

PUBLIC NOTICE

ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT *PUBLIC HEARING*

THE ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT IT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16th, 2023**, AT OLD CITY MARKET LOCATED AT 131 W. BELLEVUE STREET, OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA.

THE HEARING IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING ANY AND ALL OBJECTIONS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOLLOWING:

5:00 p.m.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-014
(Sponsored by: Councilman Harold Taylor)**

**AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE ST. LANDRY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION
IN CHAPTER 32, PLANNING, ZONING, AND DEVELOPMENT, ARTICLES I, ST. LANDRY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION, SECTION 32 – 1, SECTION 32 – 2, SECTION 32 – 3, SECTION 32 – 4, SECTION 32 – 5, AND SECTION 32 – 6, TO BE PLACED IN CHAPTER 32 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES.**

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Government will create a planning commission to regulate, oversee, and facilitate planning, zoning, and development in St. Landry Parish.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT the St. Landry Parish Planning Commission is hereby created in Chapter 32 – Planning, Zoning, and Development, in the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances, with the enactment of Article I – St. Landry Parish Planning Commission, Section 32-1, Section 32-2, Section 32-3, Section 32-4, Section 32-5, and Section 32-6, which shall read in the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances as follows:

ARTICLE I. – ST. LANDRY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION

Sec. 32-1. - Created.

There is hereby created the St. Landry Parish Planning Commission, herein referred to as “the Commission.”

Sec. 32-2. - Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective ten days after its passage, approval, and publication in accordance with the laws governing St. Landry Parish. The provisions and requirements outlined

within this ordinance shall be enforceable as of the effective date, establishing the Commission in St. Landry Parish.

Sec. 32-3. - Members.

- (a) The Commission shall consist of five (5) members approved by the Parish Council, who may remove any member of the commission, after public hearing, for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office.
- (b) Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation, shall be qualified as set forth herein, and shall hold no public elected office. Members of the Commission shall be qualified electors required to reside within St. Landry Parish.
- (c) The members of the Commission first appointed shall hold office for staggered terms in accordance with the Commission's bylaws, respectively; their successors shall be appointed for a term of five (5) years from and after expiration of the term of their predecessors in office. If a vacancy occurs otherwise than by expiration of term, it shall be filled by approval of the Parish Council for the unexpired term.
- (d) St. Landry Economic Development (SLED) shall make a recommendation for the selection of one of the five members of the Commission.

Sec. 32-4. - Powers and Duties of the St. Landry Parish Planning Commission.

The Commission, as hereby created, shall have and exercise all of the powers and duties as provided for in R.S. 33:101 through 33:120, as now or hereafter amended, and any other authority, which may be contained in the constitution and laws of the state relating to the work of parish planning commissions. The decision of the Commission shall be final, subject to appeal to the appropriate court.

Sec. 32-5. - Organization, Meetings, and Procedures

- (a) The St. Landry Parish Government shall call the first meeting of the Commission within 30 days of the approval of a majority of the members of the Parish Council. The first meeting of the Commission will be to establish organizational, administrative procedures, and a regular meeting schedule.
- (b) The Commission shall elect a chairperson from among its own membership, create, and fill each other of its offices as it may determine.
- (c) The Commission shall meet at least once per month.
- (d) The Commission shall adopt rules for transaction of business and shall keep a public record of its resolutions, transactions, findings and determinations.
- (e) The St. Landry Parish Government staff shall serve as the staff of the Commission, providing administrative, technical, and operational support to ensure the effective functioning of the Commission in accordance with its duties and responsibilities.

Sec. 36-6. - Minimum Qualifications

- (a) The Commission members shall have minimum qualifications to serve as members of the Commission. Qualifications shall include a minimum of 3 years of professional experience in

any of the following fields: planning, architecture, engineering, real estate, economic or community development, or other professions related to land development.

- (b) In accordance with the minimum qualifications outlined in this section, individuals applying to serve as members of the Commission shall be required to submit an application utilizing St. Landry Parish Government's application form and a comprehensive curriculum vitae (CV) or resume, providing a detailed account of their relevant experience, qualifications, and background.
- (c) The St. Landry Parish President is hereby authorized to verify the minimum qualifications of applicants prior to nomination to the St. Landry Parish Council.

Sec. 32-7 – 32-18. Reserved.

5:15 p.m.

ORDINANCE No. 2023-015
(Sponsored by Councilman Harold Taylor)

An Ordinance to permanently close and abandon a portion of the WPA Road also known as Williamson Spur Road and Relinquish all claims by the St. Landry Parish Government of the listed portions of rights of way as being public rights of way and further that said Ordinance be recorded in the office of Clerk of Court in St. Landry Parish.

