

LOUISIANA STADIUM AND EXPOSITION DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
FROM THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2014 MEETING

PRESENT: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham

ABSENT: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson

I. ROLL CALL and WELCOME

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Forman and there was a quorum for the meeting.

Chairman Forman advised the public of its right to speak between each agenda item and at the end of the meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Windham, seconded by Commissioner Brignac, the Minutes of the September 24, 2014 Board Meeting were adopted. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson.

II. SMG REPORT

In Doug Thornton's absence, Evan Holmes took the lead for the SMG Report. Mr. Holmes generally covered a number of important topics including: Capital Outlay requests are due by November 1st; the selection of a design firm for the first phase of enhancements projects at Zephyr Stadium; capital project progress at TPC-Louisiana; and the completion of upgrades at the Smoothie King Center.

Pat Tobler provided additional information concerning the Smoothie King Center including: opening night for the Pelicans; the success of the Paul McCartney and Katy Perry concerts; completion of construction issues and punch list items; and the overall good condition and closeout of the construction project. Chairman Forman commented on the success of construction projects during off season times and meeting the deadlines for Superdome and Smoothie King Center projects in a first class and timely manner. Alan Freeman added additional comments as did Commissioner Windham.

Alan Freeman then provided updates concerning recent event activity including: Saints home games with excellent food and beverage per caps; Champions Square activity; the One Direction concert with 47,500 tickets sold and \$810,000 in merchandise; the reopening of the Smoothie King Center with Katy Perry and Paul McCartney; Pelicans home games and 3 Saints games in the next 30 days; charity events including the Emeril Lagasse Foundation and Ochsner Hospital; and future events including Eric Church; the Harlem Globetrotters; and Cirque du Soleil.

Lastly, the SMG Team will be traveling to Indianapolis as part of the NCAA Final Four Committee to make a presentation for the future hosting of the Men's and Women's Final Four Basketball Tournaments.

III. FINANCE REPORT

David Weidler provided the Financial Report including: the continuing hotel tax revenue increases; LSED expenses within budget; Superdome revenues up by \$800,000 for the first 2 months of the fiscal year; Smoothie King Center revenues up by \$280,000 above budget; Champions Square is performing slightly below budget but the upcoming concert series should make up that difference. The audit by the Legislative Auditor's Office will be wrapping up in November with the Exit Conference set for November 19th.

IV. CONSTRUCTION REPORT

Pat Tobler then provided the Construction Project Report including the following: the near completion of the Superdome re-roofing/recoating project; the selection of a coating product that is mold resistant; the completion of Centerplate's work; the completion of the 200 Level carpeting project; ongoing projects at the Alario Center to replace the sports lighting in Halls "A" and "B"; the closeout of the Cuzan waterproofing project at the Alario Center; and future projects at the Alario Center including replacement upgrades of scoreboard systems and digital menu board signage.

V. FINANCE REPORT

None.

VI. LEGAL REPORT

Mr. Roedel then addressed the Legal Report and 11 Resolutions on the Agenda for consideration.

On motion of Commissioner Windham, seconded by Commissioner Brignac, the LSED authorized and approved Change Order Nos. 001 and 002 to the Contract between the LSED and Brazos Industries for the Superdome Roof Re-Coating Project. Change Order 001 is for \$5,201. Change Order 002 is for \$14,500. Pat Tobler's signature on each Change Order is authorized, and recordation of the Change Orders in the public records of Orleans Parish will take place. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-69** passed.

On motion of Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Windham, the LSED authorized and approved the retention of R&D Services, Inc. to test the solar reflectance and the color measurements on the Roof Re-Coating Project for a not to exceed fee of \$29,725. This retention will help finalize the Project and assist in securing the necessary warranty. Capital Outlay funding is the funding source. Pat Tobler is authorized to sign the Proposal for the LSED. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-70** passed.

On motion of Commissioner Brignac, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, the LSED authorized and approved additional supervisory work by Trahan Architects, in the amount of \$2,973, under ASR Nos. 001, with the funding source being the Capital Reserve Account. The additional supervisory work is required in conjunction with the R&D Services, Inc. (approved in the prior Resolution). Pat Tobler will be authorized to the ASR No. 001 for the LSED. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-71** passed.

On motion of Commissioner Brignac, seconded by Commissioner Windham, the LSED authorized and approved two Proposals for sound system services at the Superdome as submitted by Wrightson, Johnson, Haddon & Williams, Inc. ("WJHW"). Proposal one is for \$7,400 to cover the review and evaluation of the current sound system. Proposal two is for \$21,300 to re-tune and equalize the sound system. The Capital Reserve Account is the source of funding and Pat Tobler's signature will be authorized and ratified on each Proposal. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-72** passed.

After discussion by Mr. Roedel, on motion of Commissioner Windham, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, the LSED authorized and approved two agreements to amend and modify existing Servitudes of Pedestrian Passage to allow curb cuts and other pedestrian access modifications to be made to the existing servitudes in favor of the hotel developers who will build and open a hotel at 1250 Poydras, near the corner of Poydras and Loyola. The hotel project will be of great benefit to the LSED campus and will provide additional room nights, additional hotel taxes and additional guests to the LSED campus. Chairman Forman is hereby authorized to sign the agreements once in final form. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-73** passed.

On motion of Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Windham, the LSED authorized and approved Change Order Nos. 001 and 002 under the Contract between the LSED and CM Combs Construction for the Hall C Renovation Project at the Alario Center. Change Order No. 001 is in the amount of \$14,642. Change Order No. 002 is in the amount of \$42,840. The source of funding is Capital Outlay. Pat Tobler is hereby authorized to sign each Change Order, after which recordation will take place in the public records of Jefferson Parish. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-74** passed.

Following discussion by the Commissioners, Pat Tobler and Mr. Roedel, on motion of Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Windham, the LSED authorized and approved Change Order No. 001 in the amount of \$45,780 to the Contract between the LSED and Cuzan Services, L.L.C. for the Exterior Envelope Project at the Alario Center. Cuzan Services was required to replace 109 glass blocks that were either cracked or broken. The source of funding is Capital Outlay. Both Chairman Forman and/or Pat Tobler will be authorized to sign the Change Order, after which recordation will take place in the public records of Jefferson Parish. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-75** passed.

On motion of Commissioner Windham, seconded by Commissioner Brignac, the LSED authorized and approved the retention of Associated Design Group, Inc., for a not to exceed fee of \$26,794.52, to provide Consulting Electrical Engineering Services at the Alario Center. The fee is based on the approved Fee Curve set by the State of Louisiana and Capital Outlay Funding is the funding source. Pat Tobler's signature is hereby authorized on behalf of the LSED. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-76** passed.

Following discussion by Pat Tobler, on motion of Commissioner Windham, seconded by Commissioner Roberts, the LSED authorized and approved a Proposal submitted by Gould Evans for a not to exceed fee of \$76,476.84 for Architectural and Engineering Services at TPC Louisiana to improve the Golf Course Facility in several area. Pat Tobler will be authorized to sign the Proposal as the owner's representative. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-77** passed.

Following discussion by Commissioners Forman and Roberts, on motion of Commissioner Windham, seconded by Commissioner Brignac, the LSED authorized and approved the selection of Billes Partners + Ball Park Design Associates, for a not to exceed fee of \$55,064, for Professional Design Services – Phase I-Strategic Plan for capital enhancements at Zephyr Stadium. Chairman Forman will be authorized to sign the Agreement once it is in final form and thereafter the Agreement will be ratified by the LSED at a future meeting. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-78** passed.

Following discussion by Mr. Roedel and Jason Akers with Foley and Judell Law Firm, on motion of Commissioner Roberts, seconded by Commissioner Windham, the LSED authorized and approved a Resolution recognizing the continued retention by the LSED of the Foley and Judell Law Firm on an hourly basis for legal services related to revenue enhancements, financing options and bond related matters. This Resolution extends a prior Resolution/Agreement dated April 13, 2011. Chairman Forman and Secretary Julia Melara are hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the LSED. Voting in Favor: Ron Forman, J.E. Brignac, Dave Roberts, Bill Windham. Voting Against: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Robert Bruno, Julio Melara, Gregg Patterson. The **motion 14-79** passed.

VII. BOARD REPORTS

None.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no need for an Executive Session at today's meeting. The Louisiana Sports and Entertainment District meeting was cancelled.

Chairman Forman and Alan Freeman commended the excellent work done by the Sales and Marketing Staff with regard to event activities and promotional materials.

There were no additional speakers from the general public.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Windham, seconded by Commissioner Brignac, the public meeting was adjourned.