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RESOLUTION NO. 25-049

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ORLEANS

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD TASK ORDER TO MANNING, APC TO COMPLETE AN
ALL STATIONS ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAM FOR THE ST. CHARLES STREETCAR**

Introduced by Commissioner Colin, seconded by Commissioner
Walton.

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Streetcar is the oldest continuously operated urban railway in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the RTA made certain accessibility improvements to the vehicles and stops serving the St. Charles Streetcar; and

WHEREAS, further accessibility improvements to the St. Charles Streetcar are needed to fulfill the goals of the RTA's adopted Strategic Mobility Plan and to fulfill the RTA's legal obligations under the 2017 Falls vs. RTA and City of New Orleans agreement and the 2025 O.E. vs. New Orleans Regional Transit Authority agreement; and

WHEREAS, the RTA secured funding in 2024 from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for an All Stations Accessibility Program (ASAP) to make 46 of the stop pairs along the St. Charles Streetcar compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act; and



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WHEREAS, a pool of on-call Architectural and Engineering vendors was created through RFQ# 2020-035 and 10 vendor teams were selected to provide a range of technical, planning, and design services through a task order process; and

WHEREAS through the task order selection process, staff issued a Request for Technical Proposal (RTP) #2025-03 for the design of the ASAP improvements to the St. Charles Streetcar and selected the proposal from Manning, APC for said services; and

WHEREAS, the project will be funded by the FTA ASAP grant and with local RTA funds as part of the FY 2025 Capital Budget and 2025-29 Capital Investment Program, in an amount is not-to-exceed \$1.3 million from budget code 01-0000-00-1501-000-00-00-00000-00000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the RTA Board of Commissioners authorizes its, designee, to award Manning, APC a task order in an amount not to exceed \$1.3 million to complete the design of an All Stations Accessibility Program for the St. Charles Streetcar.



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THE FOREGOING WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE
ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:	<u>6</u>
NAYS:	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>
ABSENT:	<u>1</u>

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE 26th DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fred A. Neal", written over a horizontal line.

FRED NEAL, JR.
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS