

# JEDCO

Jefferson Parish Economic Development Commission

## Executive Committee Meeting April 24, 2014 8:30 A.M.

### Minutes

**Call to Order** 8:30 a.m.

**Attendance:** Tina Dandry-Mayes, Bruce Dantin, Greg Jordan, Bruce Layburn, Mark Madderra, Dr. Vinicio Madrigal, Bill Peperone, Paul Rivera,

**Staff:** Jerry Bologna, Lacey Bordelon, Cynthia Grows, Alberto Queral, Scott Rojas, Kelsey Scram, Dottie Stephenson, Penny Weeks

**Absences:** David Colvin, Roy Gattuso, Steve LaChute, Mike Rongey, Stan Salathe

**Attorney:** Linda Hewlett – Parish Attorney

**Guests:** John Young, Parish President  
Fred Trowbridge, Parish President's Office  
Kris Fortunate, Parish Public Information Officer

#### **I. Call to Order – Chairman, Greg Jordan**

- **Welcome** – Chairman Jordan opened the meeting by welcoming the above named guests and by leading in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
- **Presentation on Millage Renewal** – Parish President John Young began by saying that on May 3<sup>rd</sup> voters will be asked to renew the existing millage rates for another ten years. He shared a video presentation outlining the services funded by the millage: consolidated road lighting, judicial and culture, economic development, senior services and ambulance services. President Young asked the Board to inform their nominating organizations of the importance of renewing the existing tax.
- **Approval of Board Absences** – Dr. Vinicio Madrigal motioned to excuse Stan Salathe, Steve LaChute, Mike Rongey, Roy Gattuso and David Colvin; seconded by Bruce Dantin. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Approval of JEDCO Minutes for March 27, 2014** – Dr. Vinicio Madrigal motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by Mark Madderra. The motion passed unanimously.

## **II. Unfinished and New Business – Chairman Greg Jordan**

- **Resolution authorizing Contract with Landmark Surveying Inc. for surveying, mapping and engineering analyses in connection with donation of access road property – Dottie Stephenson**

Before accepting the donation of land from Churchill Farms, JEDCO must obtain legal descriptions of the parcels being donated, a survey for re-subdivision purposes and a typographical map. The most competitive proposal submitted for these services was from Landmark Surveying in the amount of \$14,672.

Dr. Vinicio Madrigal motioned to approve the resolution; seconded by Mark Madderra. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Motion approving Letter of Engagement with Southern Abstracts, Inc. to provide abstract of title to land being offered to JEDCO for heavy truck access road – Dottie Stephenson**

The required research can be done within fifteen days at a maximum cost of \$3,500.00. Dr. Madrigal motioned to approve the Letter of Engagement; seconded by Paul Rivera. The motion passed unanimously.

## **III. Executive Director Report – Jerry Bologna**

- **Prospects update**
  - Press Announcement – At 12:30 in the JEDCO Conference Center, the Governor will be making an economic development announcement regarding an IT company moving its headquarters from Georgia to Jefferson Parish. Board members were invited to attend.
  - Avondale – Senator Landrieu and Senator Vitter recently announced positive news for Avondale shipyard; Kinder Morgan will conduct a six-month study exploring multiple uses for the facility.
  - Delgado River City Campus– Staff met with Delgado to discuss a timeline moving forward with the Delgado River City Campus. The footprint of development not determined at this time, but may include High Performance Automotive. Construction is expected to begin in July 2015.

- Gretna CEA – The Gretna City Council approved the \$25,000 CEA between JEDCO and the City of Gretna. The CEA will be effective May 1, 2014.

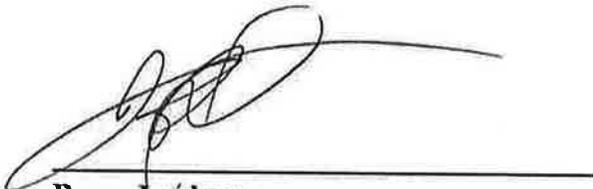
#### **IV. Financial Report**

- **Monthly Financial Report – Cynthia Grows**  
Dr. Vinicio Madrigal motioned to accept the report as presented; seconded by Paul Rivera. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **V. Public / Other Comments**

Dottie informed the Board that the settlement agreement with Woodrow Wilson Construction Company appears to be moving forward. At this time, they are requesting some language changes regarding the warranty, but no other changes to the agreement.

**VI. Adjournment** – Dr. Vinicio Madrigal motioned to adjourn; seconded by Paul Rivera. The motion passed unanimously.



**Bruce Layburn**  
**JEDCO Secretary**  
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