded by Alderman Gardner, and unanimously carried.

/sBuz Craft /s/JavLaSvone JAY LASYONE, TOWN CLERK BUZ CRAFT, MAYOR

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ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF A CLERK AND TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF THE CLERK OF THE TOWN OF VIDA-LIA. LOUISIANA

BE IT ORDAINED. BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF VIDALIA, LOUISIANA, in regular session, duly convened as the governing authority of said municipality, that:

Section 1. This proposed Ordinance was previously introduced at the regular meeting of May 11, 2021; and

 $\underline{\text{Section 2}}.$  After due notice of advertising of this proposed ordinance in the official journal on the 19th day of May, 2021, and public hearing held at the Mayor and Board's regular meeting on the 8th day of June, 2021, it is hereby ordained and adopted as an Ordinance of the Town of Vidalia. Louisiana, that:

WHEREAS, LSA-R.S. 33:404.1 provides that the Board of Aldermen shall, by Ordinance, fix the compensation of the Mayor, Aldermen, Clerk and Chief of Police: and

WHEREAS, the current Clerk, Jay LaSyone, will be assuming another position with the Town of Vidalia effective July 1, 2021, and the Mayor has appointed PIARA WILSON as the incoming Clerk; and

incoming Clerk and further the compensation needs to be fixed for the incoming Clerk, effective July 1, 2021; THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the

WHEREAS, the Board shall approve the Mayor's appointment of the

Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, that the Mayor's appointment of PIARA WILSON as the incoming Clerk is hereby approved and the compensation for the incoming Clerk is hereby fixed at \$49,000.00 per year, to be effective July 1, 2021.

The foregoing Ordinance was read and considered, section by section, and as a whole, and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Aldermen Betts. Probst and Smith. NAYS: Alderman Gardner and Alderwoman Demby. ABSTAINING: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

WHEREUPON, the foregoing ordinance was declared to be duly adopted this 8th day of June, 2021, to be effective immediately

/s/ Buz Craft /s/ Jav LaSvone JAY LASYONE, TOWN CLERK BUZ CRAFT, MAYOR

adequate citizen participation with the program:

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN** RESOLUTION BY THE

Town of Vidalia

WHEREAS, the Town of Vidalia has been afforded the opportunity to apply and participate in the State of Louisiana 2022/2023 Community Development Block Grant Program administered by the Division of Administration; and. WHEREAS, the STATE requires Grantees to establish procedures to ensure

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Vidalia, that the attached policy entitled "Citizen Participation Plan", dated \_June 8\_, 2021 is hereby adopted.

Passed, approved and adopted by the Town of Vidalia, Parish of Concordia, State of Louisiana, on the 8th day of June, 2021.

> s/Buz Craft Buz Craft, Mayor s/Jav LaSvone Jay LaSyone, Town Clerk

## **CERTIFICATE**

I, Jay LaSyone, Clerk of the Town of Vidalia, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed, approved, and adopted by the Town of Vidalia on the \_8th\_ day of \_June\_, 2021.

s/Jav LaSvone Jay LaSyone, Town Clerk

## CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The Town of Vidalia has adopted the following Citizen Participation Plan to meet the citizen participation requirements of Section 508 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. The Town is committed through adoption of this plan to full and total involvement of all residents of the community in the composition, implementation and assessment of its Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program. Attempts will be made to reach all citizens, with particular emphasis on participation by persons of low and moderate income, residents of slum and blighted areas and of areas in which funds are proposed to be used. A copy of this plan will be made available to the public upon

As part of the citizen participation requirements and to maximize citizen interaction, the Town of Vidalia shall:

