

PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREATER NEW ORLEANS EXPRESSWAY COMMISSION, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2021, 10:00 A.M., VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE.

PRESENT: Wanda Theriot, Chair; Red Thompson, Treasurer; Gary Cooper, Secretary; Col. Evans Spiceland, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

ABSENT: Joy Zainey, Vice Chair

OTHERS: Carlton Dufrechou; Melissa M. Phillpott; Robert Graham; Commander Curt Franz; Lt. Mike Kelly; Stacie Heffker; Eileen Barthe; Crystal Scott; Craig Watson, Blue Williams; Liz Lambert, Riess LeMieux; Cary Bourgeois and Johnny Bradberry, GEC; Jim Martin, Ben Bartlett, and John Hartgreve, DEI; Bob Schmidt, Huval & Associates; Hossein Ghara, Volkert and Associates; Babak Naghavi, Hardesty and Hanover; Cullen Ledet, Modjeski and Masters; Faimon Roberts, the Advocate; and Shelby LaSalle.

Ms. Theriot called the meeting to order.

On the motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 5, 2021 were accepted as written. Ms. Theriot asked for comments or questions. There were none. Ms. Theriot, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Cooper, and Col. Spiceland voted in favor of that motion.

Mr. Dufrechou reported in May the Drawbridge operations included 14 vessel openings, 0 test openings and 0 incidents.

Mr. Dufrechou reported, since the last GNOEC meeting, there were no of fog operations since the last meeting.

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Mr. Dufrechou reported there were 309 breakdown responses in May on the Causeway Bridge. He stated 198 of those breakdowns were due to mechanical problems and 111 were caused by debris on the Causeway Bridge. Mr. Dufrechou reported 25 breakdowns on the Huey P. Long Bridge. He stated 21 of those breakdowns were due to mechanical problems. He stated 4 were caused by debris on the Huey P. Long Bridge. Mr. Dufrechou reported a total of 334 breakdown responses for both bridges in May.

Mr. Dufrechou reported in May were a total of 10 accidents on the Causeway Bridge. He stated 2 occurred Northbound and 9 Southbound. Mr. Dufrechou stated 2 were caused by breakdown or debris in the roadway. He reported there were 18 accidents that occurred on the Huey P. Long Bridge in May. Mr. Dufrechou stated 8 occurred Eastbound, 10 Westbound and 0 were caused by breakdowns or debris in the roadway.

Mr. Dufrechou reported the Causeway Bridge was closed, due to severe weather, from 6:30 pm to 7:50 pm on June 13, 2021.

On June 18, 2021, from 4:40 pm to 5:30 pm, the Northbound span of the Causeway Bridge was closed due to a jackknifed 18 wheeler.

Mr. Dufrechou showed a PowerPoint with events that occurred since the last Commission meeting.

On the Traffic Engineer request for proposals, staff recommended approval to advertise. On motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, the GNOEC desires to procure a traffic engineer. The traffic engineer will prepare the toll revenue budget estimates for the GNOEC for the upcoming fiscal year(s). The GNOEC hereby authorizes its General Manager to issue and advertise a Request for Proposal, seeking the services of a traffic engineer. Ms. Theriot asked the audience if anyone had

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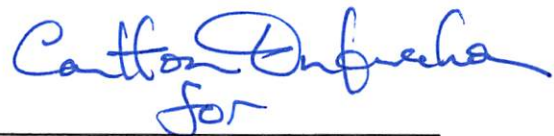
comments or questions for the Commission regarding this resolution. There were no additional comments or questions from the audience. Ms. Theriot, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Cooper, and Col. Spiceland voted in favor of the motion.

On the Official Journal, staff recommended selecting a proposal. On motion by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Thompson, the Official Journal for the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission is chosen for one year to publish all notices, proceedings, and financial statements as required by state law. Based on a proposals received, the Commission appoints the low bidder, the Times Picayune/Advocate, with a bid of \$0.33 per agate line, as the Official Journal for one year, effective July 3, 2021. Ms. Theriot asked the audience if anyone had comments or questions for the Commission regarding this resolution. There were no comments or questions from the audience. Ms. Theriot, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Cooper, and Col. Spiceland voted in favor of the motion.

Ms. Theriot reminded everyone the next meeting is tentatively scheduled on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. via Video Conferencing. There being no further business, the meeting was be adjourned.



Wanda Theriot
Chair



Gary Cooper
Secretary