MINUTES OF THE LOUISIANA ARCHITECTS SELECTION BOARD April 15, 2020 (Postponed from March 18, 2020)

A meeting of the Louisiana Architects Selection Board (LASB) was held on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 via Zoom Teleconference. This meeting was postponed from March 18, 2020 due to the Coronavirus restrictions set forth in Executive Proclamations JBE 2020-30 and 2020-33, issued by Governor John Bel Edwards on March 16, 2020 and March 22, 2020, respectively.

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m. by Mr. Michael Hunley, Chairman. Those members present were: Mr. Michael Hunley, Mr. Benjamin Bradford, Mr. David Abrams, Mr. Brent Baumbach, Ms. Lisa Smeltzer and Mr. Mark Moses. Those members absent were: Ms. Jill Maumus. Also present as Legal Counsel was Ms. Candice Rodgers Hillman, Attorney General's Office.

The first item of business was the adoption of the January 15, 2020 meeting minutes. Mr. Baumbach moved to adopt the minutes, and Mr. Abrams seconded the motion. With no opposition, the January 15, 2020 meeting minutes were adopted.

The next item of business was to ask for any public comments. There was none.

The next item of business was new business. Mr. Moses thanked everyone for participating in the Zoom Teleconference.

Item #1: D. Vickers Hall Renovations and Addition, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, Louisiana; Project # 19-634-19-01, F.19002313; Ken Howe gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Due : 0 04 # 1 Eimm				Nominatio	n Ballot				
Project # 1 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
C – Holly & Smith Architects, APAC	3	3		3	Absent	1	3	3	16
I – Gasaway Gasaway Bankston Architects	1	1	1	2				2	7
M – Gould Evans, LLC				1		2	1	1	5
H – Post Architects, LLC	2	2					2		6
A – Piazza Architecture Planning, APAC			3						3
D – Blitch Knevel Architects Mathes Brierre Architects			2						2
K – RHH Architects, APAC						3			3

Per the new rule (Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 4, Part VII, Section 127.5), firm C received a majority of first place votes; therefore, the Firm of Holly & Smith Architects, APAC was selected by written majority vote.

Item #2: New Office / Warehouse Building and Bulkhead, LUMCON Houma Marine Campus Phase 2, Houma, Louisiana; Project # 19-674-19-01, F.19002314; Vincent Catalano gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Duainat # 2 Firm				Nominatio	n Ballot				
Project # 2 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
K – Duplantis Design Group, PC	2	2			Absent	1	3	3	11
T – Sizeler Thompson Brown Architects							1	2	3
L – Weimer Gros Flores/Crump Wilson Architects, AJV	3	3					2	1	9
Q – Waggonner & Ball Architects, APC	1	1							2
O – Mathes Brierre Architects, APC			3						3
J – Archestrate LLC			2						2
U – ACSW Architects, LLC			1						1
I – Grout Sanchez Design, LLC				3					3
E – Chase Marshall & Gould Evans, AJV				2					2
D – Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Inc.				1		2			3
B – ECM Consultants, Inc.						3			3

Final Ballot between Firm K and Firm L

Duciant #2 Firm		Final Ballot									
Project # 2 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total		
K – Duplantis Design Group, PC					Absent	X	X	X	3		
L – Weimer Gros Flores/Crump Wilson Architects, AJV	X	X	X	X					4		

The Firm of Weimer Gros Flores / Crump Wilson Architects, A Joint Venture was selected by written majority vote.

Item #3: Health Science Complex Renovation, Sugar Hall and Caldwell Hall; Project # 19-629-15-01, F.19002311; Michael Davis gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Duoinat # 2 Firm				Nominatio	n Ballot				
Project # 3 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
C – Ashe Broussard Weinzettle Architects Tipton Associates, AJV	2	2	1	3	Absent	3	2	3	16
D – Bradley-Blewster & Associates	1	1						2	4
B – Bledsoe Architects, LLC	3	3	3	2		1	3	1	16
A – Architecture+			2	1		2	1		6

Per the new rule (Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 4, Part VII, Section 127.5), firm B received a majority of first place votes; therefore, the Firm of Bledsoe Architects, LLC was selected by written majority vote.