- 1.) Provide citizens with reasonable and timely access to local meetings, information and records relating to the State's proposed method of distribution, as required by the Secretary, and relating to the actual use of funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended;
- 2.) Provide for public hearings to obtain views and respond to proposals and questions at all stages of the community development program. These hearings will consist of the development of needs and proposed activities and review of program performance. These hearings will be held after adequate notice, a minimum of five calendar days, at times and locations convenient to potential or actual beneficiaries with accommodations for persons with disabilities;
- 3.) Provide for and encourage citizen participation with particular emphasis on Participation by persons of low and moderate income who are residents of slum and blighted areas and of areas in which funds are proposed to be used;
- 4.) Provide for technical assistance to groups representative of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing proposals;
- 5.) Where applicable, identify how the needs of non-English speaking residents will be met in the case of public hearings; and
- 6.) Provide for a formal written procedure which will accommodate a timely written response, within fifteen days where practicable, to written complaints and grievances. Written minutes of the hearings and an attendance roster will be maintained by the Town Clerk.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Notices informing citizens of any public hearings will appear in the official journal of the Town of Vidalia a minimum of five calendar days prior to the hearing. In addition, notices will also be posted in Vidalia Town Hall and the hearing will be publicized through local community organizations, i.e., churches, clubs, etc., and/ or dissemination of leaflets in the target area. Hearings will be held at times and locations convenient to potential or actual beneficiaries with accommodations for individuals with disabilities and non-English speaking persons. Whenever possible these hearings will be held within or near the target areas, at times affording participation by the most affected residents.

### I. APPLICATION:

### First Notice/Public Hearing

A. The public hearing to address LCDBG application submittal will be held approximately Seven calendar days prior to the deadline for submission of the appliation for the current funding cycle. The Citizen Participation Plan will be available at the hearing. The public notice for this hearing will state that the following will

- 1. The amount of funds available for proposed community development;
- 2. The range of activities that may be undertaken, including the estimated amount proposed to be used for activities that will benefit persons of low and
- 3. The plans of the Town of Vidalia for minimizing displacement of persons as a result of activities assisted with such funds and the benefits to be provided by the Town of Vidalia to persons actually displaced as a result of such activities; and
- 4.) The Town of Vidalia prior performance of LCDBG programs funded by the State of Louisiana. In addition, the notice shall state that all citizens, particularly low and moderate income residents of slum and blighted areas, are encouraged to submit their views and proposals regarding community development and housing needs. Those citizens unable to attend this hearing may submit their views and proposals to:

Buz Craft, Mayor Town of Vidalia P. O. Box 2010 Vidalia, LA 71373

The notice will also state that accommodations will be made for disabled and non-English speaking individuals provided ab five day notice is received by the Town of Vidalia.

## Second Notice

- A. Seven calendar days, at a minimum, prior to the submittal of the application, a second notice shall appear in the official journal informing the citizens of the
- 2. Proposed objectives; 3. Proposed activities;
- 4. Location of proposed activities;
- 5. Dollar amount of proposed activities; and 6. Location and hours available for application review.

In addition, the notice shall state "all citizens, particularly those affected by the proposed project, are encouraged to review the proposed application and submit any written comments on the application to:"

Buz Craft, Mayor Town of Vidalia P. O. Box 2010 Vidalia, LA 71373

Negative comments received will be forwarded immediately to the State's Office of Community Development, Division of Administration or the application will be withdrawn if necessary.

## **II. AMENDMENTS**

Program amendments, which substantially alter the LCDBG project from that approved in the original application, shall not be submitted to the State without holding one public hearing in accordance with the procedures outlined within this Citizen Participation Plan. Minutes of the hearing will be submitted with the request for the amendment. All interested citizens, particularly the low and moderate income, elderly, handicapped, and residents of the project area, shall be made aware and have the opportunity to comment on proposed amendments and/or submit alternative measures.

## **III. GRANTEE PERFORMANCE**

The Town of Vidalia will hold one performance hearing to solicit the public's opinion of the effectiveness of the LCDBG Program. The manner of notification will be the same as previously described for all public hearings. Notification will be made in the official journal approximately seven calendar days prior to the anticipated submittal of close-out documents to the State, and will indicate the date, time, and place of the performance hearing, and invite comments and opinions on the LCDBG activities implemented under the 2022/23 LCDBG Program being closed out. The notice will also state that accommodations will be made for disabled and non-English speaking persons provided a seven day notice is received by the Town of Vidalia.

This notice shall invite all interested parties, particularly those low to moderate income residents in the target area to attend. The hearing will be held no sooner than five calendar days from the publication date of said notice.

## CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTION TO APPLICATION

Persons wishing to object to approval of an application by the State may make

Office of Community Development Division of Administration Post Office Box 94095 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095

The State will consider objections made only on the following grounds: A. The application description of needs and objectives is plainly inconsistent

- with available facts and data; B. The activities to be undertaken are plainly inappropriate to meeting the
- needs and objectives identified by the applicant; and C. The application does not comply with the requirements set forth in the Final
- Statement or other applicable laws.

