MINUTES OF THE INTERIM EMERGENCY BOARD October 30, 2012

A public meeting of the Interim Emergency Board was held in House Committee Room 3 of the State Capitol on Tuesday, October 30, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. All members of the Board had received the required prior notification.

ITEM NO.1;

The Honorable John A. Alario, Jr., Chairman, called the meeting to order, and the Secretary called the roll to ensure a quorum.

Present:

The Honorable John A. Alario, Jr., Senate President and Chairman The Honorable Chuck Kleckley, House Speaker and Vice Chairman Mr. Paul Rainwater, Proxy for the Governor's Designee The Honorable Jay Dardenne, Lieutenant Governor Mr. Ron Henson, State Treasurer's Designee The Honorable Daniel Claitor, Senate Finance Committee Chairman's Proxy The Honorable James R. Fannin, House Appropriations Committee Chairman

Staff Present:

Ms. Cynthia B. Duhon, Board Secretary Ms. Danielle Babineaux Baker, Board Intern Mr. John Davis, Director of Facility Planning and Control Mr. John Carpenter, Legislative Fiscal Officer Mr. Danny Leming, House Assistant Chief Sergeant-at-Arms Mr. Louis Carral, Senate Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms

ITEM NO. 2:

At the February 12, 2012, meeting, the board approved three funding requests totaling \$2,960,825, five scope changes to projects in Act 22 of 2011 and Act 24 of 2003 and one priority change in Act 22 of 2011. The required legislative ratification was given to all Board action. Mr. Fannin moved for approval of the minutes, as printed and distributed, of the February 12, 2012, meeting, and that the results of the legislative balloting be officially recognized. The motion was seconded by Senator Claitor and adopted unanimously.

ITEM NO. 3:

Ms. Duhon said that the Department of the Treasury, in a letter dated October 1, 2012, notified the board that it can appropriate up to \$21,770,940 in Fiscal Year 2012-13. As of today, that amount has been reduced by the board's operating budget of \$40,030 and

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leaves a balance of \$21,730,910 available for funding.

She said that the City of Carencro has withdrawn its two applications which were Items 7 and 8 on today's agenda. That action means the board has for consideration three funding requests totaling \$2,128,163 and four scope changes to the current capital outlay bill (Act 23 of 2012).

ITEM NO. 4:

The University of Louisiana at Monroe submitted a request for \$1,500,000 for the correction of deteriorated HVAC piping in George T. Walker Hall. Mr. Davis recommended that the request be funded at the reduced level of \$350,000. This would fund the replacement of the under slab piping system only and exclude the system enhancements including all materials and labor associated with the replacement of the fan coil units. The funding for the fan coil units should be funded by the Office of Risk Management claim filed in connection with the fire that occurred on June 12, 2012. Mr. Carpenter said that the reducing the amount of IEB funding to \$350,000 plus the ORM claim money would be sufficient to make the requested repairs. The motion to approve \$350,000 to the Office of Facility Planning and Control for oversight and management of this University of Louisiana at Monroe project was made by Mr. Fannin, seconded by Mr. Kleckley and passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 5:

Northwestern State University in Natchitoches submitted a request for \$396,684 to replace the roof and repair affected masonry walls on all four floors in the Nursing Education building in Shreveport. Both Mr. Davis and Mr. Carpenter recommended approval of the university's request, which will eliminate the water intrusion problem and allow Northwestern to begin assessing future renovation needs and seek the funding through the capital outlay process. Mr. Kleckley moved that the \$396,684 funding request for Northwestern State University be appropriated to the Office of Facility Planning and Control for oversight and management of the project. His motion was seconded by Senator Claitor and was adopted unanimously.

ITEM NO. 6:

The Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government submitted a request for \$231,479 to match its \$100,000 in local funds to address severe flooding of over 65 houses and businesses in the Broadmoor and Lisa Park areas of Houma on July 20 and August 18 by installing two additional culvert crossings under a road to drain off flood waters into a reservoir. Mr. Davis said his office recommended disapproval because the project does not address repairs or improvements necessitated by the recent flooding and seeks to prevent future flooding. Mr. Carpenter concurred that the project appears to be a hazard

mitigation project and recommended disapproval of the request. Both gentlemen recommended that funding should be pursued through the capital outlay process. Mr. Rainwater suggested that the parish government submit a mitigation application for funding through the storm hazard mitigation funds in the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness. He said funds are available for drains and culverts, and the grant could be obtained quickly instead of having to wait for the next capital outlay bill. Since this suggestion was agreeable to the parish officials present, the motion to defer the request from the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government was made by Mr. Rainwater. His motion was adopted without opposition after it was seconded by Senator Claitor.

ITEM NO. 7:

This item was withdrawn by the City of Carencro.

ITEM NO. 8:

This item was withdrawn by the City of Carencro.

ITEM NO. 9:

The Department of Transportation and Development has requested that the scope of the description of its project (07/270-1952 on page 99 in Act 23 of 2012) in the amount of \$1 million from Priority 1 and \$11 million from Priority 5 general obligation bonds for phase 2 planning and construction of the Essen Lane I-12 Interchange in East Baton Rouge Parish be adjusted according to the provisions of Act 766 of 2001 to revise the project description from "construction of interchange between Essen Lane and I-12W" to "the widening of Essen Lane between I-10 and Perkins Road." Mr. Davis said that due to changed site conditions and the heavy traffic volume because of Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center and its major expansion of their facility, the widening will be necessary to handle the increased traffic between I-10 and Perkins Road. Senator Claitor moved that the scope change be approved. The motion was seconded by Governor Dardenne and passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 10:

The City of Kaplan requested that the scope of the description of its project (50/ME8-319 on page 101 [FPC No. 50-ME8-08B-01] of Act 23 of 2012) in the amount of \$150,000 from Priority 1 and \$150,000 from Priority 2 general obligation bonds for the planning and construction of the Public Safety Complex be adjusted according to the provisions of Act 766 of 2001 to revise the project description from "construction of a new facility" to

"renovation of an existing former school building into a city courthouse" to house the City Court and the City Marshal's Office. According to Mr. Davis, local officials decided it would be more feasible because of budget constraints to renovate an existing building. This change would remove the reference to a new facility and replace it with the renovation of an existing building. The motion to approve the scope change was made by Mr. Fannin and passed unanimously after it was seconded by Mr. Henson.

ITEM NO. 11:

The National World War II Museum that the scope of the description of its project (50/N74-1773 on page 127 [FPC No. 50-N74-12-01] of Act 23 of 2012) in the amount of \$750,000 from Priority 2 and \$16.250 million from Priority 5 general obligation bonds for the construction of the Campaigns Gallery Exhibits and the planning and construction of the LA Memorial Pavilion Train Station Experience including connection the Higgins Pedestrian Bridge and Canopy planning and construction be adjusted according to the provisions of Act 766 of 2001 to revise the title of the project to "Capital Expansion Project, including Parking Structure, SkyBridge, Andrew Higgins Plaza, Train Station Experience and Canopy, Planning and Construction" without increasing the state's cost of the project and providing the needed parking and Higgins Plaza. Mr. Davis said the addition of the parking structure is needed as a means of supporting daily visitor parking as well as special event parking and will be done without increasing the state's cost. Mr. Henson moved and Governor Dardenne seconded that the scope change be approved. The motion was adopted without opposition.

ITEM NO. 12:

The McKinley Alumni Association that the scope of the description of its project (50/NB3-517 on page 128 [FPC No. 50-NB3-08B-01] of Act 23 of 2012) in the amount of \$155,000 from Priority 1 general obligation bonds for the acquisition of property and improvements be adjusted according to the provisions of Act 766 of 2001 to revise the description to "Equipment and Renovations, Planning and Construction" without increasing the state's cost of the project. Mr. Davis said that instead of purchasing property next to the existing facility, the funds would be used to repair and replace existing equipment. The motion to approve the scope change was adopted unanimously after it was made by Senator Claitor and seconded by Governor Dardenne.

Ms. Duhon announced that the Board had approved 2 funding requests totaling \$746,684 and scope changes to four projects in Act 23 of 2012.

The Chairman said he wanted to recognize the 31 years that Ms. Duhon has graciously done the work of the Interim Emergency while also ably managing the Acadiana Legislative Delegation Office for 21 of those years. He said that she was probably ready to go enjoy life and get away from politics and politicians. Senator Alario expressed to her the

appreciation of the state and its people for her dedicated service.

There being no further business to conduct, Mr. Claitor moved that the meeting be adjourned by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia B. Duhon

Board Secretary

Attachments: Funding fiscal analysis (9 pages) Capital Outlay documentation (8 pages)