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REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASCENSION PARISH COUNCIL

April 16, 2026 - 6:00 PM
ASCENSION PARISH COURTHOUSE
607 E Worthey Road
Gonzales, LA

AGENDA

- (1) **Call To Order / Invocation and Pledge**
- (2) **Roll Call**
- (3) **Chair's Additions**
- (4) **Public Comment Sign- In Period**
- (5) **Parish President's Report:**
- (6) **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Adoption of February 5, 2026 Regular Council Meeting minutes
 - b. Adoption of February 19, 2026 Regular Council Meeting minutes
 - c. Adoption of March 19, 2026 Regular Council Meeting minutes
 - d. Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Jambalaya Capital of the World for a one-time payment of \$20,000.00 to assist with marketing, drawing in outside vendors and visitors, and generating increased tax revenue for Ascension Parish (Mike Gonzales, President Jambalaya Festival Association) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - e. Approval of renewal of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Volunteer Ascension for a term of five years in the amount of \$25,000.00 per year to promote and foster volunteerism in Ascension Parish which furthers the progress and policies of the Parish (Sherry Denig, President Volunteer Ascension) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - f. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Ascension Parish Government and Ascension Parish Assessor's Office, to replace the Assessor's Office roof, and for the Assessor's Office to pay fifty (50) percent of the project cost upon completion (Ricky Compton, Chief Administrative Officer) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
 - g. Approval of Renewal of Master Contract for Professional Services with Roberto Macedo

& Associates for Section 8 administrative services. Compensation to the provider shall be per the fee schedule (Hermine-Edward Irvin, Director Grants) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

- h. Approval of the Ascension Parish Professional Selection Committee's recommendation to select the highest scoring respondent, West Ascension Parish Hospital, for the Meal Services for the Children of West Ascension Early Learning Center and to authorize the Parish President to enter a contract (Colleen Arceneaux, Director Health and Community Development) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- i. Approval of Amendment No. 3 to the Master Contract with Mission Dental, LLC for dental services for inmates at the Ascension Parish Jail. The compensation to the Provider for these services is amended to include an increase of \$25,000.00 for a new not to exceed amount of \$60,000.00 through April 14, 2026 (Colleen Arceneaux, Director Health and Community Development) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- j. Approval of Change Order No. 1 to the contract with TKO Construction Solutions, LLC for the Oak Grove Park Renovations and Improvements project. This will increase the contract time by 21 days, due to excessive rainfall and weather conditions, for a total contract time of 241 days. This will not affect the contract cost (Randy Mullis, Director Project Management) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- k. Approval to accept the lowest responsive bid in the amount of \$198,750.00 submitted by CMC Corporate Solutions for the Chiller Replacement at the Governmental Complex Building and to authorize the Parish President to enter a contract for the project (Jason Thompson, Director Facility Management) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- l. Approval to accept the lowest responsive bid in the amount of \$3,904,000.00 submitted by Capitol Construction, LLC for the construction of the Ascension Council on Aging Prairieville Senior Wellness Center and to authorize the Parish President to enter a contract for the project (Dean Thomason, Project Manager III) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- m. Approval of Amendment No. 5 to the Grass Cutting Contract with E&C Bush Hogging, LLC to amend Attachments A & B to include one (1) additional location of 12341 Hwy 431, St. Amant, LA - St. Amant Recreation Center and Library. The total amendment amount is \$17,640.00 for a new total contract amount of \$230,148.00 (Geoff Sanders, Supervisor IV Recreation) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- n. Approval to accept \$35,000.00 from the National Fitness Campaign (NFC) Grant Committee and Statewide Partners, and endeavors to provide a local funding confirmation in the amount of \$140,000.00 in compliance with Grant Program Requirements to promote and implement a free to the public outdoor fitness court (Hermine Edward-Irvin, Grants Director) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- o. Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) for the LA 73 Roundabout at Bluff Road Connector Project, H.014918, and approval for Parish President Clint Cointment to execute the Agreement (Daniel Helms, Director Transportation) *Finance Committee Recommendation*
- p. Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) for the LA 431 at LA 931 Roundabout Project, Project Agreement Number PA610020, and approval for Parish President Clint Cointment to execute the Agreement (Daniel Helms, Director Transportation) *Finance Committee Recommendation*

(7) Planning and Zoning Recommendations

- a. Zoning Review ID PZ-3883.26 - Lot 12 for Joseph Braud - located on the north side of LA Highway 1 N approximately 370' west of Stewart Road to amend the Ascension Parish Zoning Map from Medium Intensity Residential (RM) to Crossroads Commercial (CC) TO ACCEPT OR DENY recommendation of the Zoning Commission to **DENY** the rezone

