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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 10, 2026 - 5:30 PM

ASCENSION PARISH COURTHOUSE
607 EAST WORTHEY ROAD
GONZALES, LOUISIANA 70737

AGENDA

- (1) **Call To Order / Invocation and Pledge**
- (2) **Roll Call**
- (3) **Chair's Additions**
- (4) **Public Comment**
- (5) **GENERAL BUSINESS**
 - a. Presentation and Approval of Property and Casualty and Workmen's Compensation Insurance Rates for Ascension Parish (Bret Hughes, Hughes Insurance)
 - b. Approval of Renewal of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Economic Development Corporation (AEDC), Industrial Development Board, and Ascension Parish Government to assist with economic development in the Parish. The Industrial Development Board will set money aside for monetary obligations plus \$40,000 to be kept in reserve for future potential needs. Remaining funds will be transferred directly to the AEDC to be used for budgetary purposes and further economic development activities in the Parish (Kate MacArthur, President/CEO Ascension Economic Development Corporation)
 - c. Approval for Parish President Clint Cointment to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Donaldsonville Area Chamber of Commerce (Ruth Phillips, Infrastructure Division Director)
 - d. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Companion Animal Rescue of Ascension (CARA) to correct the term of the Agreement to January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 and Exhibit "D" Scope of Services performed by CARA (Ruth Phillips, Infrastructure Division Director)
 - e. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Management and Operating Agreement with Gaston's BBQ & Beer, LLC to extend the contract term to May 31, 2026. The compensation to the provider shall be per the original fee schedule (Colleen Arceneaux, Director Health and Community Development)
 - f. Approval to authorize the Parish President to enter into a contract in the amount of \$2,291,968.83 with CorrectHealth Ascension, LLC, the lowest of three proposals

submitted, to provide correctional healthcare services in the Ascension Parish Jail (Colleen Arceneaux, Director Health and Community Development)

- g.** Approval to apply for the 2025-2026 Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) program and to authorize Parish President Clint Cointment to sign and execute all documents relating to the application and/or Dawn Caballero, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer for financial documents (Hermina Edward-Irvin, Director Grants)
- h.** Approval to apply for the 2025-2026 Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP) and to authorize Parish President Clint Cointment to sign and execute all documents relating to the application and/or Dawn Caballero, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer for financial documents (Hermina Edward-Irvin, Director Grants)
- i.** Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Ascension Parish Government, Ascension Parish Sheriff, and Ascension Parish Fire District No. 1 to replace in its entirety the June 5, 2025 Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the construction of a firetruck driving track. The Sheriff shall construct the track at his expense and the Fire District will reimburse the Sheriff \$25,000.00 per year with a final payment of \$28,000.00 due January 31, 2032 (James LeBlanc, Director Governmental Affairs)
- j.** Approval of Act of Donation to accept three (3) vehicles from the District Attorney's Office by Ascension Parish Government. The vehicles being donated are: a 2005 Ford CRV (VIN #2FAFP71W15X101077), a 2008 Dodge Pickup (VIN #1D7HA18288J134858), and a 2008 Dodge Pickup (VIN #1D7HA18258J134977) (James LeBlanc, Director Governmental Affairs)
- k.** Approval of the Ascension Parish Professional Selection Committee's recommendation to select the highest scoring respondent, P2 Security Services, LLC, for the Lamar Dixon Expo Center Overnight Security Services and to authorize the Parish President to enter into a contract (Kyle Rogers, General Manager Lamar Dixon Expo Center)
- l.** Approval of Sponsorship Agreement with Parish Tractor Company, LLC for a site sponsorship package at Lamar Dixon Expo Center (LDEC) valued at \$120,000.00. Parish Tractor Company, LLC shall provide two tractors based on the needs of LDEC, four diesel side by sides, and four diesel lawn mowers in exchange for sponsorship rights and exclusive vendor status at LDEC (Kyle Rogers, General Manager Lamar Dixon Expo Center)
- m.** Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Master Services Contract with Primero Services, Inc. dba ServiceMaster Elite Cleaning Services to remove exhibit "Time & Material Rate Sheet", contract pages 18-23, from the scope of services for Lamar Dixon Expo Center (Kyle Rogers, General Manager Lamar Dixon Expo Center)
- n.** Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Master Services Contract with Primero Services, Inc. dba ServiceMaster Elite Cleaning Services to remove exhibits "Fire, Water and Mold Restoration and other Services" and the "Time and Material Rate Sheet", contract pages 30-39, from the scope of services (Jason Thompson, Director Facility Management)
- o.** Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Master Contract for Professional Services with Quality Engineering & Surveying, LLC for the Architectural Design for Prairieville Park Renovations. This amendment is to increase the contract amount by \$23,110.00 for a total amount of \$83,110.00. This amendment is also to extend the contract term to December 31, 2026, and is retroactive to December 4, 2024 (Randy Mullis, Director Project Management)
- p.** 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)
- q.** Approval of Change Order No. 1 to the Contract with M&J Civil Construction, LLC for the Dutchtown Rear Access Road Project, to increase the contract time by 11 days.

The increase is due to inclement weather and unforeseen site conditions. This change order only increases the contract time and does not affect the contract price (Daniel Helms, Director Transportation)

- r. Approval of Change Order No. 2 to the Contract with M&J Civil Construction, LLC for the Dutchtown Rear Access Road Project, to increase the contract time by 23 days due to an unmarked waterline conflict. This Change Order only increases the contract time and does not affect the contract price (Daniel Helms, Director Transportation)
- s. Approval of Amendment No. 2 for the Move Ascension Contract to increase the contract amount by \$4,500,000.00, for a new not to exceed amount of \$12,500,000.00 (Daniel Helms, Director Transportation)
- t. Approval of Renewal of Legal Services Contract with Long Law Firm, LLP for the lawsuit ANR Construction, LLC vs. Ascension Parish Government, 23rd Judicial District Court, Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, Suit No. C-122453, Division "D", and use of their services on any further contract litigation and general matters against Ascension Parish Government for a not to exceed amount of \$50,000.00 (Jean Paul Robert, Parish Attorney)
- u. Contract Report of all Contracts/Agreements entered into in the month of January 2026

(6) FINANCE REPORTS

- a. Approval of Resolution - 2025 Louisiana Audit Compliance Questionnaire - "BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, hereby adopts the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the 2025 Audit of the Government of the Parish of Ascension.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire be presented to the Auditors, Faulk & Winkler, said audit firm approved by the Ascension Parish Council and the State of Louisiana Legislative Auditor" (Dawn Caballero, Chief Financial Officer)

- b. Monthly Report of new positions added to the Ascension Parish Government Classification Plan in the month of January 2026 - No new positions were added.
- c. Parish Position Report - 4th Quarter 2025 (Megan Babin, Director Human Resources)
- d. Financial Update - Open Finance at <https://ascensionparishla.finance.socrata.com/#!/dashboard>

(7) Adjourn

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