

**RESOLUTION NO. JR-015-2023**

**A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL AND THE LAFAYETTE PARISH COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE ACADIANA CRIMINALISTICS LABORATORY DISTRICT CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP A NEW ACADIANA CRIMINALISTICS LABORATORY; COMMITTING TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,605,445 SHOULD SAID CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST BE FUNDED BY THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS BE REQUIRED; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council, that:

**WHEREAS**, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana operating the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory for the purpose of crime detection, prevention, investigation and other related criminal investigative services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District boundaries include the parishes of Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary and Vermilion; and

**WHEREAS**, the current Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory facility is in need of repairs, expansion and upgrading to meet the increased demand for its services by the law enforcement, prosecutorial, and judicial community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District has submitted a Capital Outlay Request to the State of Louisiana for funding to plan, construct and equip a much-needed new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory, including office, evidence storage and laboratory space; and

**WHEREAS**, the new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory will be built on an approximately three (3) acre tract of land owned by the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District located adjacent to or near the current Crime Lab facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory Project is extremely important to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Acadiana Region; and

**WHEREAS**, most Capital Outlay Requests require some level of local matching funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council wish to express their full and complete support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request and their commitment to provide their pro-rata share of any required matching funds should the Request be funded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council, that:

**SECTION 1:** All the aforescribed "Whereas" clauses are adopted as part of this resolution.

**SECTION 2:** The Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council hereby express their full and complete support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request to the State of Louisiana for funding to plan, construct and equip a new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory to be located on land owned by the District located adjacent to or near the current Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory facility.

**SECTION 3:** The Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council also commit to cooperate with the Administrative Branch to use their best efforts to provide funding of up to \$1,605,445 should the Capital Outlay Request made by the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District be funded by the State of Louisiana and local matching funds required.

**SECTION 4:** This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council.

**SECTION 5:** All resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote on behalf of the Lafayette City Council thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Lewis, A. Naquin, Hebert, Cook, Lazard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote on behalf of the Lafayette Parish Council thereon was as follows:

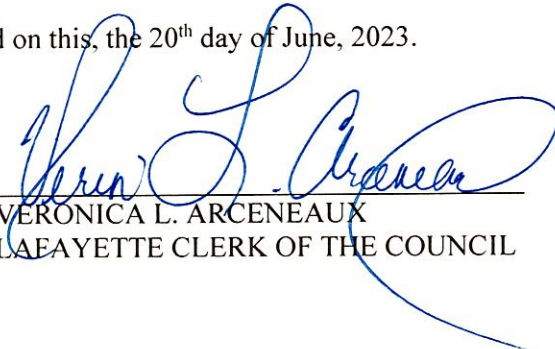
YEAS: Carlson, Guilbeau, Rubin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Tabor, K. Naquin

ABSTAIN: None

AND the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

  
VERONICA L. ARCENEUX  
LAFAYETTE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL



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## Internal Memorandum

Legal Department (1400)

TO: Cydra Wingerter, CAO

DATE: June 5, 2023

FROM: Gregory J. Logan

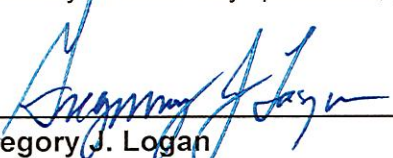
**SUBJECT:** A Resolution of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council in Support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request for Funds to Construct and Equip a New Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory, Committing to Provide Matching Funds in an Amount not to Exceed \$1,605,445.00 Should Said Capital Outlay Request be Funded by the State of Louisiana and Local Matching Funds be Required; Providing for the Effective Date Thereof; and Otherwise Providing with Respect Thereto.

I attach the following, and request placement of same on the agenda at the June 20, 2023 Council Meeting:

- (a) A Resolution of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council in Support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request for Funds to Construct and Equip a New Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory, Committing to Provide Matching Funds in an Amount not to Exceed \$1,605,445.00 Should Said Capital Outlay Request be Funded by the State of Louisiana and Local Matching Funds be Required; Providing for the Effective Date Thereof; and Otherwise Providing with Respect Thereto; and
- (b) Agenda Item Submittal Form.

If you concur, please place this item on the next Joint Council agenda.

Should you have any questions, please contact our office.



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Gregory J. Logan  
City-Parish Attorney

Attachments

LAFAYETTE JOINT COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL FORM

1) **JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:** A resolution of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council in Support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request for Funds to Construct and Equip a New Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory, Committing to Provide Matching Funds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,605,445.00 Should Said Capital Outlay Request be Funded by the State of Louisiana and Local Matching Funds be Required; Providing for the Effective Date Thereof; and Otherwise Providing with Respect Thereto.

2) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Adoption of Resolution

3) **COUNCIL DISTRICT(S) (if applicable):** N/A

4) **REQUESTED ACTION OF COUNCIL:**

A) **INTRODUCTION:** June 20, 2023

B) **FINAL ADOPTION:** June 20, 2023

5) **DOCUMENTATION INCLUDED WITH THIS REQUEST:**

A) Cover Memo (1 page)

B) Resolution (<sup>3</sup> pages)

6) **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Fiscal Impact

No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDED BY:

  
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GREGORY J. LOGAN  
CITY-PARISH ATTORNEY

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

  
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CYDRA WINGERTER  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER