

RESOLUTION NO. 24-

The following Resolution was offered by Council Member Schulz who moved its adoption:

1 A Resolution approving the submittal of the Louisiana Development Ready
2 Communities Program (LDRC), A strategic effort of the Louisiana Economic
3 Development to assist all of Louisiana’s Communities to become more competitive
4 in today’s Global Economy. LDRC Program is a community assessment, strategic
5 planning, leadership development, and marketing planning process tool for
6 Plaquemines Parish; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

7 Digest: A resolution of formal adoption of Louisiana Development Ready Communities (LDRC)
8 program of work. The program of work's outcome is an economic development strategic plan.
9 *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual*
10 *ordinance or resolution.*

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12 WHEREAS, the program’s requirement provides for the involvement of individuals from both
13 public and private sectors of the community including; elected and appointed municipal/parish
14 officials, municipal/parish employees, community leaders, and citizens; and

15 WHEREAS, implementation and achievement of the community vision, objectives, and strategies,
16 and measurement of that achievement, are the major goals of the program. LED’s objectives are:
17 1) to provide a comprehensive and straight-forward assessment of community and economic
18 development practices and activities: 2) to provide training, coaching, and external resources to
19 Communities; 3) to establish a repeatable process by the lessons learned, success stories, and
20 testimonials, in this Program; and 4) to ultimately develop more marketable communities and
21 diversified economies through a systematic approach to community and economic development in
22 the State of Louisiana; and

23 WHEREAS this council will receive a status report during the planning process and a presentation
24 of the draft strategic plan developed by our community resulting from the Louisiana Development
25 Ready Communities Program for consideration, feedback, and any further action deemed
26 appropriate at those times; and

27 WHEREAS, this resolution was sponsored for Administration by Council Member Schulz; and

28 WHEREAS, it is recommended by the Administration of Plaquemines Parish Government that the
29 Council does hereby approve the submittal of the Louisiana Development Ready Communities
30 Program (LDRC) Application for the economic development strategic planning; and authorizes
31 the Parish President to sign, execute, and administer all relevant documents;

32 NOW, THEREFORE:

33 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the Plaquemines
34 Parish Council convened in regular session on _____, and hereby approves the
35 submittal of the Louisiana Development Ready Communities Program (LDRC) Application; and
36 authorizes the Parish President to sign, execute, and administer all relevant documents.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT a certified
38 copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State of Louisiana, Division of Louisiana
39 Economic Development.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT the
41 Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this
42 Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this
43 Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.
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1 **A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO**
2 **BE HELD IN THE PARISH OF PLAQUEMINES, STATE OF LOUISIANA,**
3 **TO AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION, LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A**
4 **SPECIAL TAX THEREIN; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE**
5 **BOND COMMISSION AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN**
6 **CONNECTION THEREWITH.**
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8 DIGEST: This Resolution is ordering and calling an election to be held on December 7, 2024 to
9 authorize the continuation of one (1) existing ad valorem tax on all property subject to taxation
10 within the Parish of Plaquemines (the "**Parish**") for the purpose of constructing, operating and
11 maintaining pollution control and abatement facilities in the Parish, upon approval by the qualified
12 voters therein, and if passed, for such taxes to be levied thereafter. *The digest is for information*
13 *purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*
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15 **WHEREAS**, the Plaquemines Parish Council, acting as the governing authority (the
16 "**Governing Authority**") of the Parish of Plaquemines, State of Louisiana (the "**Parish**"), previously
17 submitted to the qualified voters of the Parish a certain property tax proposition; and
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19 **WHEREAS**, the voters of the Parish did approve such property tax proposition; and
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21 **WHEREAS**, the Governing Authority of the Parish now desires the qualified voters of the
22 Parish to authorize the continuation of such property tax proposition.
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24 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Authority of the Parish, that:
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26 **SECTION 1. Election Call.** Subject to the approval of the Louisiana State Bond
27 Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 26 of the Constitution of the
28 State of Louisiana of 1974, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of
29 the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is
30 hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on Saturday, **December 7, 2024** between the hours
31 of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La.