Item #4: New Greenhouse, Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, Louisiana; Project # 19-621-19-01, F.19002310; Scott Williams gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

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Draigat # 4 Firm				Nominatio	n Ballot				
Project # 4 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
E – Duplantis Design Group, PC			1	1	Absent	3	1	3	9
A – GD Architecture, LLC	1	1		3		2	3	2	12
I – RHH Architects, APAC				2				1	3
F – Craig C. Hebert	3	3	2			1			9
D – Archestrate LLC	2	2	3				2		9

2nd Place Tiebreaker between Firms E, F and D

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Project # 4 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
E – Duplantis Design Group, PC				X	Absent	X		X	3
F – Craig C. Hebert	X	X							2
D – Archestrate LLC			X				X		2

Final Ballot between Firm A and Firm E

Duoisst # 4 Firms				Final B	allot				
Project # 4 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
A – GD Architecture, LLC	X	X	X	X	Absent		X		5
E – Duplantis Design Group, PC						X		X	2

The Firm of GD Architecture, LLC was selected by written majority vote.

Item #5: Exterior and Interior Repairs, Southern University Lab School, Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Project # 19-615-16-01, F.19002263; Eli Guillory gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Due is at # 5 Firms				Nominatio	n Ballot				
Project # 5 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
A – Domain Architecture			1	3	Absent	3		3	10
G – Manning Architects								2	2
J – Mougeot Architecture, LLC	3	3						1	7
I – Post Architects, LLC	2	2	3			1	1		9
F – Didier Architecture, LLC	1	1		2			2		6
E – Fusion BCB Architects, APC			2						2
L – By Day Reich Landscape Architecture, AJV				1					1
K – Ziler Architects, APAC						2			2
B – GD Architecture, LLC							3		3

Final Ballot between Firm A and Firm I

Project # 1 Firm Final Ballot									
Project # 1 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
A – Domain Architecture				X	Absent	X	X	X	4
I – Post Architects, LLC	X	X	X						3

The Firm of Domain Architecture was selected by written majority vote.

Item #6: Waterproofing, East Strawberry Stadium, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, Louisiana; Project # 01-107-18-02, F.01004000; Ken Howe gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Duois at # C Eirm		Nomination Ballot									
Project # 6 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total		
F – KVS Architecture	2	2	3	3	Absent		1	2	13		
G – Pascal Architects, LLC			2	2					4		
B – Gould Evans, LLC	3	3	1	1		1	3	3	15		
E – Yeates & Yeates Architects, LLC						3			3		
C – Didier Architecture, LLC						2		1	3		
D – Ehlinger & Associates, P.C.	1	1					2		4		

Per the new rule (Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 4, Part VII, Section 127.5), firm B received a majority of first place votes; therefore, the Firm of Gould Evans, LLC was selected by written majority vote.

Item #7: Reroof Multiple Buildings, Villa Feliciana Medical Complex, Jackson, Louisiana; Project # 01-107-18-02, F.01004009; Paul Hiestand gave a brief scope of the project and Patrick Eckler gave the choices; votes were recorded as follows:

Duois at #7 Firms				Nominatio	n Ballot				
Project # 7 Firm	Losavio	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
B – Corne Lemaire Group, An Architectural Corporation	1	1			Absent		1	3	6
A – Grout Sanchez Design, LLC	2	2	3	3		3	3	2	18
C – GD Architecture, LLC			1					1	2
E – Hoffpauir Studio, LLC	3	3	2	2			2		12
D – Barras Architects				1		2			3
G – Ziler Architects, APAC						1			1

Per the new rule (Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 4, Part VII, Section 127.5), firm A received a majority of first place votes; therefore, the Firm of Grout Sanchez Design, LLC was selected by written majority vote.

Item #8: Roof Preservation, Sections A-G, Louisiana Office of Emergency Preparedness, Department of Public Safety Headquarters, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Project # 01-107-15-04, F.01003980; Daniel McLaughlin gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

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Project # 8 Firm	Moses	Smeltzer	Hunley	Baumbach	Maumus	Bradford	Abrams	User	Total
F – Post Architects, LLC	3	3	2	2	Absent	3	3	3	19
D – Cockfield Jackson Architects, APAC	2	2	3	1		1		2	11
B – Didier Architecture, LLC							2	1	3
A – Hoffpauir Studio, LLC	1	1					1		3
G – Mougeot Architecture, LLC			1	3		2			6

Per the new rule (Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 4, Part VII, Section 127.5), firm F received a majority of first place votes; therefore, the Firm of Post Architects, LLC was selected by written majority vote.

Mr. Catalano asked a question about his project, #2, and the voting, specifically why it went to a final ballot. Secretary Daina Kroll explained that it was because there was no majority of votes for 1st place.

There being no further business, Mr. Bradford moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Mr. Abrams. There being no opposition, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.