Livingston Parish Master Plan Review Committee 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, 70754 Regular Meeting - June 11, 2024 6:00 pm

Pursuant to notice duly posted in the public lobby of the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, the Livingston Parish Master Plan Review Committee met on June 11, 2024 at the hour of six o'clock (6:00) p.m. in the Parish Council Chambers, located in the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, 20355 Governmental Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana with the following members present:

Jamey Sandefur
Coley Johnson
Zabrina Pitre
Gerald Burns
Merrill Hess
Brian Clemmons
Julie Dyason-Norris
Absent: Steven Smith, Kenny Morrison

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation Julie Dyason-Norris
- III. Pledge of Allegiance Merrill Hess
- IV. Roll Call Sandy Teal (Absent: Steven Smith, Kenny Morrison)
- V. OLD BUSINESS: The chair asked if there was any old business, per Agenda Item 5. No old business.`
- VI. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. <u>UPDATE ROAD PRIORITY LIST</u>: The chair emphasized the Economic Corridor and the response from mayors, state representatives, state senators, parish president, and councilman. Recommendation requests to add items 18 (Widen Buddy Ellis Road to four lanes from John L. Lane to Juban Road), 19 (Widen Highway 16 to Four lanes from Highway 1019 to Oak Hills Subdivision), and 20 (Build New Bridge across Amite River from Hooper Road to Highway 16) to "Exhibit A" (Preliminary Road Priority List for the Economic Corridor).
 - i. Chair explained recommendations can be completed with Parish Road Tax Funds.
 - ii. Ricky Goff agrees with these additions to promote traffic solutions, as well as focusing on setback lines and funding for widening these roads.
 - iii. Chair adjusts Item 18 to widen from 447 to Juban.
 - iv. Zabrina Pitre questions the flow at the intersection near the Denham Springs exit and why it is not on the priority list. Goff explains that specific road tasks on the priority list will relieve the congestion near the Denham Springs exit. He states that DOTD has it on high radar.
 - v. Brian Clemmons brings about a concern regarding Burgess Road, Burgess Avenue at Lockhart, and Walker North at Arnold Road.

- vi. Goff precedes with the importance of the setback lines to prevent issues during construction and the benefits of a roundabout. Goff closes with the positive effectiveness of coordinating with the Master Plan for a smoother traffic flow.
- vii. Chairman initiates a motion to send a resolution to the council to approve the items on "Exhibit A: Preliminary Road Priority List for the Economic Corridor." Items 1-17 have already been sent. Items 18, 19, and 20 are the additional items.
 - 1. Clemmons raises a concern in regards to the Master Plan (Page 61). The Master Plan has a page of the priority list. Questions if the list should be replaced or the resolution would be in addition.
 - 2. Sandefur requests the expectations for the resolution once it is sent to the council.
 - 3. Chairman states that once approved, it would be placed into the Master Plan.
 - 4. Goff interjects with a suggestion. After the Master Plan is updated, it is unsure whether it will remain due to ordinances; however, the resolution should be sent to the council. Once it is approved, the Committee can coordinate with Mr. Jerome Fornier regarding how the changes can be officially implemented with the Master Plan.
 - 5. Clemmons states that a resolution would be less timely than an ordinance.
 - 6. Dyason-Norris suggests not replacing Page 61 of the Master Plan with "Exhibit A."
 - 7. Clemmons makes a motion to "take "Exhibit A" and integrate it into the Master Plan on page 61 as additional items already listed."
 - 8. Merrill Hess seconds the motion.
 - 9. Yeas: Jamey Sandefur

Coley Johnson

Zabrina Pitre

Gerald Burns

Merrill Hess

Brian Clemmons

Julie Dyason-Norris

b. STATE CAPITAL OUTLAY HOUSE BILL 2

- i. Chairman reviews information
- ii. Chairman states a need for a convention center
- c. INTRODUCTION OF BY-LAWS (created by Jamey Sandefur)
 - i. Sandefur explains the recommendations for the by-laws
 - ii. Chairman asks for any concerns or questions and initiates election for the committee officers regarding the by-laws.
 - iii. Committee modifies Article IV: Section 3, "The election of officers shall take place upon adoption of by-laws; thereafter, at the first committee meeting of each year [...]"
 - iv. Dyason-Norris makes a motion for the amendment and acceptance of the by-laws.

- v. Clemmons seconds the motion.
- vi. Yeas: Jamey Sandefur

Coley Johnson

Zabrina Pitre

Gerald Burns

Merrill Hess

Brian Clemmons

Julie Dyason-Norris

- vii. Nominations for Chairman:
 - 1. Jamey Sandefur nominates Brian Clemmons
 - 2. Yeas: Jamey Sandefur

Coley Johnson

Zabrina Pitre

Gerald Burns

Merrill Hess

Brian Clemmons

Julie Dyason-Norris

- viii. Nominations for Co-Chairman
 - 1. Zabrina Pitre nominates self
 - 2. Yeas: Jamey Sandefur

Coley Johnson

Zabrina Pitre

Gerald Burns

Merrill Hess

Brian Clemmons

Julie Dyason-Norris

- ix. Nominations for Secretary
 - 1. Coley Johnson nominates Zabrina Pitre
 - 2. Yeas: Jamey Sandefur

Coley Johnson

Zabrina Pitre

Gerald Burns

Merrill Hess

Brian Clemmons

Julie Dyason-Norris

VII. Chair adjourns meeting