

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF
THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION
HELD ON THE 23RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021

The Caddo Parish Commission met in a Regular Session, on the above date, at 3:30 p.m., via Zoom teleconference, with Mr. Johnson, presiding, and the following members in attendance constituting a quorum: Commissioners Burrell, Cawthorne, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (11). ABSENT: Commissioner Atkins (1).

The invocation was given by Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Epperson led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ADDITIONS

Mr. Johnson explained that there are several items under Agenda Additions, and these items need to be voted on by the Commissioner individually with a two-thirds vote in order to be placed on the agenda. He explained that they do not meet the eligibility requirements via a teleconference agenda.

Mr. Jackson asked for an explanation of this process. Attorney Frazier explained that the statute says that other matters that are time sensitive or critical and that is the determination of the presiding officer should not be delayed; however, such matters shall not be considered at the meeting unless the members of the body present at the meeting approve the consideration of the matters by a two-thirds vote.

It was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Jackson, *that Ordinance No. 6102 of 2021, in regards to Zoning Case No. 21-27-P, an ordinance to amend Volume II of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, by amending the zoning of property located on the north side of Ellerbe Road at the end of Redrick Drive, Caddo Parish, LA, from R-1-7, Single Family Residential District to C-1, Neighborhood Commercial District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto* be placed on the agenda under Zoning Ordinances for Introduction by Title. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Chavez, Epperson, Hopkins, Jackson, Lazarus, and Young (7). NAYS: Commissioners Johnson and Taliaferro (2). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins, Cawthorne, and Gage-Watts (3). ABSTAIN: None (0).

It was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Jackson, *that Ordinance No. 6103 of 2021, an ordinance creating the "Amazon TIF District, State of Louisiana"; defining the boundaries thereof from which local area sales tax, property tax, and hotel occupancy tax increments will be determined and used to finance economic development projects in accordance with and is authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing* be placed on the agenda under Ordinances for Introduction by Title. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Epperson, Hopkins, Jackson, Lazarus, and Young (6). NAYS: Commissioners Chavez, Johnson, and Taliaferro (3). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins, Cawthorne, and Gage-Watts (3). ABSTAIN: None (0).

It was **moved by Mr. Jackson**, seconded by Mr. Epperson, *that Resolution No. 65 of 2021, a resolution giving notice of intention to create an economic development district, and otherwise providing with respect thereto* be placed on the agenda under Resolutions. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Chavez, Epperson, Hopkins, Jackson, Lazarus, and Young (7). NAYS: Commissioners Johnson and Taliaferro (2). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins, Cawthorne, and Gage-Watts (3). ABSTAIN: None (0).

It was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, *that the confirmation of K.C. Kilpatrick Baird, Jamar "Doc" Myers Montgomery, Jessica Yeates, and Shelia Wimberly* be placed on the agenda under Old Business. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Chavez, Epperson, Hopkins, Jackson, Lazarus, and Young (7). NAYS: Commissioners Johnson and Taliaferro (2). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins, Cawthorne, and Gage-Watts (3). ABSTAIN: None (0).

At this time, it was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Burrell, *that a motion to approved consideration of items under LA.R.S. 42:17.1* be adopted as amended. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (10). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins and Cawthorne (2). ABSTAIN: None (0).

CERTIFICATE FOR TELECONFERENCE

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Louisiana has declared a statewide Public Health emergency, inclusive of Caddo Parish, in Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020;

WHEREAS, the Governor, has further extended that declaration via Proclamations

Number 158JBE 2020 and Number 159 JBE 2020; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 42:17.1 allows members of political subdivisions to participate in its meeting electronically under certain limited circumstances.

THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 42:17.1, the presiding officer of the Caddo Parish Commission hereby certifies that this meeting is to address matters that are:

- (a) directly related to the public Commission's response to the Coronavirus Pandemic and are critical to the health, safety, or welfare of the public.
- (b) that if they are delayed will cause curtailment of vital public services or severe economic dislocation and hardship.
- (c) critical to continuation of the business of the Commission and that are not able to be postponed to a meeting held in accordance with the other provisions of Open Meetings Law due to a legal requirement or other deadline that cannot be postponed or delayed by the public body.
- (d) critical or time-sensitive and have been determined by the undersigned should not be delayed;*

* Consideration of matters under Paragraph (d) will initially require a two-thirds vote of those members present. (This does not affect the vote necessary for adoption or any motion).

Date: September 22, 2021

/s/Lyndon B. Johnson
Commission President

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Councilwoman Tabitha Taylor submitted the following comment:

I would like to offer my support for Commissioner Johnson's legislation on curfews. Councilman Nickelson and I have tweaked our legislation, with the approval of the Administration, it will be on next week's City Council agenda. I think our bodies working together in unison is a very good thing. I also support setting up the TIF district on your agenda today with the provisions that the NLEP, Mr. Dixon, outlined during the recent Economic Development Committee meeting and what we discussed in the meeting, ensuring that no new taxes are levied. Commissioner Jackson has my support on this.