Such objections should include both an identification of the requirements not met and, in the case of objections relative to (1) above, the complainant must supply the data upon which he/she relied upon to support his/her objection.

## **BILINGUAL**

Whenever a significant number of persons and/or residents of blighted neighborhoods communicate with a primary language other than English attend public hearings, the Town of Vidalia will provide an interpreter for dissemination of information to them providing the Town of Vidalia is given sufficient notification of five

#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Technical assistance may be provided directly by the Town of Vidalia to any citizen, particularly to low and moderate income persons, residents of blighted neighborhoods and minorities, who request assistance in the development of proposals and statement of views concerning the LCDBG Program. The local officials, administrator and engineer will conduct informational meetings with the residents of the low to moderate income areas if a written request is received by the Town of Vidalia with at least a one week notification. The persons who conducts the technical assistance meetings will disseminate information on the program and answer all pertinent questions.

### TIMELY ACCESS AND ADEQUATE INFORMATION

The Town of Vidalia shall provide timely disclosure of records, information and documents related to the LCDBG program activities. Documents will be made available for copying upon request at the Town of Vidalia, Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Such documents may include the following:

- A. All meetings and promotional materials.
- B. Records of hearings and meetings.
- C. All key documents, including prior applications, letters, grant agreements, citizen participation plans, and proposed applications.
- D. Copies of the regulations (Consolidated Plans or Annual Action Plans) concerning the program.
- E. Documents regarding other important requirements, such as Procurement Procedures, Fair Housing, Equal Employment Opportunity, Uniform Act, La-

Provisions and Environmental Procedures

#### CITIZEN COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

### **SECTION 1**

It is the policy of the Town of Vidalia to review all complaints received by the Town of Vidalia.

## **SECTION 2**

The following procedures will be followed on all complaints received by the Town of Vidalia:

- A. The complainant shall notify the Town Clerk of the complaint. The initial complaint may be expressed orally or by written correspondence.
- B. The Town Clerk will notify the Mayor of the complaint within five working
- C. The Mayor will investigate the complaint and will report the findings to the

within five working days.

- D. The Town Clerk will notify the complainant of the findings of the Mayor in writing or by telephone within five working days.
- E. If the complainant is aggrieved by the decision, he must forward the complaint in writing (if previously submitted orally) to the Town Clerk who will forward the complaint and all actions taken by the Mayor to the appropriate council committee for their review. This will be accomplished within thirty working days of receipt of the written complaint.
- F. The reviewing council committee will have ten working days to review the complaint and forward their decision to the complainant in writing.
- G. If the complainant is aggrieved with the decision of the Committee, he must notify the Town Clerk in writing that he desires to be afforded a hearing by the Town of Vidalia Council. The complainant will be placed on the next regularly scheduled council meeting agenda. The Town Clerk will notify the complainant in writing of the date of the hearing.
- H. The complainant must bring all relevant data, witnesses, etc., to the hearing. The Town of Vidalia, at the hearing, will review the complaint and forward within five days a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting at which the hearing was conducted and a decision was rendered to the complainant. If a decision is not reached at the hearing, the Town of Vidalia will inform complainant of an appropriate date to expect a response. Within fifteen working days of reaching a decision, the complainant will be notified in writing of the decision.

Complaints concerning the general administration of the LCDBG Program may be submitted in writing directly to the:

Division of Administration Office of Community Development Post Office Box 94095 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095

## SECTION 3

nts relative to Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity violations alleging discrimination shall be forwarded for disposition to the:

> Louisiana Department of Justice Public Protection Division Post Office Box 94095 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095

The complainant will be notified in writing within 10 days that, due to the nature of the complaint, it has been forwarded to the Louisiana Department of Justice.

Complainant may contact the Louisiana Department of Justice Division directly at the Toll Free Telephone number 1-800-273-5718 or 225-342-7900.