32 R.S. 18:541, and at said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and
33 entitled to vote at said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of
34 the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

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36 **PARISH OF PLAQUEMINES,**
37 **STATE OF LOUISIANA**

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39 **PROPOSITION**
40 **(POLLUTION CONTROL)**

41 Shall the Parish of Plaquemines, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"),
42 continue to levy a special tax of two and thirty-two hundredths (2.32)
43 mills on all the property subject to taxation in the Parish (an estimated
44 \$2,057,329.40 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from
45 the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of fifteen (15)
46 years, beginning with the year 2025 and ending with the year 2039,
47 for the purposes of constructing, operating and maintaining pollution
48 control and abatement facilities in said Parish, said mills to represent
49 a .32 mills increase (due to reassessment) over the 2.00 mills
50 authorized to be levied through 2024 pursuant to an election held on
51 May 2, 2009?
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53 **SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election.** A Notice of Special Election shall be
54 published in *Plaquemines Gazette*, a weekly newspaper of general circulation within the Parish, and
55 being the official journal of the Parish, once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, with the first
56 publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the
57 date fixed for the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit**
58 **"A"** and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.
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60 **SECTION 3. Canvass.** This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place,
61 the Pointe à la Hache Courthouse Council Chambers, 18055 Highway 15, Pointe à la Hache,
62 Louisiana, on **January 23, 2025, at Three O'clock (3:00) p.m.**, and shall then and there in open and
63 public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the said election.
64 The Governing Authority reserves the right to advance or postpone the date and time set forth above
65 for the canvass of the returns (without any further publication of notice of change in date, time
66 and/or location).
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68 **SECTION 4. Polling Places.** The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special
69 Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the
70 Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those
71 designated in accordance with law.

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73 **SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines.** The officers designated to
74 serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such
75 substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall
76 hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the
77 meeting of the Governing Authority to be held as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters
78 in the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines shall be used.

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80 **SECTION 6. Authorization of Officer.** The Council Secretary of the Governing Authority
81 is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers
82 in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other
83 paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Council Secretary of the
84 Governing Authority is further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action
85 required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

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87 **SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials.** Certified copies of this
88 Resolution shall be forwarded to the Louisiana Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio*
89 Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish, and the Registrar of Voters in and for
90 said Parish, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for
91 said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

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93 **SECTION 8. Employment of Counsel.** It is recognized, found and determined that a real
94 necessity exists for the employment of legal counsel in connection with the election; accordingly,
95 Boles Shafto, LLC, located in Monroe, Louisiana, is hereby employed as legal counsel ("**Legal**
96 **Counsel**") to perform comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work with respect to the
97 election. Counsel shall (i) prepare and submit to the Parish for adoption of all the proceedings
98 incidental to the election;(ii) counsel and advise the Parish with respect to the election; and (iii) in

99 the event said election carries, to serve as "Bond Counsel" in connection with the funding of
100 proceeds of the tax Into Bonds. The fee to be paid Legal Counsel shall be an amount equal to the
101 Attorney General's then current Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule and other guidelines for
102 comprehensive, legal and coordinate professional work, together with reimbursement of out-of-
103 pocket expenses incurred and advanced in connection with the election, said fee to be payable by the
104 Parish subject to the Attorney General's written approval of said employment and fee, provided
105 however that such fee shall in no event exceed \$2,500.

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107 **SECTION 9. Additional Notice Requirement.** This Governing Authority made the
108 announcement with respect to the adoption of this resolution required by La. R.S. 42:19.1, at its
109 public meeting on June 13, 2024 and published said announcement in the Official Journal on June
110 13, 2024.

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112 **SECTION 10. Application to State Bond Commission.** Application is made to the
113 Louisiana State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein
114 provided, and in the event that election carries for further consent and authority to dedicate the
115 proceeds of the Tax, and a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Louisiana State
116 Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the
117 prompt consideration and approval of this application.

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127 This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

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135 And the resolution was declared adopted on this the 11th day of July, 2024.

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140 **W. Keith Hinkley, Parish President**

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EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Plaquemines Parish Council, acting as the governing authority (the "**Governing Authority**"), of the Parish of Plaquemines, State of Louisiana, (the "**Parish**") on July 11, 2024, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a special election will be held within the Parish on **Saturday, December 7, 2024**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

**PARISH OF PLAQUEMINES,
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**PROPOSITION
(POLLUTION CONTROL)**

Shall the Parish of Plaquemines, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a special tax of two and thirty-two hundredths (2.32) mills on all the property subject to taxation in the Parish (an estimated \$2,057,329.40 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of fifteen (15) years, beginning with the year 2025 and ending with the year 2039, for the purposes of constructing, operating and maintaining pollution control and abatement facilities in said Parish, said mills to represent a .32 mills increase (due to reassessment) over the 2.00 mills authorized to be levied through 2024 pursuant to an election held on May 2, 2009?