WHEREAS, as per Notice of Intention, duly published, it is the intention of the St. Landry Parish Council to permanently close, abandon and quit claim a portion of the WPA Road (aka) Williamson Spur Road located at the Westernmost point of the concrete apron or guardrail on the West side of the Williamson Spur Road bridge traversing Swayze Lake and extending in a Northeasterly direction through the North East Quadrant of Section T5S/R6E Sec. 11, thence North East through T5S/R6E Section. 4, thence through the North West Quadrant of T5S/R7E Section 4 to the termination of the Williamson Spur Road near Half Moon Bayou for a total of 1.93 miles from the point of beginning, the westernmost point of the Williamson Spur Bridge to a point ending at the termination of the Williamson Spur Road, and

WHEREAS, herein attached are sworn statements from each of the partitioners who are requesting abandon of said road, all of whom declared that they are the sole and only owners of various tracts of land situated on both sides of Williamson Spur Road in St. Landry Parish, LA of that portion described above, and

WHEREAS, no public comments or protests were received or recorded at a Public Hearing held on August 16, 2023, now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED That the St. Landry Parish Council does here by permanently close and abandon and quit claim, thus relinquishing any and all claims by the Parish Council of the above listed portions of rights of way and being public rights of way and further that said Ordinance No. 2023-015 be recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court.

5:30 p.m.

ORDINANCE No. 2023-016
(Sponsored by Councilwoman Mildred Thierry)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE SECTION 36-132 WHICH IS IN ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 36 OF THE ST. LANDRY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES.

Whereas, LA R.S. 32:41 (13) grants the parish governing authorities the authority to direct the installation of speed bumps in their parish;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT Section 36-132 in Article VI of Chapter 36 of the St. Landry Parish Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and shall now read as follows:

SEC. 36-132. - HOUSEHOLD SURVEY FOR INSTALLATION OF SPEED BUMPS.

Upon request of the parish government to install speed bumps on a specific parish roadway, a survey will be conducted by parish officials, or a member of the parish council, going to the household of each voter registered with the registrar of voters on that specific roadway, or by mailing such survey to each household voter registered with the registrar of voters on that specific parish roadway. The survey shall request that each household voter state if they are "for" or "against" the installation of the speed bumps on that specific roadway. If the survey is mailed, the survey is to be returned to the council clerk of the parish government in the provided self-addressed stamped envelope within ten days upon receipt. If the surveys were mailed, after 15 days have lapsed from the time the surveys were forwarded to the households, the clerk will tally the returned surveys. The clerk will refer the installation of the speed bumps to the public works director for a feasibility study in accordance with section 36-133 only if 75 percent of the households surveyed are in favor of installing the speed bumps.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT this ordinance shall become effective on the date of the full council meeting that this ordinance is passed.

5:45 p.m.

ORDINANCE No. 2023-017
(Sponsored by Councilman Alvin Stelly)

An Ordinance to Amend St. Landry Parish Ordinance Chapter 44, Section 44-14 so that Oscar Rivette Road will be removed on the list of roads in St. Landry Parish that are designated at "No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic" routes.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ST. LANDRY PARISH ORDINANCE CHAPTER 44, SECTION 44-14 so that Oscar Rivette Road will be removed from the list of roads in St. Landry Parish that are designated as "No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic" routes.

WHEREAS, St. Landry Parish Ordinance Chapter 44, Section 44-14 lists the roads in St. Landry Parish that are designated as “No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic“ routes.

WHEREAS, this Ordinance amends St. Landry Parish Ordinance Chapter 44, Section 44-14 so that Oscar Rivette Road will be removed on the list of roads that are designated as “No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic“ routes.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT that

Chapter 44, Section 44-14 is hereby amended as follows:

The following roads are hereby restricted and designated as “No Truck or 18-Wheeler Thru Traffic” routes:

Andrepoint Road (Parish Road 6-10	1
Beck Miller Road (Parish Road 6-340	2
Beck Miller Road (Parish Road 6-340-1	3
Begnaud Road	4
Belmont Road	5
Country Ridge	6
Darjean Road	7
Dresser Loop	8
Federal Road (Council District No. 1	9
Fisher Road (Parish Road 4-110	10
Fort Hamilton Drive (Parish Road 1-319	11
Frank Road	12
Frilot Cove Road	13
Gordon Street (Parish Road 6-45)	14
Government Road (Council District No. 3)	15
Greg Drive	16
Harmon Lane in Opelousas	17
Hidalgo Road (Council District No. 3)	18
Highway 1244	19
Iseringhausen Road	20
Jacob Road (Parish Road 6-345	21
Jeff Thibodeaux (Parish Road 6-345)	22
Judson Walsh	23
Lawyer Road	24
Littell Street (Parish Road 6-40)	25
McClelland Road (Parish Road 6-35	26
National Road (Council District No. 3	27
North 6 th Street between Hwy 190 and Hwy 104	28
Perry Drive (Parish Road 6-40-1	29
Plantation Road	30

Rainbow Drive	31
Rolling Oaks Drive (Parish Road 1-397)	32
Sir Thomas Henry Drive	33
Smith Lane (Parish Road 5-30)	34
Soileau Road (Parish Road 6-275)	35
Soileau Road from Hwy 13 to Hwy 757	36
Thibodeaux Street (Parish Road 6-35-2)	37
West Loop and Hwy 190 West Intersection	38

BY ORDER OF ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL
/s/ Jerry Red Jr., Chairman

Sherell Jordan, Council Clerk
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