#### IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING, TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024 PROPOSED ORDINANCES

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, held a Public Hearing in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. pursuant to a Notice of Public Hearing published on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024 in the Advocate and posted on the Iberville Parish website.

The Council Chairman, Matthew H. Jewell, called the hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Shalanda L. Allen, District 1; Chasity B. Easley; District 2; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Freddie Frazier, Sr., District 4; Steve C. Smith, District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Nadia Jenkins, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Charles Dardenne, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: None.

Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, and Chief Operating Officer- Randall Dunn were also in attendance.

Mr. Dunn read the following ordinances in entirety.

# ORDINANCE 1ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE II, SECTION 2-01(E) (PARISH<br/>COUNCIL) AND ARTICLE III, SECTION 3-02(B) (EXECUTIVE<br/>BRANCH) OF THE IBERVILLE PARISH HOME RULE CHARTER<br/>FOR PURPOSES OF ENACTING TERM LIMITS FOR MEMBERS OF<br/>THE PARISH COUNCIL AND FOR THE PARISH PRESIDENT

The floor was opened to comments and questions. There was no opposition to this ordinance from the public.

There being no further business to be conducted, the hearing was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

/s/ MACY W. OURSO COUNCIL CLERK /s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

# IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024

The Parish Council of Iberville Parish, State of Louisiana, met in Regular Session, in the Council Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

The Council Chairman, Matthew H. Jewell, called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m. followed by the roll call with the following Council Members in attendance: Shalanda L. Allen, District 1; Chasity B. Easley; District 2; Thomas E. Dominique, Sr., District 3; Freddie Frazier, Sr., District 4; Steve C. Smith, District 5; Raheem T. Pierce, District 6; Nadia Jenkins, District 7; Hunter S. Markins, District 8; Terry J. Bradford, District 9; Chasity Martinez, District 10; Charles Dardenne, District 11; Matthew H. Jewell, District 12; Bart B. Morgan, District 13.

Absent: None.

Parish President- Chris Daigle, Chief Administrative Officer- Dwayne Boudreaux, Chief Operations Officer- Randall Dunn were also in attendance.

A quorum was present and due notice had been posted and published in the Advocate newspaper on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Council Chairman Jewell called for anyone wanting to make public comments to register with the Clerk. Mary Hotard, Martha Tillman, and Charlotte Tillman requested to speak.

#### ADDENDUM

None.

# PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

- A) Proclamation Nolan 'Country' Ruiz Day
  - Mr. Nolan 'Country' Ruiz could not be in attendance tonight. President Daigle read the proclamation aloud. He will present the proclamation to him privately.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Pierce, it was moved to wave the reading of the minutes of April 16, 2024 and approve as written. The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Daigle reported on the following:

- He stated that last week the Parish was hit by severe weather and straight-line winds. He acknowledged the department of Public Works on all their hard work and late hours. He stated that today the Governor declared it a state of Emergency, which will allow the Parish to be reimbursed for all their efforts to assist the community and allow other efforts to come in and help the community.
- He stated that the community meetings were a huge success. He received a lot of positive feedback from the public.
- He stated that MyGov permitting process is in the works. It will allow the public to apply for permits online. They are also working on the 'My Iberville' App that will allow the community to engage with Parish officials.
- The Bayou Pigeon Boat Ramp will go out for bid soon and in the next 2 months there should be bid should be accepted

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director, Randall Dunn stated that each council members received budget to actual financial statements. He stated that the finance department is currently working on the audit and it will be completed by the end of June and they will receive that presentation at the July meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

# **IPC ORDINANCE NO. 002-24**

# ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE II, SECTION 2-01(E) (PARISH COUNCIL) AND ARTICLE III, SECTION 3-02(B) (EXECUTIVE BRANCH) OF THE IBERVILLE PARISH HOME RULE CHARTER FOR PURPOSES OF ENACTING TERM LIMITS

# FOR MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AND FOR THE PARISH PRESIDENT

**WHEREAS**, the Iberville Parish Council proposes to amend Article II, Section 2-01 and Article III, Section 3-02 of the Home Rule Charter of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana (the "Home Rule Charter"), for purposes of enacting term limits for members of the Iberville Parish Council and Iberville Parish President; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments set forth herein shall be submitted to the voters of Iberville Parish, at an election to be called in accordance with Louisiana law, and shall only be effective upon approval at said election.

**NOW, THEREOFRE**, the Parish Council of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority") acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana (the "Parish") **HEREBY ORDAINS THAT**:

**SECTION 1**. Article II, Section 2-01(E) of the Home Rule Charter is hereby amended to provide for term limits for the office of parish council, as follows:

ARTICLE II, SECTION 2-01(E). A council member shall be elected by the qualified voters of each district according to the election laws of the state for a four (4) year term. A council member who has served more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms shall not be eligible to qualify as a candidate for Council member for the succeeding term. No time in office served prior to the term beginning in January 2028 shall be considered in determining the limitation set forth herein.

**SECTION 2.** Article III, Section 3-02(B) of the Home Rule Charter is hereby amended to provide for term limits for the office of parish president, as follows:

ARTICLE III, Section 3-02(B) The president shall be elected at large by the qualified voters of the Parish according to the election laws of the state for a four (4) year term. A person who has served more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms shall not be eligible to qualify as a candidate for parish president for the succeeding term. No time in office served prior to the term beginning in January 2028 shall be considered in determining the limitation set forth herein.

**SECTION 3.** REPEAL. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed upon approval of said amendments by the voters of Iberville Parish.

**SECTION 4.** SEVERABILITY. If any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions of this ordinance, but this ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provisions enacted after the date of this ordinance which validates or makes legal any provisions of this ordinance which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** EFFECTIVE DATE. Upon approval of this ordinance by a two-thirds  $(\frac{2}{3})$  vote of the authorized membership of the Council pursuant to Article VII, Section 7-03 of the Home Rule Charter, the amendments provided herein shall be in full force and effect immediately upon approval by the voters of Iberville Parish.

**SECTION 6.** PUBLICATION. This ordinance shall be published in one issue of the official journal of this governing authority as soon as is reasonably possible.

**SECTION 7.** PUBLIC HEARING. This proposed ordinance shall be subject to a public hearing at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, in the Council chambers at the Iberville Parish Courthouse, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana with regard to the adoption of the above ordinance.

The foregoing ordinance which was previously introduced at the meeting of the Iberville Parish Council on April 16, 2024 and a copy thereof having been published in the official journal on April 25, 2024, the public hearing on this ordinance held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, was brought up for final passage with a motion by Councilman Smith, and seconded by Councilwoman Martinez, having been duly submitted to a vote, the ordinance was duly adopted by the following yea and nay vote on roll call:

YEAS: Easley, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan. NAYS: Allen, Dominique, Jenkins. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

The ordinance was declared adopted by the Chairman on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

#### NEW BUSINESS

A) Introduction of Ordinances

- 1) Ordinance to declare the following properties to be surplus and to authorize the Parish Administrator to sell the Parish of Iberville's interest in these properties at public sale pursuant to the terms of ordinance # 002-13
- 2) Ordinance to adopt the millage rates for the tax year 2024

Upon a motion by Councilman Frazier, seconded by Councilman Pierce, it was moved that a public hearing be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. on the introduced ordinances.

The motion having been duly submitted to a vote, was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

The motion was declared adopted by the Chairman on May 21, 2024.

B) Proposed variance for Mr. Freddie Capello

# MOTION TO GRANT VARIANCE FOR FREDDIE CAPELLO

Upon a motion by Councilman Dardenne, and seconded by Councilwoman Allen, it was motioned to grant a variance for Freddie Capello with the conditions listed in the variance.