ADOPT REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

It was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Johnson, *to adopt the Regular Session Minutes from September 9, 2021. Motion carried.*

PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING ORDINANCES

The Chair of the Commission opened the public hearing for the following zoning ordinance:

- *Ordinance No. 6083 of 2021, in regards to Zoning Case No. 21-13-P, an ordinance to amend Volume II of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, by amending the zoning of property located on the north side of Flournoy Lucas Road, approximately five hundred fifteen feet west of Winderweedle Road, Caddo Parish, LA, from R-A, Rural Agriculture District to R-A PUD Rural Agriculture Planned Unit Development District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*

There being no one to speak in favor or against this ordinance, the Chair closed the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES

The Chair of the Commission opened the public hearing for the following ordinances:

- *Ordinance No. 6099 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation for vaccine and pandemic coordination efforts, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*

- *Ordinance No. 6101 of 2021, an ordinance amending and re-enacting Section 32-46.1 of the Caddo Parish Code of Ordinances regarding the Carrying of Weapons, and otherwise providing with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6104 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budgets of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the Building Maintenance Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, General Fund, Parks & Recreation Fund, Oil & Gas Fund, Public Works Fund, Detention Facilities Fund, Juvenile Justice Fund, Riverboat Fund, and the Solid Waste Fund for the year 2021 to terminate completed or lapsed capital projects, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6105 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the E. Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund for the year 2021 to appropriate Emergency Rental Assistance Program from the State of Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6106 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the E. Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund for the year 2021 to reduce the budget for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program 2, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6107 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues for the American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation of up to \$30,000 for the Martin Luther King Homeowners Association and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6108 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the Parks & Recreation Fund to appropriate No Kid Hungry Grant proceeds in the amount of \$49,925 and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6110 of 2021, an ordinance amending Section 8-8 to expand training opportunities for Animal Control Officers*

There being no one to speak in favor or against these ordinances, the Chair closed the public hearing.

ORDINANCES (for final passage)

It was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to overturn the ruling of the MPC in regards to *Ordinance No. 6083 of 2021, in regards to Zoning Case No. 21-13-P, an ordinance to amend Volume II of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo, as amended, the Caddo Parish Unified Development Code, by amending the zoning of property located on the north side of Flournoy Lucas Road, approximately five hundred fifteen feet west of Winderweedle Road, Caddo Parish, LA, from R-A, Rural Agriculture District to R-A PUD Rural Agriculture Planned Unit Development District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.*

Mr. Epperson said that it has always been his philosophy to maintain the integrity of neighborhoods. He also said that there are plenty areas for industrial development without changing the integrity of a residential neighborhood.

Mr. Hopkins pointed out that the area behind the neighborhood is industrial. He also explained that the developer will install screens for a buffer. Mr. Hopkins said that he is not in support of overturning the MPC's decision at this time.

Mr. Epperson said that the screens are not attractive. He asked that the Commission support his recommendation.

Mr. Chavez wanted to know what would happen next if Mr. Epperson's motion is adopted. Attorney Frazier said that the area would not change, but either party could seek to overturn the Commission's decision via a lawsuit. Mr. Chavez then wanted to know how many lawsuits has the Commission been involved in like this. Attorney Frazier said that there is one pending. Mr. Chavez asked if the Commission would have monetary losses if they went to court. Attorney Frazier said that the Commission could suffer monetary loss.

At this time, Mr. Epperson's motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Jackson, and Johnson (6). NAYS: Commissioners Hopkins, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (4). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins and Cawthorne (2). ABSTAIN: None (0).

It was **moved by Mr. Jackson**, seconded by Mr. Epperson, *that Ordinance No. 6099 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation for vaccine and pandemic coordination efforts, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto* be removed from the agenda. Motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (10). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins and Cawthorne (2). ABSTAIN: None (0).

It was **moved by Mr. Burrell**, seconded by Mr. Young, *that Ordinance No. 6101 of 2021, an ordinance amending and re-enacting Section 32-46.1 of the Caddo Parish Code of Ordinances regarding the Carrying of Weapons, and otherwise providing with respect thereto* be adopted.

Mr. Johnson said that this is a step in the right direction, but does not feel it would prohibit an actual act of violence. He would like there to be “more teeth in it”.

Mr. Hopkins wanted to know if the current ordinance includes the Parish parking lots. Attorney Frazier said that it does not. He also explained that there are several people who carry their weapons in their vehicles, and he is concerned “that we’re making criminals out of people who are not criminals”. Mr. Hopkins then wanted to know if the deputies would be allowed to enter and search a person’s vehicle if there are claims of a gun. Attorney Frazier said that before an officer can search, they will have to have probable cause or a reasonable suspicion.

Mr. Chavez wanted to know if there are currently signs in the parking lots stating that you must leave your weapons in your vehicle. Mrs. Bryant is unaware of those types of signs. Mr. Chavez suggested that these signs be placed in parish parking lots. He said that he will be voting no on this matter. He sees the purpose for this, but is concerned that it will have some unintended consequences.

Substitute motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Burrell, *that Ordinance No. 6101 of 2021, an ordinance amending and re-enacting Section 32-46.1 of the Caddo Parish Code of Ordinances regarding the Carrying of Weapons, and otherwise providing with respect thereto* be postponed until the next Regular Session.

Mr. Jackson said that there seems to be a concern with having a weapon on a person and in their vehicle. He feels that there needs to be more discussion and vetting to be had on this ordinance.

Mrs. Gage-Watts wanted to know if the ordinance should reflect not having any firearms on any Caddo Parish property. She does understand the reservations with this ordinance, but it is the Commissioners’ job to provide public safety.

Mr. Burrell wanted to know if someone could have a firearm in their vehicle. Attorney Frazier said that the ordinance reads that a person cannot.

Mr. Jackson wanted to know if there are any exceptions to these rules. Attorney Frazier said that she would need to research this further. He also asked Attorney Frazier to research the enforcement of this ordinance.

At this time, Mr. Jackson’s substitute motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Chavez, Hopkins, Jackson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (7). NAYS: Commissioners Cawthorne, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Johnson (4). ABSENT: Commissioner Atkins (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

Mr. Johnson said that he will remand this ordinance to the Juvenile Justice Committee to be vetted further prior to it being brought back before the full body.

It was **moved by Mr. Johnson**, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, *to englobo and adopt the following ordinances:*

- *Ordinance No. 6104 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budgets of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the Building Maintenance Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, General Fund, Parks & Recreation Fund, Oil & Gas Fund, Public Works Fund, Detention Facilities Fund, Juvenile Justice Fund, Riverboat Fund, and the Solid Waste Fund for the year 2021 to terminate completed or lapsed capital projects, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6105 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the E. Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund for the year 2021 to appropriate Emergency Rental Assistance Program from the State of Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*

- *Ordinance No. 6106 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the E. Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund for the year 2021 to reduce the budget for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program 2, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6107 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues for the American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation of up to \$30,000 for the Martin Luther King Homeowners Association and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6108 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues & Expenditures for the Parks & Recreation Fund to appropriate No Kid Hungry Grant proceeds in the amount of \$49,925 and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6110 of 2021, an ordinance amending Section 8-8 to expand training opportunities for Animal Control Officers*

At this time, Mr. Johnson's motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Cawthorne, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (11). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Atkins (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

ORDINANCE NO. 6104 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, GENERAL FUND, PARKS AND RECREATION FUND, OIL AND GAS FUND, PUBLIC WORKS FUND, DETENTION FACILITIES FUND, JUVENILE JUSTICE FUND, RIVERBOAT FUND, AND THE SOLID WASTE FUND FOR THE YEAR 2021 TO TERMINATE COMPLETED OR LAPSED CAPITAL PROJECTS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission maintains an on-going capital improvement program; and

WHEREAS, this program is funded from a variety of sources; and

WHEREAS, Section 6.07 of the Home Rule Charter provides for the termination of capital appropriations; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the budgets of several funds in order to reflect the termination of these capital appropriations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, hereby terminates capital appropriations identified in Attachment #1 to this ordinance and that the Budgets of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Building Maintenance Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, General Fund, Parks and Recreation Fund, Oil and Gas Fund, Public Works Fund, Detention Facilities Fund, Juvenile Justice Fund, Riverboat Fund and the Solid Waste Fund for the year 2021 are hereby amended as follows:

<u>Line Item</u>	<u>Budget Increase (Decrease)</u>
Capital Outlay Fund:	
Capital Expenditures	\$ (2,274,224)
Transfer to Building Maintenance	73,540
Transfer to Capital Improvement Fund	37,928
Transfer to General Fund	28,634
Transfer to Parks & Recreation Fund	6,290
Transfer to Oil & Gas Fund	82,065
Transfer to Public Works Fund	1,379,771
Transfer to Solid Waste Fund	565,711
Transfer to Detention Facilities Fund	73,191
Transfer to Juvenile Justice Fund	8,023
Transfer to Riverboat Fund	19,071

Building Maintenance:

Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	73,540
Capital Improvement Fund:	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	37,928
General Fund:	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	28,634
Parks and Recreation Fund:	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	6,290
Oil and Gas Fund:	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	82,065
Public Works Fund:	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	1,379,771
Solid Waste Fund:	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	565,711
Detention Facilities Fund	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	73,191
Juvenile Justice Fund	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	8,023
Riverboat Fund	
Transfer from Capital Outlay Fund	19,071

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 6105 OF 2021

BY CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE E EDWARD JONES HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR 2021 TO APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY RENTALASSISTANCE PROGRAM FROM THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) made available \$25 billion to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana received ERAP funds from the US Treasury for the benefit of Parish of Caddo residents;

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo has agreed to administer the funds on behalf of the State; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2021 Budget in order to appropriate said grant proceeds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the E. Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund for the year 2021 is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>Budget Increase (Decrease)</u>
<u>E. Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund</u>	

Revenues:	
Federal Grant	\$8,666,591
Expenditures:	
Grant Programs	\$8,666,591

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 6106 OF 2021

BY CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE E EDWARD JONES HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR 2021 TO REDUCE THE BUDGET FOR THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Emergency Rental Assistance Program 2 (ERA2) under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 made available \$21.55 billion to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo originally appropriated \$8,164,154 for ERA2 from the US Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the US Treasury only directly appropriated 40% of the total allocation for Parish of Caddo to the Parish; and

WHEREAS, the remaining 60% was appropriated to the State of Louisiana for the Parish of Caddo; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2021 Budget in order to revise the budget for the correct grant proceeds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the E Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund for the year 2021 is hereby amended as follows:

