

STATE OF LOUISIANA

ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-001

AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THE PAYMENT IN FULL OF ANY AND ALL ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT LIENS ON ADJUDICATED PROPERTY WHEN THE TAX DEBTOR MAKES PAYMENT TO THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REDEEM THEIR PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Code Sections 2-289, 2-290, and 2-291 provide for the redemption of adjudicated properties.

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute Section 47:2243 provides, "Redemptions shall be made through the tax collector of the appropriate political subdivision.... Payment shall include all statutory impositions accruing before the date of payment with five percent penalty and simple interest accruing at one percent per month, as well as all other sums required to be paid pursuant to this Subpart;"

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute Section 47:2244 provides, "Payment also shall include the actual costs incurred by the political subdivision for preparation and filing of redemption certificates, the cost of mail, notice, publication of notice, personal service of notice, appraisal, and costs associated with the determination of tax sale parties and their notification. However, the actual cost of preparation and filing of redemption certificates shall not exceed two hundred dollars. The political subdivision may also require the payment of all amounts accrued under other governmental liens as of the date of payment;"

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Government has incurred and continues to incur costs related to adjudicated properties, for which governmental liens are filed and recorded on the property;

WHEREAS, St. Landry Parish properties have been redeemed, and redemption certificates have been issued, without amounts being paid to satisfy the recorded governmental liens; and,

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish Government wishes to ensure and mandate that adjudicated properties in St. Landry Parish can only be redeemed, and redemption certificates can only be issued, after St. Landry Parish Government certifies that a sufficient amount has been paid to satisfy its governmental liens.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT THAT the following Ordinance mandates and requires that adjudicated properties in St. Landry Parish only be redeemed, and redemption certificates only be issued, after the St. Landry Parish Government certifies that a sufficient amount has been paid to satisfy any governmental liens the St. Landry Parish Government has filed and recorded on the property.

- 1. In accordance with La. R.S. 47:2244, before any adjudicated property may be redeemed or a redemption certificate be issued, the St. Landry Parish Government requires the payment and satisfaction of all amounts accrued under liens filed by the St. Landry Parish Government on the adjudicated property.**
- 2. The Tax Collector for St. Landry Parish shall not redeem any adjudicated property and shall not issue any redemption certificate unless a St. Landry Parish Government Lien Satisfaction Certificate is submitted with the payment of redemption costs.**
- 3. The St. Landry Parish Government Lien Satisfaction Certificate must identify the adjudicated property being redeemed, and must have a date of issuance within fourteen (14) days of redemption of the adjudicated property.**
- 4. Payment for the St. Landry Parish Government Lien Satisfaction Certificate shall include the costs incurred by the St. Landry Parish Government preparing, filing, and cancelling the lien, as well as an administrative cost of no more than one hundred dollars.**
- 5. The St. Landry Parish Government Lien Satisfaction Certificate shall certify only that liens of the St. Landry Parish Government have been satisfied, and shall not be used as a certification that liens filed by any other individual or entity have been satisfied, or that the property is free and clear of liens.**

This Ordinance having been introduced on the 15th day of January, 2025, notice of Public Hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, the title having been read, and the Ordinance considered, a record vote was taken and the following results were had:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

CERTIFICATE

I, **SHERELL JORDAN**, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Clerk for the St. Landry Parish Government, State of Louisiana, and I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Council of the St. Landry Parish Government at a monthly meeting held on **the 19th** day of February 2025, in which a meeting quorum was present.

**SHERELL JORDAN, COUNCIL CLERK
ST. LANDRY PARISH GOVERNMENT**

**JODY WHITE, CHAIRMAN
ST. LANDRY PARISH COUNCIL**