The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

C) Proposed True Hope Group Home – Sonetra Johnson & Ella Jean McGinnis

- Sonetra Johnson came before the Council to ask for consideration to open a group home for girls at a residence on True Hope. The homeowner Ella Jean McGinnis came to show her support for the group home. She stated that these children in a group home need a stable environment and she does not see any issues allowing this residence to become a group home.
- Charlotte Tillman came before the council in opposition of the True Hope Group home. She stated that she didn't think that the group home was a good idea. The

residence was previously a group home for older people and there were issues with residents roaming the streets. She presented the council with pictures of the home, that shows damage to the exterior of the home.

- Martha Tillman came before the council in opposition of the True Hope Group Home. She stated that the home owner has had multiple different types of group homes and they have had issues with all the people that have lived there. She is not against the group home but doesn't want it in her neighborhood.
- Mary Saggs Hotard came before the council in opposition of the True Hope Group Home, she stated that the street is known for crime and that it is not the place for a group home for children. She is not against taking care of foster children but in the middle of a residential area is not a place to put a group home.

Upon a motion by Councilman Smith, and seconded by Councilwoman Jenkins, it was motioned to accept the proposed True Hope Group Home.

The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: None. NAYS: Allen, Easley, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan. ABSTAIN: Dominique, Markins. ABSENT: None.

# **RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Resolution Committee met on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 6:15 p.m., followed by the roll call with the following Resolution Committee Members only in attendance: Smith, Dardenne, Pierce, Jenkins, Martinez, Markins, Frazier, Morgan, Dominique.

Absent: None.

The following resolutions were read aloud by Mr. Dunn:

- A) Resolution of the Iberville Parish Council approving TSRC Specialty Materials, Inc., for participation in the Industrial Tax Exemption Program (ITEP) in Iberville Parish, Louisiana
- B) Resolution to authorize a request to the Louisiana Attorney General's Office regarding the official journal for the Parish of Iberville
- C) Resolution to authorize the law firm of Talbot, Carmouche & Marcello to file a claim and represent the Iberville Parish Council in the PFAS contamination litigation
- D) Resolution to declare 2016 Dodge Ram truck equipped with Guardian 190-gallon fixed sprayer as surplus property and provide transfer to the Village of Grosse Tete
- E) Resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special elections held in (i) Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana and (ii) Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, April 27, 2024, to authorize the renewal of special taxes therein
- F) Resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, to vote upon proposed amendments to the Parish's current Home Rule Charter, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith
- A representative from Talbot, Carmouche & Marcello, Lawrence Getty came before the council to speak on the current PFAS contamination litigation. It will not cause the Parish anything to join the suit.

• Desiree Lemoine representing Industry Makes, came before the council in opposition of the resolution to authorize the law firm of Talbot, Carmouche & Marcello to file a claim and represent the Iberville Parish Council in the PFAS contamination litigation. She asked that the council reconsider this resolution before voting on it.

Councilman Smith made a recommendation to forward the resolutions to the regular meeting, seconded by Councilman Pierce. The recommendation having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call by Resolution Committee Members only:

YEAS: Smith, Vallet, Pierce, Kelley, Markins, Jackson, Morgan, Dominique. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

The recommendation was declared adopted by the Chairman to forward these items to the regular meeting.

During the Regular Meeting:

# **RESOLUTION IPC# 2024-00**

# RESOLUTION OF THE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL APPROVING TSRC SPECIALTY MATERIALS, INC. FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE INDUSTRIAL TAX EXEMPTION PROGRAM IN IBERVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

This Resolution was offered by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pierce.