<u>E Edward Jones Housing Trust Fund</u>	<u>Budget Increase (Decrease)</u>
Revenues:	
Federal Grant	\$(4,898,493)
Expenditures:	
Grant Programs	\$(4,898,493)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 6107 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED

REVENUES FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION OF UP TO \$30,000 FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) became law on March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, for the first time all municipal governments are entitled to direct, non-competitive federal formula grant from the US Treasury Department; and

WHEREAS, Caddo Parish will receive a total of \$46.59 million from the ARPA; and WHEREAS, Caddo Parish Commission would like to appropriate up to \$30,000 to provide for revenue replacement for the MLK Homeowners Association; and

WHEREAS, the MLK Homeowners Association was unable to rent their facility in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the revenue replacement funding is needed to continue to provide a safe haven for senior citizens in the area; and

WHEREAS, this amendment is recommended by the American Rescue Plan committee; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2021 budget for the American Rescue Plan Fund; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the American Rescue Plan Fund for the year 2021 be amended as follows:

	<u>Budget Increase (Decrease)</u>
<u>American Rescue Plan Fund:</u>	
Expenditures:	
Federal Grant Expenditures	\$30,000

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 6108 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION FUND TO APPROPRIATE NO KID HUNGRY GRANT PROCEEDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$49,925 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Caddo Parish Parks and Recreation applied for the No Kid Hungry Grant; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, No Kid Hungry awarded Caddo Parish Parks and Recreation a \$49,925 grant; and

WHEREAS, Caddo Parish Parks and Recreation will use these funds to provide pre-packaged summer/snacks and meals to participating youth during summer programming; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Parks and Recreation Fund for the year 2021 is hereby amended as follows:

Parks and Recreation Fund

Revenues:

Other Grants \$49,925

Expenditures:

Grant Programs \$49,925

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 6110 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 8-8 ", OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE PARISH OF CADDO, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has been in effect for approximately eighteen months; and

WHEREAS, the pandemic has caused training delays for animal control officers; and

WHEREAS, virtual national training opportunities for animal control officers have been identified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to-wit:

Sec. 8-8 Enforcement.

- (a) The department shall have the authority to appoint animal control officers and such other personnel as it deems proper for maintaining a public animal shelter and to enforce the provisions of this chapter.
- (b) The director shall appoint and duly commission animal control officers, who have successfully completed training offered by the State of Louisiana Animal Control Academy, or any equivalent training. Additionally, each animal control officer must receive euthanasia certification through the State of Louisiana State University Veterinary School, prior to performing euthanasia.
- (c) The director and duly appointed animal control officers shall have authority to exercise the following limited police powers:
 - (1) Issue citations for the enforcement of this chapter, as well as take action necessary to enforce state statutes regarding animals.
 - (2) Obtain warrants for such violations and assist law enforcement personnel in making arrests for such violations.
 - (3) Submit affidavits to the courts regarding such violations.
- (d) In enforcing the provisions of this Code, the director or his authorized representatives are authorized to enter private property without warrant to pursue, capture, or otherwise apprehend animals subject to impoundment or restraint under the provisions of this chapter. If an animal enters an uninhabited structure and the officer can safely gain entry in the same manner as the animal, the officer may enter the structure to capture the animal. If the animal enters the structure through an opening such as a window, hole in the wall or like entrance, the structure will be secured and the officer will obtain permission to enter from the owner/tenant or obtain a warrant to enter the structure. If human safety is a

legitimate and immediate concern, the officer may enter the uninhabited structure to capture the animal. This authority to enter does not include in habited structures unless other justifications dictate immediate entry.

- (e) All parish sheriffs, police officers employed by municipalities within the parish, and the parish animal control officers have authority to enforce provisions of this section.
- (f) For any prosecution of a violation of this chapter which results a conviction, district attorney probation, or nolo contendere, there shall be an administrative fee in addition to any other fees. This fee shall be as established by the parish commission, from time to time, and shall be dedicated to the operation of Caddo Parish Animal Services and shall not be waived.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

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ZONING ORDINANCES (for introduction by title)

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ORDINANCES (for introduction by title)

- *Ordinance No. 6103 of 2021, an ordinance creating the "Amazon TIF District, State of Louisiana;" defining the boundaries thereof from which area local sales tax, property tax, and hotel occupancy tax increments will be determined and used to finance economic development projects in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1959, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing*
- *Ordinance No. 6112 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues for the American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation for Caddo Parish Juvenile Court, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6113 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues for the American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation for Volunteers for Youth Justice for truancy, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6114 of 2021, an ordinance amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues for the American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation of up to \$30,000 for Red G Enterprises, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Ordinance No. 6115 of 2021, an ordinance to enact Sections 32-115 to 32-118 of the Code of Ordinances of Caddo Parish relative to Curfews, to provide for a curfew for persons under 18 years of age, to provide for penalties for violation of said curfew, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*

WORK SESSION MINUTES

It was **moved by Mr. Johnson**, seconded by Mr. Taliaferro, *that the Work Session Minutes from September 20, 2021 be ratified. Motion carried.*

RESOLUTIONS

It was **moved by Mr. Chavez**, seconded by Mr. Jackson, *that Resolution No. 64 of 2021, a resolution requesting the Registrar of Voters and Caddo Parish Administrator to take all necessary action*

to add an early voting location at the Shreve Memorial Hamilton Library, and otherwise providing with respect thereto be adopted.