## **SECTION 4**

The Town Clerk will maintain a file for the purpose of keeping reports of com-

## **SECTION 5**

This policy does not invalidate nor supersede the personnel or other policies of the Town of Vidalia which are currently adopted but is intended to serve as a SECTION 6

regularly scheduled meetings ADOPTION

This policy may be amended by a majority vote at any of the Town of Vidalia

This Citizen Participation Plan is hereby adopted by Town of Vidalia in regular session on this 8th day of June, 2021. s/Jay LaSyone s/Buz Craft

Buz Craft, Mayor Jay LaSyone, Town Clerk PROCUREMENT POLICY

**Town of Vidalia** WHEREAS, the Town of Vidalia has been afforded the opportunity to apply and participate in the State of Louisiana 2022/2023 Community Development Block

RESOLUTION

BY THE

Grant Program administered by the Division of Administration; and, WHEREAS the STATE requires the establishment of uniform procedures in compliance with OMB Circular A-102; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Vidalia, that the at-

tached policy entitled "Procurement Procedures Relative to the LCDBG Program" is hereby adopted.

Passed, approved and adopted this 8th day of June, 2021.

s/s Jay LaSyone s/s Buz Craft Jay LaSyone, Town Clerk Buz Craft, Mayor

I, Jay LaSyone, Town Clerk of the Town of Vidalia, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed, approved, and adopted by the Town of Vidalia on the 8th\_day of \_June\_, 2021.

**CERTIFICATE** 

Jay LaSyone, Town Clerk

## PROCUREMENT POLICY

These procedures are intended to serve as guidelines for the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction services and professional services for the LCDBG Program. These

the standards established in 2 CFR 200.317-326 and state requirements.

## CODE OF CONDUCT No employee, officer, or agent of the Town of Vidalia shall participate in the

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# **Public Notices**

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s8<u>lection or in the award or administ</u>ration of a contract supported by LCDBG funds if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, would be involved. Such a conflict could arise if the employee, officer or agent; any member of his/her immediate family; his/her partner; or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the above, has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for award.

No officer, employee or agent of the Town of Vidalia shall solicit or accept gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from contractors or firms, potential contractors or firms, or parties to sub-agreements, except where the financial interest is not substantial or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal intrinsic value.

Any alleged violations of these standards of conduct shall be referred to the Town Attorney. Where violations appear to have occurred, the offending employee, officer or agent shall be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to dismissal or transfer; where violations or infractions appear to be substantial in nature, the matter may be referred to the appropriate officials for criminal investigation and possible prosecution.

### PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES

The director or supervisor of each department or agency of the Town of Vidalia responsible for procurement of services, supplies, equipment, or construction obtained with LCDBG funds shall review all proposed procurement actions to avoid the purchase of unnecessary or duplicative items. Such reviews shall consider consolidation or breaking out to obtain a more economical purchase. When determined appropriate by the Director or Supervisor, an analysis to determine which approach would be the most economical shall be undertaken.

The Town shall take affirmative steps to assure that small and minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus firms are solicited whenever they are potential qualified sources. The Town shall also consider the feasibility of dividing total requirements into smaller tasks or quantities so as to permit maximum participation by small and minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus firms. Where permitted by regulations, delivery schedules will be developed which will

include participation by such businesses.

The Town shall assist the prime contractor whenever possible by providing copies of lists which identify qualified small and minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

#### **SELECTION PROCEDURES**

ALL procurement carried out with LCDBG funds, where Town of Vidalia is a direct party, shall be carried out in a manner that provides maximum free and open competition. Procurement procedures will not restrict or eliminate competition. Town of Vidalia shall not place unreasonable requirements on firms in order for them to qualify to do business. Nor will the Town encourage or participate in noncompetitive practices among firms. The Town is alert to organizational conflicts which would jeopardize the negotiation process and limit competition. Town of Vidalia will not require unnecessary experience or bonding requirements. Pursuant to state law, all solicitations of offers shall incorporate a clear accurate description of the technical requirements for the material, service, or product to be procured. In competitive procurements, these descriptions shall not contain features which unduly limit competition. The description may include a statement of the qualitative nature of the material, product, or service and the minimum essential characteristics and standards to which it must conform if it is to satisfy its intended use. Detailed product specifications shall be avoided whenever possible. A "brand name or equal" description may be used to define the performance or other salient requirements of procurement. The specific features of the named brand which must be met by offerers shall be clearly stated.