- b. Zoning Review ID PZ-3901.26 - Remainder of Lot 1 of Subdivision of Woodstock Plantation for MR Engineering (H&L Enterprises, LLC) located on the west side of LA Highway 405 approximately 1,300' south of Noel Road to amend the Ascension Parish Zoning Map from Conservation (C) District to Heavy Industrial (HI) TO ACCEPT OR DENY the recommendation of the Zoning Commission to **DENY** the rezone
- c. Zoning Review ID PZ 3911.26 - Lot A-1 for Tony Liotta - located on the east side of LA Highway 22 approximately 120' south of Melancon Road to amend the Ascension Parish Zoning Map from Rural (R) to Crossroads Commercial (CC) TO ACCEPT OR DENY the recommendation of the Zoning Commission to **APPROVE** the rezone
- d. Zoning Review ID PZ-3912.26 - Lot A1 for MR Engineering and Surveying - located on the north side of Swamp Road approximately 850' west of Airline Highway (US Hwy 61) to amend the Ascension Parish Zoning Map from Medium Intensity Residential (RM) to Mixed Use TO ACCEPT OR DENY the recommendation of the Zoning Commission to **DENY** the rezone

(8) General Business

- a. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Ascension Parish Sheriff Bobby Webre for maintenance and upkeep of AP Jail to add Section 1.02.1 Fixed Asset Purchases (CAO Ricky Compton)
- b. Resolution - in support of House Bill 997 that provides for publishing public notices on a political subdivision's official website (Chairman Chase Melancon)

(9) Condemnation Proceedings (Code Enforcement Officer Patrice Johnson)

- a. 6057 Brewerton Road (District 1)
- b. 9473 Highway 405 (District 1) - 90 day extension granted at the August 21, 2025 Council Meeting

(10) Introduction of Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)

- a. Introduction of Ordinance - to levy millage(s) on the 2026 tax roll on all property subject to taxation
- b. Introduction of Ordinance - to authorize the Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly projects MA-17-10 - Duplessis Road Safety Widening (US 61 - LA 73)
- c. Introduction of Ordinance - to authorize the Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly projects MA-22-02 - US 61 Superstreet - Lowe's Roundabout at LA 44
- d. Introduction of Ordinance - to authorize the Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly projects MA-23-05 - LA 73 at LA 74 Roundabout
- e. Introduction of Ordinance - to authorize the Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly projects MA-25-01 - Roddy Road at Black Bayou (LA 934) Roundabout
- f. Introduction of Ordinance - to authorize the Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly projects MA-25-02 - LA 44 at Causey Road/Merrit-Evans Road
- g. Introduction of Ordinance - to amend the Ascension Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15, Parks and Recreation, Article I - In General, Section 15-2 Park Rules and Regulations generally - to set rental fees for St. Amant Community Recreation Center *Recreation Committee Recommendation*

(11) Public Hearings Ordinances - (Legal Counsel)

- a. Reading of Ordinance - to prohibit ex parte communications by members of the Planning and Zoning Commission; to require disclosure and recusal; to provide for enforcement and removal and to provide for related matters *Councilman Brian Hillensbeck, Councilman Todd Varnado and Councilman Joel Robert*
- b. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to prohibit ex parte communications by members of the Planning and Zoning Commission; to require disclosure and recusal; to provide for enforcement and removal and to provide for related matters
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- d. Reading of Ordinance - to acquire a parcel of immovable property being one hundred twenty-seven and 961/1000 acres located in Section 22, T9S, R2E, Ascension Parish designated as Tract 12-A for the price of \$2,559,220.00 plus closing cost for East Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1
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Roundabout at Bluff Road Connector - 4 Lane to I-10, Parish Project Number MA-22-01 (ROAD220019)

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- p. Reading of Ordinance - to authorize Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly project LA 73 at Cornerview Road Roundabout, Parish Project Number MA-22-04 (ROAD220023)
- q. Public Hearing - to consider an ordinance to authorize Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly project LA 73 at Cornerview Road Roundabout, Parish Project Number MA-22-04 (ROAD220023)
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- s. Reading of Ordinance - to authorize Ascension Parish Government, through the office of the Parish President, to purchase or otherwise acquire certain parcels, rights of way, and/or servitude for the Move Ascension Program, particularly project Parker Road Corridor Improvements, Parish Project Number MA-23-09 (ROAD23005)
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- v. Reading of Ordinance - to revoke an existing twelve (12) foot utility servitude located on the northern portion of Lots 4-A & 4-B of the Nathan Sugarman property at 17904 Old Jefferson Highway **Moved to Council agenda via UDC 17.4050 (B.2)*
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(12) Executive Session

- a. Approval of Claim for LCA-0032575 - Subrogation Claim

(13) Adjourn

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