Substitute motion by Mr. Lazarus, seconded by Mr. Jackson, *to englobe and adopt the following resolutions:*

- *Resolution No. 64 of 2021, a resolution requesting the Registrar of Voters and Caddo Parish Administrator to take all necessary action to add an early voting location at the Shreve Memorial Hamilton Library, and otherwise providing with respect thereto*
- *Resolution No. 65 of 2021, a resolution giving notice of intention to create an economic development district, and otherwise providing with respect thereto*
- *Resolution No. 69 of 2021, a resolution to provide an annual certification to the State of Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development in accordance with Off-System Bridge Replacement Program, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto*
- *Resolution No. 70 of 2021, a resolution urging and requesting law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction in Caddo Parish to enforce law regarding teen curfews, including but not limited to LA.R.S. 32:416.1, and otherwise providing with respect thereto*

Mr. Jackson said that the Registrar's target date is Spring 2022 for an additional satellite location.

He also talked about the Amazon TIF District. He said that this does not set up the district; it is only a notice requirement. Mr. Jackson also said that he spoke with the representatives from Amazon, and they have no issues with the TIF. He encouraged all to email questions and concerns to him, and he will put together an FAQ.

Substitute motion by Mrs. Gage-Watts, seconded by Mr. Johnson, *to add the Louisiana State Museum for future consideration as an early voting location.*

She said that it is advantageous to have a second early voting location, but it needs to serve everyone. Attorney Frazier said that the Secretary of State would need to give final approval for any additional early voting locations. Mr. Jackson pointed out that the resolution has language in it that states: Be it further resolved, that the Parish Administrator and Registrar of Votes are urged to continue to work with the Northwest Louisiana Legislative Delegation to establish additional early voting locations throughout Caddo Parish. Mrs. Gage-Watts explained that her motion is to add the Louisiana State Museum for future consideration.

Amendment by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Lazarus, *to add the Louisiana Oil & Gas Museum in Oil City for future consideration as an early voting location.*

Mr. Hopkins also mentioned that it is a state facility, so the secured lines are already there.

Mr. Johnson said that the LA State Fair Museum also has the secured lines, as well as a generator. He pointed out that the library does not.

At this time, Mr. Hopkins' amendment carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Cawthorne, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (11). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Atkins (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

At this time, Mr. Lazarus' motion carried as amended, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Cawthorne, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (11). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Atkins (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

RESOLUTION NO. 64 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION

RESOLUTION REQUESTING REGISTRAR OF VOTERS AND CADDO PARISH ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION TO ADD AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION AT THE SHREVE MEMORIAL HAMILTON LIBRARY, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission recognizes that early voting is an important part of elections; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Caddo Parish Commission to ensure that early voting is as safe and convenient as possible for citizens during the COVID19 pandemic and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission believes that adding an early voting location in addition to the Registrar of Voters' Office will increase convenience to the citizens, thus increasing voter participation; and

WHEREAS, the Shreve Memorial Hamilton Library will provide convenient geographic access to diverse constituencies and has a growing population trend; and

WHEREAS, the Caddo Registrar of Voters has assessed the site and provided feedback to the Commission that with minor modifications, the site will be good for an additional early voting location.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Caddo Parish Commission, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby request the Registrar of Voters and Caddo Parish Administrator to take any and all necessary action to add an early voting location at Shreve Memorial Hamilton Library.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator and Registrar of Voters are urged to continue to work with the Northwest LA legislative delegation to establish additional early voting locations throughout Caddo Parish, with priority consideration given to the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum in Shreveport, LA and the Louisiana Oil and Gas Museum in Oil City, LA.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

RESOLUTION NO. 65 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION GIVING NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CREATE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9038.31, *et seq.*) (the "EDD Act") authorizes municipalities, parishes and certain other local governmental subdivisions to create economic development districts to carry out the purposes of the EDD Act, which economic development districts are political subdivisions of the State of Louisiana and possess such power and authority and have such duties as provided by the EDD Act and other law; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), acting through this Parish Commission as its governing authority, desires to avail itself of the EDD Act to create an economic development district to be called the "Amazon TIF District, State of Louisiana" (the "District"), in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.32, in which local and State sales tax and property tax increments are expected to be determined and used to fund infrastructure for the District and other Caddo Parish economic development projects; and,

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9038.34(O) provides that this governing authority may create a special trust fund for the furtherance of economic development projects, as defined in the EDD Act, into which the incremental increases in such sales, property and hotel occupancy taxes shall be deposited and loaned, granted, donated, or pledged in furtherance of economic development projects as defined in the EDD Act; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the EDD Act, particularly La. R.S. 33:9038.32(B) and La. R.S. 33:9038.39, the Parish now desires to give notice of its intention and to hold a public hearing relative to the proposed creation of the District, including a description of the boundaries of the District and containing a map showing the boundaries of the District; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana, that:

THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION HEREBY RESOLVES:

SECTION ONE: Intention to Create Economic Development District. In accordance with the EDDAct, and particularly La. R.S. 33:9038.32 and La. R.S. 33:9038.39, the Parish does hereby give notice of its intention to create an economic development district to be called the "Amazon TIF District, State of Louisiana," and to collect tax increments pursuant to La. R.S. 33:9038.39 for the purpose of paying the costs of economic development projects as defined in La. R.S. 33:9038.34(M) and La. R.S. 33:9038.36. The proposed economic development district shall have the boundaries described in Exhibit A to this resolution.