All solicitations of offers shall clearly set forth all requirements which offerers must fulfill and all other factors to be used in evaluating bids, proposals, or statements of qualifications. Contracts shall be awarded only to responsible contractors/firms that possess the potential ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed procurement. Consideration shall be given to such factors as the contractor's/firm's capacity, integrity, compliance with public policy, record of past performance, and financial and technical resources.

## METHODS OF PROCUREMENT

Direct procurement by the Town of Vidalia shall be made by using one of the following methods depending on the type of service to be procured.

Procurement by Micro-Purchases. Procurement by micro-purchase is the acquisition of supplies or services, the aggregate dollar amount of which does not exceed the micro-purchase threshold. To the extent practicable, the non-Federal entity must distribute micro-purchases equitably among qualified suppliers. Micro-purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotations if the non-Federal entity considers the price to be reasonable.

Small Purchase Procedures. Relatively simple, informal procurement procedures will be used where the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and/ or other property will not cost in the aggregate more than \$30,000, and for construction with a cost of less than \$150,000, except where further limited by state law or LCDBG policy. The small purchase procedure can also be utilized to procure administrative consulting and other professional services costing less than \$150,000. The only exception to professional services is for architectural/engineering services that must be procured through competitive negotiation. The procurement officer must obtain a minimum of three oral or written price or rate quotations from qualified sources. Documentation on all quotations received (whether oral or written) shall be made a part of the file.

Competitive Sealed Bids/Formal Advertising. Under this procedure bids are publicly advertised in accordance with the state's Public Bid Law. A firm fixed price contract (either lump sum or unit price) shall be awarded to the responsible bidder whose bid is lowest in price and that conforms to all the material terms and conditions of the advertisement for bids. Competitive sealed bids can be used ONLY when the following criteria are met: (1) there are complete, adequate, and realistic specifications or purchase descriptions; (2) there are two or more responsible bidders who are willing and able to compete effectively; (3) the procurement can be made on a firm fixed-price contract and selection of the successful bidder can appropriately be made principally on the basis of price.

When formal advertising is used the following conditions shall be met.

I. The advertisement for bids shall be publicly advertised in accordance with

state law.

II. The advertisement for bids, including the specifications and pertinent a

II. The advertisement for bids, including the specifications and pertinent attachments, shall clearly define the items or services needed in order for the bidders to properly respond to the advertisement.

III. All bids shall be opened publicly at the time and place specified in the advertisement for bids.

IV A firm fixed-price contract award shall be made by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder whose bid conforms to the advertisement for bids. Where specified in the bid documents, factors such as discounts, transportation costs, and life cycle costs shall be considered in determining which bid is lowest. Payment discounts shall only be used to determine low bid when prior experience indicates that such discounts are generally taken.

V. Notwithstanding the above, any or all bids may be rejected when there are sound documented business reasons in the best interest of the LCDBG Program. Competitive Negotiation: Requests for Proposals/Qualification Statements. This method may be used when formal advertising is not appropriate. Architectural and engineering services must be procured via requests for qualification statements; administrative consulting services must be procured via requests for proposals. Other professional services may also be procured by requests for proposals.

The following procedures will be used for competitive negotiation:

- Requests for proposals or qualification statements shall be by direct solicitation to an adequate number of firms. All submittals will be honored and entered into the competition.
   The package for proposals or qualification statements shall identify all significant or proposals.
- nificantevaluation factors or selection criteria, including the corresponding point system that will be used to rate the proposals/qualification statements.

  III. The selecting official (or committee, if one is designated) shall review all proposals and statements received and make a technical evaluation of each. This
- shall also include a written statement that identifies the basis upon which the selection was made.

  IV. Contract award will be made to the responsible offerer whose submission is deemed most appropriate to the Town of Vidalia with consideration for price, qualifications, and other factors set by the local government. Unsuccessful offerers shall be notified in writing within ten working days of contract award. Docu-
- mentation of notification shall be maintained in the contract selection file for the individual project.

  V. Following the review of the qualification statements received, the most qualified competitor will be selected to enter into contract negotiation. This shall always include negotiation of price to insure cost reasonableness. At the conclusion of successful negotiation, the competitor shall be invited to enter into a

Noncompetitive Negotiation/Sole Source. Noncompetitive negotiation shall be used when smallpurchase, formal advertising, or competitive negotiation procedures are not feasible.Noncompetitive negotiation will involve solicitations of a proposal from only one source. This can also occur if solicitations under the competitive negotiation procedures result in only one proposal or qualification statement. Noncompetitive negotiation shall only be used when written authorization has been obtained from the state's Office of Community Development, with the one exception noted. In order to qualify for this type of procurement, one of the following circumstances must apply:

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I. The item or service is available only from a single source;

II. It is determined that a public urgency or emergency exists and the urgency will not permit the delay beyond the time needed to employ one of the other three

methods of procurement

III. The state expressly authorizes noncompetitive proposes in response to a written request from the Town of Vidalia .

IV. After solicitation of a number of sources, competition is determined to be inadequate.

#### CONTRACT PRICING

Cost plus percentage of cost and percentage of construction cost methods of contracting MUST NOT be used. Town of Vidalia shall perform cost or pricing analysis in connection with EVERY procurement action including contract modifications. Costs or prices based on estimated costs for LCDBG projects shall be allowed only to the extent that the costs incurred or the cost estimates included in negotiated prices are consistent with federal cost principals. Cost reimbursement, fixed price, per diem contracts, or a combination thereof may be utilized as appropriate.

A cost reimbursement type contract is most appropriate when the scope and extent of the work to

extent of the work to be performed are not clearly defined. A cost reimbursement contract MUST

clearly establish a cost ceiling which may not be exceeded without formally amending the contract and must

identify a fixed dollar profit that may not be increased unless there is a contract

nendment that increases the scope of the work.

A fixed price contract is appropriate when the scope of work is very well defined and product oriented. A fixed price contract MUST establish a guaranteed price that may not increase unless there is a contract amendment that increases the scope of the work.

A per diem contract expected to exceed \$10,000 will not be considered unless Town of Vidalia has determined that a cost reimbursable or fixed price contract is not appropriate. Cost and profit included in the per diem rate MUST be specifically negotiated and shown separately in the proposal. The contract must clearly establish a ceiling price that may not be exceeded without formally amending the contract.

The Town may use a multiplier type of compensation under either the cost reimbursement or fixed price contract. The multiplier and the portions of the multiplier applicable to overhead and profit must be specifically negotiated and separately identified in the contract.

#### PROCUREMENT RECORDS

The Town of Vidalia shall maintain records sufficient to detail the history of the procurement. The records shall include the following contract provisions and conditions, as applicable for construction contracts.

(A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

(B) All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.

(C) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

(D) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). n accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a age determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Departnent of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontra Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must eport all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

(E) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of theAct, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

(F) Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

(G) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

(H) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

(I) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.

(J) See §200.322 Procurement of recovered materials.

(K) Pursuant to LRS 38:2227, public entities are required to obtain an attestation regarding past criminal convictions, if any, from the lowest bidder responding to advertisements and letting for bids for public works contracts. The Past Criminal Convictions of Bidders form must be included in all contracts for public works.

(L) Pursuant to LRS 38:2212.10, all bidders and contractors performing physical services with public entities must be registered and participate in a status verification system to verify that all employees in the state are legal citizens of the United States, or are legal aliens. The bidder/contractor must sign an attestation that they are complying with this law, and that all subcontractors will comply with

this law

(M) Pursuant to LRS 23:1726 bidders and contractors must certify that they are not being assessed penalties regarding unpaid worker's compensation insurance.

#### CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

The Town of Vidalia shall maintain contract administration systems that insure contractors/firms perform in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of their contracts or purchase orders. The accepted performance of contractors/ firms will be a factor in subsequent contract negotiations and award. Remedial action by the Town through legal processes shall be considered in instances of identified significant nonperformance.

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OF THE TOWN OF VIDALIA, LOUISIANA, HELD ON FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2021 AT 8:00 A.M. AT THE VIDALIA TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM, 200 VERNON STEVENS BLVD., VIDALIA, LA

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING OF THE

MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, met, in special session, at the Vidalia Town Hall meeting room, in Vidalia, Louisiana, on Friday, June 11, 2021, at 8:00 A.M.

There were present: Mayor Buz Craft, Aldermen Jon Betts, Brent Smith, Tommy Probst and Alderwoman Rosa I. Demby.

There was absent: Alderman Robert Gardner.

There were also present: Jay Lasyone, Town Clerk; George C. Murray, Jr., Town Attorney; and Town Accountant, Debra Moak, CPA.

The meeting was opened by the Mayor with the reciting of the Pledge

of Allegiance by those present, and the invocation was given by Alderman Betts. A quorum being present, the Mayor declared the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, to be duly convened, in special session, as the governing authority of said municipality, and opened the meeting for the conduct of business.

The Mayor then opened the floor for public comments on current agenda items. There being no comments, the Mayor closed the floor for comments.

Agenda Item No. 1 was public hearing on an Ordinance amending the operating budget of revenues and expenses for the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, for the fiscal year 2020-2021. A motion to enter into the public hearing was made by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderman Smith, and unanimously carried. There being no discussion or comments, the motion to exit the public hearing was made by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Betts, and unanimously carried.

Agenda Item No. 2 was Board discussion and vote on an ordinance amending the operating budget of revenues and expenses for the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, for the fiscal year 2020-2021. There being no discussion or questions, the Mayor called for the vote and Alderman Betts made a motion to approve the operating budget as presented, which motion was seconded by Alderman Smith. The roll call vote was as follows: FOR: Aldermen Betts, Probst, Smith and Alderwoman Demby. AGAINST: NONE. ABSENT: Alderman Gardner. The Clerk announced that the vote was 4 votes FOR and NO votes AGAINST and Alderman Gardner absent and the motion to approve the budget as presented was approved.

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Agenda Item No. 3 was adjournment. The Mayor announced that there was no further business and asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderman Smith, and unanimously carried by those present.

/s/ Jay LaSyone\_\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Buz Craft\_\_\_\_\_ JAY LASYONE, TOWN CLERK BUZ CRAFT, MAYOR

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ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR THE TOWN OF VIDALIA, LOUISIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Vidalia, Louisiana, in regular session, duly convened as the governing authority of said municipality, that:

## WHEREAS:

At this time there is a variance of greater than 5% in the general and special revenue funds and, therefore, pursuant to R.S. 39:1310 and R.S. 39:1311 it is necessary that the current annual budget be amended.

## AND WHEREAS:

 This proposed ordinance was previously introduced at the June 8 2021, meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen;

2) A public hearing was held by the Board of Aldermen on the 11th day June, 2021;

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby declared and ordained that the attached Amendment of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, institutes the following changes:

**GENERAL FUND**: Revenues and Other Financing Sources (Uses) for the General Fund are expected to be approximately \$763,500 higher than the original budget. The beginning fund balance is being amended to the actual fund balance at year end. A negative adjustment is being made in the amount of \$2,521 for this difference. Total expenditures are higher than the previous budget due to expenses related to the winter storm of 2021, unused leave time paid to long time, retired firefighters, and additional expenses in the police department. Revenues are higher due to proceeds received from the Cares Act due to the COVID19 pandemic.

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**: Revenues and Other Financing Sources (Uses) for the Special Revenue Fund are lower than originally expected by approximately \$1,756,100 primarily due to lower than expected hydro royalties. However, expenditures in the Sales Tax Fund and Hydro Fund are lower than expected by \$2,910,520 creating a total net increase of \$1,091,420 over the original budget amount. The beginning fund balance is higher from the proposed budget by \$1,790,758. Capital outlay and hydro production did not happen as predicted in the original budget.

In addition, the beginning fund balance for the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Fund, and the Enterprise Fund are being amended as well. The Debt Service Fund is showing a \$8,157 positive adjustment. The Capital Fund is showing a positive \$7,488 adjustment and the Enterprise Fund is showing a negative \$1,681,471 adjustment to the beginning fund balance.

The foregoing ordinance was read and considered, section by section, and then on motion by Alderman Betts, seconded by Alderman Smith, was submitted to a vote, as a whole, and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Aldermen Betts, Probst, Smith and Alderwoman Demby NAYS: None ABSTAINING: None ABSENT: Alderman Gardner

**WHEREUPON**, the Mayor declared the foregoing ordinance to be duly adopted this 11th day of June, 2021.

s/ Jay LaSyone s/Buz Craft

JAY LASYONE, CLERK BUZ CRAFT, MAYOR

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## **Public Notice Deadline**

Friday Noon
Notices accepted by mail or email
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