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, Article 7, Section 21(F), the administrative procedure act, LA R.S. 49:950, et seq., and LA R.S. 36:104, the Board of Commerce and Industry (BCI) may, with approval of the Governor, approve contracts for the exemption of ad valorem taxes applicable to a new manufacturing facility or an addition to an existing manufacturing facility, on such terms and conditions as the BCI, with the approval of the Governor, deems in the best interest of the State;

**WHEREAS,** TSRC SPECIALTY MATERIALS, INC., has applied for an Industrial Tax Exemption APPLICATION (ITE), bearing application No. 20220512-ITE, in the amount of\$30,712,166.00, which application has the approval of the BCI for the issuance of a contract granting the exemption;

**WHEREAS,** ITE contracts should be premised upon job and payroll creation or retention, at new or expanded manufacturing facilities, at an exemption percentage of 80% for a term of five years, and renewable for an additional term of five years in accordance with Louisiana law.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Iberville Parish Council, after public discussion held at its regular meeting on May 21, 2024, that the Iberville Parish Council hereby approves the terms of the ITE contract (Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the State of Louisiana, Office of Economic Development and TSRC SPECIALTY MATERIALS, INC. to the exemption contract between the BCI and TSRC SPECIALTY MATERIALS, INC.) with respect to the Styrene-Butadiene-Styrene (SBS) and Styrene-Isoprene-Styrene (SIS) thermoplastic rubber manufacturing facility located in Iberville Parish, Louisiana, based on the conditions contained in the Contract For Exemption of Ad Valorem Taxes, Application Number 20220512-ITE, a copy of which contract is attached to this resolution and made a part hereof.

**WHEREAS**, the ITE Iberville Parish Impact Summary for All Affected Taxing Bodies, for the ten-year tax abatement period at an 80% exemption rate, was prepared by the Iberville Parish Assessor's Office and is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**WHEREAS**, in the event TSRC SPECIALTY MATERIALS, INC., fails to complete its project, fails to timely meet is performance objectives, fails to meet the job creation positions, fails to meet the job retention positions requirements, or fails to maintain payroll amounts as contained in ITE Contract No. 20220512, within the time and term agreed, or if TSRC SPECIALTY MATERIALS,

INC., reduces its employment number or payroll amount to less than 90% of the required amount, such shall constitute a default under the award agreement and LED and the Iberville Parish Council shall retain the rights to modify or terminate the terms and conditions of the ITE incentive according to Louisiana law.

The Iberville Parish Council authorizes the LA Department of Economic Development and BCI to include this Resolution in the ITE contract between the BCI and TSRC SPECIALTY MATERIALS INC.

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL** that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the LA Department of Economic Development and BCI.

The foregoing Resolution having been submitted to a vote, was adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of May, 2024, by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

# **RESOLUTION IPC# 2024-00**

# RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A REQUEST TO THE LOUISIANA ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE REGARDING THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE

This Resolution was offered by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pierce.

WHEREAS, the Iberville Parish Council (the "Council") on June 20, 2023, at the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Iberville Parish Council, voted to select The Advocate (Baton Rouge) as the official journal for the Parish of Iberville.

WHEREAS the Post South was previously designated as the official journal for the Parish of Iberville. The Iberville Parish Council designated the Baton Rouge Advocate as the official journal because the Plaquemine Post South no longer had an office physically located in the Parish, which met the requirements of La R.S. 43:142 and La R.S. 43:140(5);

WHEREAS the Plaquemine Post South is a Gannett Co., Inc., publication. Gannett, the current owner of the Post South, sent correspondence to the Iberville Parish Council alleging that the designation by the Council of The Advocate (Baton Rouge) was in violation of La R.S. 43:142 and further, requesting that the Council change the designation back to the Post South;

WHEREAS, On Tuesday, March 19, 2024, the Iberville Parish Council held an executive session which was called during the regularly scheduled monthly meeting to discuss this issue. The Council requested that Nedi A. Morgan, Attorney, request and obtain an Attorney General opinion as to whether the designation of the Baton Rouge Advocate as the official journal by the Iberville Parish Council was in conformity with La R.S. 43:142 and La R.S. 43:140(5);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Iberville Parish Council as follows:

In accordance with the decision made by the Iberville Parish Council in the executive session held during the regularly scheduled meeting held on March 19, 2024, the Council requests that Nedi A. Morgan, Attorney, request and obtain from the Louisiana Attorney General an opinion as to whether the designation by the Iberville Parish Council of the Baton Rouge Advocate as the official journal for the Parish of Iberville was in conformity with La R.S. 43:142 and La R.S. 43:140(5); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Iberville Parish Council Clerk forward a copy of this

resolution immediately to Louisiana Attorney General's Office.

The foregoing Resolution having been submitted to a vote, was adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of May, 2024, by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

#### **RESOLUTION IPC# 2024-00**

#### RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE LAW FIRM OF TALBOT, CARMOUCHE & MARCELLO TO FILE A CLAIM AND REPRESENT THE IBERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL IN THE PFAS CONTAMINATION LITIGATION

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Allen, and seconded by Councilman Dominique, it was moved to table the resolution to join the PFAS contamination litigation. The motion having been duly submitted to a vote was duly adopted by the following yea and nay votes on roll call:

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

#### **RESOLUTION IPC# 2024-00**

# RESOLUTION TO DECLARE 2016 DODGE RAM TRUCK EQUIPPED WITH GUARDIAN 190 GALLON FIXED SPRAYER AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND PROVIDE TRANSFER TO THE VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE

This Resolution was offered by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pierce.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Iberville, through its Parish Council, has been requested to declare as surplus movable property, one (1) 2016 Dodge Ram Truck, VIN 3C6JR6AG8KG522437 with Guardian 190 Gallon Fixed Sprayer, which is no longer required for use by the Parish and should be declared as surplus property.

WHEREAS, LA. R.S. 49:125 provides that a political subdivision is authorized to sell surplus movable property at a public auction/sale, or pursuant to the provision of LA. Constitution of 1974, Article 7, Section 14, as amended, which provides that pursuant to a written agreement, the donation of the use of public equipment by a political subdivision upon request to another political subdivision for an activity or function the requesting political subdivision is authorized to exercise. (LA. Const. Art. 7, Sec. 14 (14).

WHEREAS, the Village of Grosse Tete has requested the donation of a surplus truck and sprayer from the Parish for providing mosquito spraying services to its residents through its department of public works for Mosquito Spraying within the Town of Maringouin and within the Village of Grosse Tete.

WHEREAS, pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement, the Parish Council shall transfer the 2016 Dodge Ram truck, VIN 3C6JR6AG8KG522437 with Fixed Sprayer, to the Village of Grosse Tete, for use in its Public Works Department for Mosquito Spraying.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iberville Parish Council as follows:

"That the used 2016 Dodge Ram truck, 3C6JR6AG8KG522437 equipped with fixed guardian sprayer, be declared as surplus movable property and be transferred to the Village of Grosse Tete to be used for Mosquito Spraying within the Town of Maringouin and The Village of Grosse Tete according to law."

The foregoing Resolution having been submitted to a vote, was adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of May, 2024, by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

# **RESOLUTION IPC# 2024-00**

# RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTIONS HELD IN (I) FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE, STATE OF LOUISIANA AND (II) FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024, TO AUTHORIZE THE RENEWAL OF SPECIAL TAXES THEREIN

This Resolution was offered by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pierce.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Iberville Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of (i) Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana and (ii) Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana (the "Districts"), that:

SECTION 1. <u>Canvass.</u> This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulations of votes cast at the special elections held in the Districts on SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 (the "Elections"), to authorize the renewal of special taxes therein pursuant to the following propositions (the "Propositions"):

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE, STATE OF LOUISIANA PROPOSITION (TAX RENEWAL)

Shall Fire Protection District No. 1 of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy a special tax of 3.95 mills on all property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$338,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2026 and ending with the year 2035, for the purpose of continuing the maintenance, operation and capital expenditures necessary to operate the fire protection district facilities and to obtain water for its protection purposes?