SECTION TWO: Notice of Intention. The Clerk of the Commission is authorized and directed to publish a notice of intention, in substantially the following form, which notice shall be published two (2) times in the Parish's official journal prior to the public hearing described therein:

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CREATE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
IN THE PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Caddo Parish Commission (the "Commission"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Caddo, Louisiana (the "Parish"), proposes to consider the adoption of an ordinance, pursuant to La. R.S. 33:9038.32, creating an economic development district within the Parish to be called the "Amazon TIF District, State of Louisiana" (the "District").

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that upon the creation of the District, the Governing Authority, in its capacity as the governing authority of the newly created District, further proposes to consider the adoption of ordinances, pursuant to La. R.S. 33:9038.39, collecting tax increments, for the purpose of financing economic development projects, as defined in La. R.S. 33:9038.34(M) and La. R.S. 33:9038.36 (the "District Taxes"). The proceeds of the incremental revenues of Parish sales, property and hotel occupancy taxes designated by this Governing Authority for such purposes, will be deposited in a special trust fund to be used for the furtherance of economic development projects within the District and Caddo Parish, all pursuant to the authority of Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9038.31, *et seq.*).

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Commission will meet in open and public session on October 7, 2021 at three-thirty o'clock (3:30) p.m., at the Government Plaza, 505 Travis Street, Shreveport, in Caddo, Louisiana, to hear any objections to the creation of the District as described above.

A description of the boundaries of the proposed District, and a map of the proposed District, are as follows:

[LEGAL DESCRIPTION & MAP, AS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT A TO THIS RESOLUTION, TO BE ATTACHED TO NOTICE IN PUBLICATIONS]

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SECTION THREE: Public Hearing. At the date, time and place mentioned in the aforesaid Notice of Intention, or at such other time and place as may be determined by the Commission and properly advertised, this Governing Authority will meet in open and public session, to hear any objections to the proposed creation of the District, and may consider the adoption of an ordinance creating the district.

SECTION FOUR: Authorization of Officers. The Parish Administrator and Clerk of the Commission are hereby authorized and empowered to do all acts, sign any and all instruments or documents, and do all things necessary and proper in order to carry out the purpose and provisions of this resolution.

SECTION SIX: Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective upon publication.

**EXHIBIT A
RESOLUTION NO. 65 OF 2021**

BOUNDARIES AND MAP OF PROPOSED AMAZON TIF DISTRICT, STATE OF LOUISIANA

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN CADDO, PARISH, LOUISIANA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Begin in the center of ROW for Hwy 71; where the ROW of LA Hwy. 71 (North Market St.) intersects with the South ROW of LA Hwy. 3194 (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.) and the POB of herein described property, thence run Easterly along the South ROW of LA Hwy. 3194, 996', thence run North 10', thence East 40', to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814100390015, thence run South 760', to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814100460001, thence run Southwesterly 104', thence continue Southwesterly 417' to intersection with the East ROW of LA Hwy. 71, thence run Southeasterly along the East ROW of LA Hwy. 71, 3,489', thence run West along the East ROW of LA Hwy. 71, 20', thence continue Southeasterly along East ROW of LA Hwy. 71, 319' to the North line of property Geo.#1814230630001, thence run Northeasterly 205' to the Northeast corner of said property, thence Southeasterly 175' to the North line of property Geo.#1814230800001, thence run East 25' to the Northeast corner of said property, thence run South 150' to Southeast corner of said property, thence run West 250' to the East ROW of LA Hwy. 71, thence Southeasterly along the East ROW of LA Hwy. 71, 440' to the Northwest corner of property Geo.#1814230560001, thence run Easterly 130' to Northwest corner of property Geo.#1814230560012, thence continue Easterly 100' to the Northwest corner of property Geo.#1814230560014, thence continue Easterly 132' to the Northeast corner of said property, thence Southeasterly along East line of said property 182' to the North ROW of Nelson Street, continue Southeasterly across Nelson Street ROW 60' to the South ROW of Nelson Street, thence Westerly along South ROW of Nelson Street 88' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230570022, thence continue Southeasterly along East line of said property 378.5', thence run Southwesterly across drainage ditch 20' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230570002, thence Southeasterly along East line of said property 101.7' to Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230570024, thence Southeasterly along East line of said property 219.5' to Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230570023, thence Southeasterly along East line of said property 110' to Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230570015, thence Southeasterly along East line of said property 100' to the North line of property Geo.#1814230570014, thence run East 20' to Northeast corner of said property, thence Southeasterly 86.5', thence West 40', thence Southeasterly along East line of said property 380.9' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230540029, thence continue Southeasterly along East line of said property 162' to the North ROW line of Barton Drive, thence continue Southeasterly across Barton Drive ROW 80' to Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230810001, thence continue Southeasterly along East line of said property 195.44' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230550018, thence continue Southeasterly along East line of said property 390' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230550016, thence continue Southeasterly along East line of said property 110' to the North line of property Geo.#1814230860001, thence run East along the North line of said property 147' to the Northeast corner of said property, thence run South along East line of said property 115.43' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230550011, thence continue along East line of said property 173' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230550005, thence continue along the East line of said property 461' to the East ROW of LA Hwy. 71 at the intersection of North Hearne Av., thence run Southwesterly 180' across LA Hwy. 71 ROW to the Southeast corner of property Geo.#1814230000062, thence continue Southwesterly along South line of said property 175' to the Southeast corner of property Geo.#1814230000107, thence continue Southwesterly along South line of said property 237' to the East ROW line of Fullerton Street, thence run North along the East ROW of Fullerton Street 348', thence run West along the North ROW line of Fullerton Street 80' to the Northeast line of property Geo.#1814230000094, thence run Northwesterly along Northeast line of said property 272' to the Southeast corner of property Geo.#1814230600013, thence continue Northwesterly along the Northeast line of said property 797' to the South ROW line of Barton Drive, thence continue Northwesterly across Barton Drive ROW 60' to the Southeast corner of property Geo.#1814230600012, thence continue Northwesterly along the East line of said property 744.65' to the Northeast corner of said property, thence run Southwesterly along the North line of said property 170' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230600013, thence continue Southwesterly along the North line of said property 146' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230000122, thence run South along the East line of said property 353' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814230620024, thence continue in a South and Southwesterly direction along the East property line of Lots 24 through Lot 1 of the Hunter Industrial Center as noted in Book 1800 at Page 385, records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, a distance of 2,793.37' to the North ROW of Forum Drive, thence run Southwesterly across Forum Drive ROW 80' to the South ROW line of Forum Drive, thence run Northwesterly along the South ROW line of Forum Drive 1,256.72' to the Northeast corner of property Geo.#1814220010001, thence run Southwesterly along the North line of said property 884.25' to the South line of property Geo.#1814230890001, thence run Northwesterly 157.38', thence Northwesterly 1,268.69', thence North 433.01', thence Northeasterly 1,039.86', thence Northeasterly 1,392.29', thence Northeasterly 241.18', thence Northeasterly 620.33', thence Northeasterly 85.54, thence East 139.08' to center line of Nelson Street right-of-way, thence run East 583' along centerline of Nelson Street right-of-way, thence North across right-of-way 30' to Southwesterly Corner of property Geo. #1814140000121, thence run Northwesterly along West line of said property 665', thence Northeasterly along North line of said property 497' to Southeast Corner of property Geo.#1814140000122, thence Northwesterly along West line of said property 167' to the South line of property Geo.#1814140090001, thence run Westerly along said South line of said property 22' to Southwest Corner of said property, thence Northwesterly along West line of said property 160' to South right-of-way line of Kitty Lane, thence Easterly along South right-of-way line of Kitty Lane 220' to West right-of-way line of Hwy 71, thence Northwesterly along West right-of-way line of Hwy 71 60' to Southeasterly Corner of property Geo.# 1814140100001, thence run Southwesterly along South line of said property 220', thence Northwesterly along West line of said property 290.32', thence

Northeasterly along North line of said property 353' to the Center of Hwy 71, thence run Northwesterly along said Center line 4,436' to the POB.

RESOLUTION NO 69 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE AN ANNUAL CERTIFICATION TO THE STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Code of Federal Regulations mandates that all structures defined as bridges located on all public roads shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity, and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards; and

WHEREAS, an inventory of the aforementioned bridges shall be maintained by each state; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility to inspect, rate and loads post these bridges under the authority of the Parish of Caddo in accordance with the above-cited standards is delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to the Parish of Caddo.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development that the Parish will perform the following for the period of 1 October 2021 through 30 September 2022:

1. The Parish will perform interim inspections on all bridges within Caddo Parish, as required.
2. The Parish will load rate non-timber bridges within Caddo Parish, as required.
3. The Parish will load post or close bridges within Caddo Parish, as required.
4. The Parish will verify the inventory data pertaining to all bridges within Caddo Parish, as required.

These stipulations are prerequisites to participation by the Parish in the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

RESOLUTION NO. 70 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION URGING AND REQUESTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITH JURISDICTION IN CADDO PARISH TO ENFORCE LAWS REGARDING TEEN CURFEWS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LA.R.S. 32:416.1 AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, recent events have focused attention on the delinquent acts of teenagers and teenage drivers;

WHEREAS, state and local laws provide curfews for teenagers;

WHEREAS, La.R.S. 32:416.1 prohibits persons under the age of seventeen years of age from operating motor vehicles on public roads between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. unless accompanied by a parent,

tutor, or other person who is twenty-one years of age or older, having custody of the minor; and

WHEREAS, enforcement of that curfew is an appropriate action given the recent delinquent activity by teenagers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby urge and request all law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction in Caddo Parish to strictly enforce all laws regarding teenage curfews, including but not limited to La.R.S. 32:416.1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

OLD BUSINESS

The Commission then move onto the first item under Old Business, *confirm appointments of K.C. Kilpatrick Baird, Jamar "Doc" Myers Montgomery, Jessica Yeates, and Shelia Wimberly to the Juvenile Justice Citizens' Advisory Committee.*

Mr. Burrell said that he submitted McGail Parsons for consideration and wanted to know when it will be on the agenda. The Clerk of the Commission said that it will be on the next in-person meeting. Mr. Johnson wanted to know if those names could be added now as a substitute motion. Attorney Frazier said that they can.

Mr. Johnson wanted to know the qualifications for appointing members to this committee. The Clerk of the Commission said that the person has to provide a resume and live in Caddo Parish.

It was **moved by Mr. Burrell**, seconded by Mr. Epperson, *to confirm K.C. Kilpatrick Baird, Jamar "Doc" Myers Montgomery, Jessica Yeates, and Shelia Wimberly and add McGail Parsons and Candy Beard as appointments to the Juvenile Justice Citizens' Advisory Committee.*

Mr. Chavez wanted to know if he could still send a resume for a candidate. The Clerk of the Commission said that they are still accepting resumes.

At this time, Mr. Burrell's motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Burrell, Cawthorne, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, Taliaferro, and Young (11). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioner Atkins (1). ABSTAIN: None (0).

NEW BUSINESS

It was **moved by Mr. Hopkins**, seconded by Mr. Johnson, *to accept the recommendations of the Alcoholic Beverage Committee for selling to underage persons during its September 7, 2021 meeting:*

Daiquiri Express	Second Offense	\$500 fine	(District 2)
General Store	Second Offense	\$500 fine	(District 11)
Stonewall Beverage Company	Third Offense	\$1,000 fine	(District 11)
Lickskillet Liquor	First Offense	\$250 fine	(District 12)
Lickskillet Liquor	Second Offense	\$250 fine	(District 12)
Lickskillet Liquor	Third Offense	\$1,000 fine	(District 12)

Mr. Hopkins said that the Alcoholic Beverage Committee met and heard testimony from the business owners and Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Epperson wanted to know how these businesses are fined. Mr. Hopkins explained that the Sheriff's Office conducts an underage alcohol operation to see if businesses in Caddo Parish are selling alcohol to minors. During that operation, these businesses sold alcohol to underage confidential informant.

At this time, Mr. Hopkins' motion carried, as shown by the following roll call votes: AYES: Commissioners Cawthorne, Chavez, Epperson, Gage-Watts, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Lazarus, and Taliaferro (10). NAYS: None (0). ABSENT: Commissioners Atkins and Burrell (2). ABSTAIN: None (0).

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- I-49 Welcome Sign Update

Mrs. Bryant said that they received the approvals from the State and are in the process of getting quotes for that project.

COMMUNIQUES/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mr. Epperson presented a Special Proclamation for Gold Star Family Day. He explained that this day is dedicated for family members of fallen military personnel. Mr. Epperson recognized Dakota Huse and Richard Vazquez.

He also thanked Animal Services for handling the stray cats and dogs situation in his district. His constituents appreciate their efforts.

Mr. Epperson also said that Overton Medical Center will begin offering flu shots to all eligible veterans on Saturday, September 25 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Mr. Epperson also talked about the homeless situation in West Caddo/Shreveport. He said that they are harassing customers outside of stores on Pines Road. Something has to be done, he said. Mr. Epperson suggested that all of the entities come together and work together to alleviate this situation.

He also talked about the litter all over the Parish. He said that business signs, political signs, etc. are all over the parish in the right-of-ways. Mr. Epperson said that the enforcement of litter needs to be equal all over Caddo Parish and the City of Shreveport.

- Mr. Jackson said that Parks & Recreation attended a Cherokee Park Neighborhood Association meeting to address the drainage ditch issue. He thanked Parks & Recreation for all of their hard work.

Mr. Jackson also thanked Councilmember Taylor for all of her support in the last few weeks. He also commended the City of Shreveport for removing inoperable cars from apartment complexes and enforcing property standards. We cannot look like we live in a war zone and expect peace, Mr. Jackson said.

- Mr. Chavez announced that Southern Hills will host a neighborhood cleanup this Saturday at 8:00 a.m. He invited all to attend.

- Mr. Hopkins announced that Robert Nance will host a cleanup at 10:00 a.m. this Saturday.

- Mrs. Gage-Watts said that this month is Sickle Cell Awareness Month, and there will be a drive up and drop off radiothon to support Sickle Cell patients in this area. She invited all to "give until it hurts". She asked that the courthouse grounds be lit up red in honor of Sickle Cell Awareness Month.

She also said that there was a meeting today with the Mayor's Office, Clay Walker, Superintendent, etc. to address the recent uptick in crime as well as truancy. She said that the meeting was productive.


PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Johnson agreed with Mrs. Gage-Watts and said that topic of discussion was truancy. He said that this issue belongs to all of the government entities in Caddo Parish, including the financials of the programs. Mr. Johnson said that there will be further meetings to discuss these programs.

Mr. Johnson also pointed out that October 5, 2021 is National Night Out. He encouraged all elected officials to attend those block parties.

There was no further discussion to come before the Commission, so the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.


Michelle Nations
Assistant Commission Clerk


Lyndon B. Johnson
President