The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the Parish, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m., and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION
PRECINCTS LOCATION REPORT FOR THE PARISH

PRECINCT	POLL PLACE NAME	POLL PLACE LOCATION	CITY
1-1	Braithwaite Auditorium	1253 Hwy 39	Braithwaite
1-2	Phoenix School	12700 Hwy 39	Braithwaite
1-3	Rev. Percy Griffin Comm. Center	15577 Hwy 15	Davant
2-1	Belle Chasse Auditorium	8398 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
3-1	Belle Chasse Auditorium	8398 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
4-1	Belle Chasse Auditorium	8398 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
5-1	Belle Chasse Auditorium	8398 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
5-1A	Belle Chasse Auditorium	8398 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
6-1	Belle Chasse Middle School Gym	13494 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
6-1A	Belle Chasse Middle School Gym	13494 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
6-2	Belle Chasse Middle School Gym	13494 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
7-1	Belle Chasse Middle School Gym	13494 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
7-2	South Plaquemines Elem. School	218 School Rd.	Port Sulpur
8-1	Belle Chasse Middle School Gym	13494 Hwy 23	Belle Chasse
8-2	S. Plaquemines Elem. School	218 School Rd.	Port Sulphur
9-1	S. Plaquemines High School	34121 Hwy 23	Buras
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The polling places set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those designated according to law.

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Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the taxes described in the Proposition shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

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The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitute therefor, as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and **NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, Pointe à la Hache Courthouse Council Chambers, 18055 Highway 15, Pointe à la Hache, Louisiana, on **January 23, 2025 at Three O'clock (3:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the

230 results of the said special election. The Governing Authority reserves the right to advance or
231 postpone the date and time set forth above for the canvass of the returns (without any further
232 publication of notice of change in date, time and/or location). All registered voters of the Parish are
233 entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used thereat. **NOTICE IS**
234 **HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that a portion of the monies collected from the tax described in the
235 Proposition above shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner
236 required by law.

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238 The estimated cost of the election as determined by the Louisiana Secretary of State is
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272 **THUS DONE AND SIGNED**, at Belle Chasse, Louisiana, on this, the 11th day of July,
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278 **W. Keith Hinkley, Parish President**

Kim M. Toups, Council Secretary

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PARISH OF PLAQUEMINES

STATE OF LOUISIANA

I, the undersigned Council Secretary of the Plaquemines Parish Council of the Parish of Plaquemines, State of Louisiana (the "**Parish**"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings taken by the Parish on July 11, 2024 with respect to:

A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE PARISH OF PLAQUEMINES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION, LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A SPECIAL TAX THEREIN; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature of the Parish, on this, the 11th day of July, 2024.

Kim M. Toups, Council Secretary

FIRST AMENDMENT AND RATIFICATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT AND RATIFICATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT (the "Amendment") is executed and effective as of the ____ day of June, 2024, by and between Plaquemines Land Ventures, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Lessee"), and the Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District (the "PPHTD") appearing herein through and represented by Charles Tillotson, Executive Director duly authorized by virtue of Ordinance No. _____.

BACKGROUND

- A. Lessee and the Plaquemines Parish Government (the "PPG"), entered into that certain Lease Agreement dated as of August 23, 2022 for the lease of the second floor, within the structure designated as the "Popich Building" situated in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana consisting of approximately 10,984 square feet of enclosed area which 1,083 square feet are common areas consisting of elevator, lobby, restrooms, electrical, rooms, and stairwells and the remaining 9,901 square feet consisting of office space (the "Lease").
- B. PPG conveyed the Leased Premises to PPHTD via an Act of Cash Sale dated May 24, 2024, and recorded in the Clerk of Court's office for Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.
- C. The parties desire to amend the Lease as set forth below to replace any references to PPG as "Lessor" in the Lease with PPHTD.

AGREEMENT

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree to amend the Lease as follows:

1. Amendments.
 - (a) Any references in the Lease to PPG as "Lessor" shall be deleted and replaced in their entirety by PPHTD which shall be the Lessor for all purposes in the Lease.
 - (b) In Section 4 and Section 14 of the Lease, PPG's name and address shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District
8056 LA-23 3rd floor
Belle Chasse, LA 70037
2. Extent of Amendments and References. Except as expressly amended herein, the Lease shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.
3. Definitions. Terms defined in the Lease shall have the same meaning in this Amendment unless defined herein to the contrary.
4. Governing Law. This Amendment shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana.
5. Ratification. By executing this Amendment, Lessee and PPHTD agree to ratify, assume and be bound by all of the terms and conditions of the Lease, and the parties hereby agree that the Lease remains in full force and effect.
6. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which shall be deemed an original.
7. Assignment. PPG's rights and interests in the Lease shall be and are hereby transferred and assigned to the PPHTD.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessee has executed this Amendment to Lease as of the date set forth below.

