

# AUDUBON COMMISSION MEETING

July 14, 2020

10:00 AM

Video Conference

## Agenda

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| I.   | Call to order       | Mr. Duncan    |
| II.  | Approval of Minutes | Mr. Duncan    |
| III. | Public Comment      |               |
| IV.  | Finance Report      | Ms. Conkerton |
- Motion re: 2019 Audited Financial Statements

The audited financial statements dated December 31, 2019 and 2018 were reviewed and accepted by the Executive/Finance/Audit committees on June 24, 2020. The committees recommend the full Commission approve the statements as presented. They were emailed to all members of the Commission prior to the meeting. A motion is needed to approve the Commission's 2019 Audited Financial Statements.

- Motion re: Millage Collection Ms. Conkerton

WHEREAS, beginning in 2021, the City of New Orleans (the "City") will begin to levy a separate ad valorem tax of 6.31 mills (the "2021 Tax") pursuant to the following proposition approved by a majority of the electorate voting at a special election held in the City on May 4, 2019:

In lieu of 3.00 mills currently levied for Parkway and Parks Commission and New Orleans Recreation Department and 0.32 mills and 2.99 mills levied for Audubon Commission ("Prior Taxes"), shall the City be authorized to levy a special tax of 6.31 mills ("Tax") for twenty years, January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2040 (estimated at \$22,150,000 in the first year) with proceeds dedicated first to payment of debt service obligations secured by the Prior Taxes then to improving park safety and accessibility, capturing stormwater to reduce flooding, repairing and upgrading playgrounds and recreation centers, conserving natural areas, and constructing, improving, maintaining, and operating parks, recreational, and wildlife conservation facilities in the City, except that a portion of collections shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems as required by law, allocated pro-rata as follows: 1.95 mills to New Orleans Recreation Development Commission; 1.80 mills to New Orleans Department of Parks and Parkways; 0.61 mills to City Park Improvement Association; and 1.95 mills to Audubon Commission, supplemental to and not in lieu of City general fund appropriations budgeted for 2020, subject to requirements provided by Ordinance Calendar Number 32,501 and with expenditures subject to public disclosure through annual audit; and

WHEREAS, the Audubon Commission intends to for the millage to be levied at its authorized rate;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage is hereby levied on the 2021 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the City:

Audubon Commission 1.95 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the City and the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby requested, empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2021, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

V. President's Report

- Public Affairs Update
- Facilities Update

Mr. Forman  
Ms. Dietz  
Dr. Burks

Old Business  
New Business

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