PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MORGAN CITY HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT January 10, 2024

The Board of Commissioners ("Board") of the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District ("District") met in special session at the District's office at 7327 Highway 182, Morgan City, Louisiana on January 10, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. Pete Orlando, President, convened the meeting with Commissioners, Matthew Glover, Matthew Tycer, Deborah Garber, Troy Lombardo and Adam Mayon in attendance. Ben Adams, Joseph Cain and Steven Cornes were absent. Also present in the meeting were Raymond Wade, Executive Director, Tori Henry, Office Manager; Cindy Cutrera, Economic Development Manager, Michael Knobloch, Knobloch Professional Services; Gerard Bourgeois, Board Attorney; Timothy Spence, United States Coast Guard ("USCG"); Jeremy Meaux, Darnall, Sikes, Gardes & Frederick; Robert Karam, T. Baker Smith; Bill Blanchard, GIS Engineering; along with members of the general public.

The meeting was called to order and the presence of a quorum was noted. Raymond Wade led the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Mr. Mayon and seconded by Mr. Glover that the minutes of the regular meeting of December 11, 2023 be approved and adopted, with said motion carrying unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Mayon that the report of receipts and disbursements for the month of December, 2023 be received and accepted and that all invoices presented to the Board for the month of December, 2023 be paid. Mr. Tycer seconded that motion, which carried unanimously.

Jeremy Meaux presented Darnall, Sikes, Gardes & Fredericks' Audit Report to the Board for the year ending June 30, 2023 with an unmodified opinion on the District's financial statements, the highest audit opinion. Also, no exceptions were found during the Statewide Agreed-Upon procedures audit. Mr. Glover moved to accept said report, which was seconded by Mr. Tycer and carried unanimously.

Timothy Spence reported 2,486 total transits in December through the VTS zone, at an average of 80 per day.

Michael Knobloch reported that: (i) we are still unable to draw down funds on the NOAA web portal; (ii) we are still waiting on Congressional approval of the budget for funding to become available for the new EOC ancillary building and equipment; (iii) the FY24 PIDP grant has been announced with the application due on April 30th; and (iv) they will no longer offer the INFRA grant.

Robert Karam presented Sealevel Construction's Payment Application No. 11 in the amount of \$111,572.75 with Mr. Tycer moving for payment, seconded by Mr. Lombardo and carried unanimously. He also reported that: (i) West dock NEEPA has been under technical review since December 21, 2023; and (ii) East dock substantial completion inspection will be next week, along with a call with Sealevel on the transition plate.

Cindy Cutrera reported that: (i) we will be hosting a Stakeholder meeting on January 24th at 1:30; (ii) MARAD, Red River Valley Association and M-49 Ports will facilitate a roundtable at the RRVA conference on February 21st & 22nd; and (iii) CPRA is hosting a public meeting in Houma on January 16th to receive comments on the FY25 annual plan.

With there being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Mayon moved and seconded by Mr. Tycer the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Steven W. Cornes, Secretary