LESSEE:

WITNESSES:

PLAQUEMINES LAND VENTURES, LLC a Delaware limited liability company

Print Name: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

Print Name: _____

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the County/Parish of _____ and State of _____, personally came and appeared _____, who, after being sworn by me, did execute this agreement on the _____ day of June, 2024 at _____, State of _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Name: _____

Notary No: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, PPHTD has executed this Amendment to Lease as of the date set forth below.

PPHTD:

WITNESSES:

PLAQUEMINES PORT HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT

Print Name: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

Print Name: _____

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the County/Parish of _____ and State of _____, personally came and appeared _____, who, after being sworn by me, did execute this agreement on the _____ day of June, 2024 at _____, State of _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Name: _____

Notary No: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, PPG has executed this Amendment to Lease as of the date set forth below.

PPG:

WITNESSES:

PLAQUEMINES PARISH GOVERNMENT

Print Name: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

Print Name: _____

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the County/Parish of _____ and State of _____, personally came and appeared _____, who, after being sworn by me, did execute this agreement on the _____ day of June, 2024 at _____, State of _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Name: _____
Notary No: _____
My Commission Expires: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 24-

The following Ordinance was offered by Commissioner Champagne who moved its adoption:

1 An Ordinance authorizing Charles Tillotson, Executive Director of Plaquemines
2 Port, Harbor and Terminal District to purchase land owned by David Roshto; and
3 otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
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5 *DIGEST:* The Port is seeking to purchase a parcel located in the “Piano Keys II” for Port
6 development. The Port is seeking approval to move forward with the purchase of Lot 45, currently
7 owned by David Roshto. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the*
8 *language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*
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10 WHEREAS, through negotiations with Roshto, a recommendation is being made to approve the
11 acquisition of property owned by Roshto, known as one of the “Piano Keys II”; and
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13 WHEREAS, the negotiations between Fisher and the Port recognize a total recommended purchase
14 price of said property for \$252,000 for Lot 45, Pointe Celeste Farms S/D, currently owned by
15 Roshto;
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17 NOW, THEREFORE:

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19 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE
20 GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL
21 DISTRICT THAT:
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25 It hereby authorizes and directs Charles Tillotson, Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port,
26 Harbor and Terminal District, to acquire the land owned by David Roshto, more fully described
27 by the legal description attached hereto as Exhibit “A.”
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31 The acquisition shall be for a purchase price of \$252,000 plus closing cost from the Port Land
32 Fund for the transfer of ownership of the land at Lot 45, Pointe Celeste Farms S/D, currently owned
33 by David Roshto, to the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District.
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SECTION 3

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37 The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release
38 this Ordinance and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of
39 this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

EXHIBIT A

ROSHTO

LOT 45 POINT CELESTE FARMS S/D – 208.95' FRONT ON HWY 23 X 1,580 X 210' X 1,580'. STORAGE CONTAINER, TOTALING 7 ACRES

ORDINANCE NO. 24-

The following Ordinance was offered by Commissioner Champagne who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance authorizing Charles D. Tillotson, Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District, to enter into an agreement with T. Baker Smith, LLC for biological, cultural, and survey assessments of Parcel 1 (Tract DR-2A) located in Plaquemines Parish and to amend the 2024 Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District Operating Expenditure Budget, General Operations Division; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

DIGEST: Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District requires T. Baker Smith, LLC to survey and provide an assessment of Parcel 1 for future development. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*

WHEREAS, T. Baker Smith, LLC will review and map the supplied ownership information to assist with the boundary field survey; and

WHEREAS, T. Baker Smith, LLC will utilize a combination of conventional survey methods and Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) with LiDAR capabilities to determine existing ground elevations along with structures and features within the project boundary; and

WHEREAS, T. Baker Smith, LLC will prepare a wetland delineation report in accordance with the USACE guidelines; and

WHEREAS, T. Baker Smith, LLC will conduct protected species surveys concurrently with the wetland delineation portion of the project. Also, they will identify Threatened and Endangered Species and/or their habitat during the surveys; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the services to be provided is \$159,050.00; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the 2024 Port, Harbor & Terminal District, Operating Expenditure Budget, General Operations Division is requested;

NOW, THEREFORE;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1

Plaquemines Parish Port, Harbor and Terminal District, Executive Director, Charles D. Tillotson is authorized to enter into an agreement with T. Baker Smith, LLC for biological, cultural, and survey assessments of Parcel 1 (Tract DR-2A) located in Plaquemines Parish.

SECTION 2

The 2024 Port, Harbor and Terminal District, Operating Expenditure Budget, General Operations Division, is amended by appropriating \$159,050 from the Port, Harbor & Terminal District unrestricted fund balance as follows:

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SECTION 3

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.