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE, STATE OF LOUISIANA PROPOSITION (TAX RENEWAL) Shall Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy a special tax of 6.78 mills on all property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$80,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2025 and ending with the year 2034, for the purpose of financing the maintenance, operation and capital expenditures necessary to operate the fire protection service throughout the District?

This Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns of the Elections thereof.

SECTION 2. <u>Election Results.</u> According to the official certified tabulation of votes cast at said Elections,

(i) there was a total of 669 votes cast IN FAVOR OF Fire Protection District No. 1 Proposition and a total of 224 votes cast AGAINST Fire Protection District No. 1 Proposition, resulting in a majority of 445 votes cast IN FAVOR OF Fire Protection District No. 1 Proposition; and

(ii) there was a total of **185** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Fire Protection District No. 2 Proposition and a total of **30** votes cast **AGAINST** Fire Protection District No. 2 Proposition, resulting in a majority of **155** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Fire Protection District No. 2 Proposition.

The Propositions were therefore duly **CARRIED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the Elections.

SECTION 3. <u>Promulgation of Election Result.</u> The results of said elections shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law, after receipt from the Secretary of State's office of the actual costs of the elections, as required by §18:1292 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

SECTION 4. <u>Declaration</u>. The foregoing results of the Elections are hereby declared by this Governing Authority and shall be published as required by law.

SECTION 5. <u>Procès Verbal.</u> A *Procès Verbal* of the canvass of the returns of the Elections shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in her office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Iberville, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

The foregoing Resolution having been submitted to a vote, was adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of May, 2024, by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Dominique, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

#### **RESOLUTION IPC# 2024-00**

# RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO VOTE UPON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PARISH'S CURRENT HOME RULE CHARTER FOR PURPOSES OF IMPLEMENTING TERM LIMITS, MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

This Resolution was offered by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pierce.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Iberville Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. <u>Election Call</u>. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, including Article VI, Sections 5, and 22 thereof, the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on **TUESDAY**, **NOVEMBER 5**, 2024, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

# **CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSITION NO. 1**

Shall Article II, Section 2-01(E) and Article III, Section 3-02(B) of the Iberville Parish Home Rule Charter be amended to limit the number of terms in office that may be served by Iberville Parish Council Members and the President of Iberville Parish to no more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms, as further set forth in Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 2024, adopted by the Iberville Parish Council on May 21, 2024?

SECTION 2. <u>Publication of Notice of Election</u>. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the official journal of the Parish once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the publication of the Notice of Election, the Clerk is authorized and directed to make any amendments to the foregoing proposition that may be required to comply with any state or federal regulatory agencies.

SECTION 3. <u>Canvass</u>. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room, 2nd floor, Courthouse Building, 58050 Meriam Street, Plaquemine, Louisiana, on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024**, at **SIX-THIRTY O'CLOCK (6:30) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 4. <u>Polling Places</u>. The polling places for the precincts in the Parish are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said elections, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. <u>Election Commissioners</u>; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered

voters in the Parish will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. <u>Authorization of Officers</u>. The Clerk of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Chairman and/or Clerk of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 7. <u>Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials</u>. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of Iberville Parish, and the Registrar of Voters of Iberville Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. <u>Application to State Bond Commission</u>. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to amend the Home Rule Charter. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

The foregoing Resolution having been submitted to a vote, was adopted on the 21<sup>st</sup>, day of May, 2024, by the following vote on roll call;

YEAS: Allen, Easley, Frazier, Smith, Pierce, Jenkins, Markins, Bradford, Martinez, Dardenne, Morgan.
NAYS: Dominique.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: None.

The resolution was declared adopted by the Chairman on 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

#### **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REPORT**

None.

DISCUSSIONS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENT

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilwoman Easley, and seconded by Councilman Pierce, to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. The motion was unanimously adopted.

/s/ MACY W. OURSO COUNCIL CLERK /s/ MATTHEW H. JEWELL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN