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## Hahnville man among Good Samaritans to save life at Cleopatra parade

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Blake Hirstius did not know if the man he helped on the parade route had made it; nor did his two fellow Good Samaritans who did all they could to save a life. Not only did they learn that Ronnie Lightell indeed made it – they all got to experience a very special moment together. Hirstius, of Hahnville, Justin Bernier and Cher Babin sprung into action on the night of the Krewe of Cleopatra parade in New Orleans when Lightell, 68, went into cardiac arrest. Lightell was watching the parade downtown – his wife was riding as a member of the krewe. Before EMS arrived, Hirstius, Bernier and Babin, along with a friend of Lightell's, performed

CPR. When Lightell was transported away for hospital care, the group did not know that he would make it – and in fact it seemed like a longshot. But they became aware that Lightell indeed did pull through after a news story broadcast on WWL confirmed that. The Samaritans reached out to WWL's Meg Farris to ask if it would be possible to meet the man – she coordinated a surprise meeting between them and Lightell, who had likewise expressed that he hoped to one day meet the people who saved him. "It was really rewarding because we didn't know, and with



Justin Bernier, Ronnie Lightell, Cher Babin and Blake Hirstius. (Photo courtesy Meg Farris/WWL TV).

**SAMARITAN on 4A**

## Tigers beat Wildcats on final at-bat



**TURN to 9A**

## Ladycats end Terriers' unbeaten streak



**TURN to 10A**

## Boutte grocery store officially renamed to Rivers Market

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After purchasing Majoria's Supermarket last year, Brandon Rivers recently put an official stamp on it, so to speak. The longtime Boutte grocery store and market has been officially renamed to Rivers Market. Rivers, who owns several stores and markets in the area, is naming them all under the united Rivers Market banner. "You know, as we continue to grow, we want people to know when they enter any of our stores, they're getting the



Rivers Market in Boutte.

same values and same deals at each and every one of them," said Rivers. "And at

**RIVERS on 5A**

## Construction of \$9 million Hahnville library to begin soon

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The St. Charles Parish Library board will consider final plans for a new \$9.1 million Hahnville branch May 19, clearing the way for construction to begin later this year. Library officials first began exploring options for a new Hahnville branch back in 2021 and the property at 15090 River Road was purchased in November of that year. Lauren Campo-Pitz, assistant director of the library, said library officials



New design renderings show the \$9.1 million Hahnville Branch. Construction on the project could begin this year.

are looking forward to a more modern facility to better serve the people who live and work in the parish.

**LIBRARY on 5A**

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## United Way celebrates 2nd largest fundraising effort in history

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2025 marked the second largest fundraising campaign in United Way of St. Charles' history, the organization announced this month.

UWSC raised \$3,781,540 in total to support programs and services benefiting parish residents. The nonprofit held its Victory Celebration gathering on April 9 at Ormond Manor, an annual acknowledgement and thank you to those who made that success possible.

Funds raised during the campaign will support UWSC's network of partner agencies and initiatives focused on education, financial stability and health across St. Charles Parish.

United Way noted that 29 workplace campaigns from across the parish collectively made that push. Leading the way were top-performing

**UNITED WAY on 7A**



Representatives from the top 10 fundraising companies for United Way of St. Charles' 2025 campaign.



A resident brings a pet to last year's rabies vaccination drive. This year's drive is Sunday from 9 a.m. to noon.

## Animal shelter to host Slumber Pawty fundraiser, rabies vaccine drive this weekend

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It's a "pawty!" The St. Charles Parish Animal Shelter will participate in a nationwide "Shelter Slumber Pawty" to raise funds and awareness for community animals on Saturday from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Dr. Jena Troxler, shelter supervisor, said the shelter will stream live on

Facebook during the event to show volunteers interacting with and caring for the pets. The shelter invited local teams, including PJ's and veterinary clinics, along with community members such as

**PAWTY on 7A**

## New outdoor classroom completed in Norco

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A little more than four years after an outdoor classroom at Wetlands Watchers Park was destroyed by fire, local residents will have a brand new place to learn all about nature and the environment.

On Tuesday, St. Charles Parish held the official ribbon cutting commemorating the completion of a new outdoor classroom at the Norco park named the Dow Discovery Deck.

The space is designed to give residents an opportunity to learn, explore and connect with nature. It is an open, covered pavilion that will provide a dedicated space for Swamp School and a variety of educational programs in partnership

with St. Charles Parish's school system and Parks and Recreation.

The project began construction on October 6. It is now complete and provides a unique, hands-on learning environment for residents and students throughout the parish.

The outdoor classroom was designed by Civil & Sports Design Engineering and constructed by Hammill Construction, LLC. The total cost of the project was \$210,000, with \$162,000 donated by Dow and remaining funds provided through Coastal Zone Management.

The facility features a covered

**OUTDOOR on 7A**



Scenes from the official ribbon cutting for the new Dow Discovery Deck in Norco (Photos courtesy St. Charles Parish).

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## What's happening in the markets and what it means for you

Provided by Ryan LeBlanc

You've likely been following the headlines about the military conflict in the Middle East, and we wanted to reach out directly to share our perspective on what it means for your portfolio.

### Here's what's happening:

The escalation of military operations in the Middle East has introduced new uncertainty into global markets, with oil prices climbing in response. The primary concern centers on the Strait of Hormuz, a narrow waterway off Iran's coast through which roughly 20 percent of the world's daily oil supply flows. Any sustained disruption there could push energy costs higher, which might unsettle the markets and could trickle down to consumer prices.<sup>1</sup>

### Here's what it means for you:

Market volatility during geopolitical events is expected. We've seen situations like this before, and markets adjust to the news over time. Your financial strategy was built to weather periods of uncertainty like this one.

There are also some updates worth noting. OPEC+ has announced it's prepared to increase oil production by 206,000 barrels per day starting in April. Global oil supply was already healthy heading into this event, with the International Energy Agency projecting global oil production growth of 2.4 million barrels per day in 2026. Major oil-producing nations in the Gulf also hold approximately 3.5 million barrels per day in spare capacity that can be brought online relatively quickly.<sup>2,3,4</sup>

### Our insight:

Your portfolio reflects your goals and time horizon, so reacting to short-term headlines can be a mistake. History has shown time and again that during periods of volatility, it's important to stay disciplined.

We are monitoring the situation closely and are here for you. If you have questions or simply want to talk things through, please don't hesitate to reach out. That's exactly what we're here for.

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Conflict, the Strait of Hormuz Remains Critical Oil Chokepoint,"

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## Muscle and joint pain: Is it age or something else?

By Melissa Taravella,  
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The older we get, the more common aches and pains seem to become for many people. From a sharp twinge with movement to persistent dull aches, we often chalk these up to wear and tear. While this may be the

case, there are actually many causes of chronic muscle and joint pain, and they aren't always due to your age.

Excluding an obvious injury, muscle and joint pain usually stems from inflammatory responses, chronic conditions, biomechanical issues, biological changes, daily lifestyle habits or a combination of these. The cause is sometimes short-lived, as with a cold or the flu. Other times, changes occur slowly over a long period of time before pain signals that something is wrong. The most common reasons we see in family practice include:

- **Overuse:** Repetitive movements (such as running, swimming or cycling) can cause inflammation in muscles, tendons and joints.

- **Biomechanics:** Incorrect alignment can place uneven stress on tissues, creating accelerated wear on joints and tight or weak muscles. This results in inflammation and pain.

- **Viral and bacterial infections:** Viruses like colds, flus, COVID-19 and many bacterial infections cause inflammation and may lead to localized or widespread joint pain, swelling and muscle aches.

- **Chronic conditions:** Autoimmune diseases and chronic pain syndromes (such as fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syndrome) can be responsible for systemic joint and muscle pain or weakness.

- **Joint conditions and connective tissue disorders:** Conditions like patellofemoral pain syndrome (runner's knee), arthritis and Ehlers-Danlos syndrome can all be responsible for joint pain.

- **Biological changes:** Degenerative changes in joints, tendons, ligaments and blood vessels (along with hormonal changes like those experienced in menopause) can also cause joint and muscle pain.

- **Lifestyle factors:** These can be quite numerous. Key contributors to pain include poor posture, being overweight, stress-induced muscle tension and poor diet.

### When to see your family doctor

Minor aches and pains can be initially managed with self-care. This includes rest, cold or heat therapy, massage and over-the-counter medications. Focus on gentle movement until your symptoms resolve. In the case of an injury, employ the RICE method: rest, ice, compression and elevation.

If your symptoms don't improve within a few days, make an appointment with your primary care physician for evaluation. For worsening or severe symptoms, see your provider sooner.

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Blake Hirstius with his children.

### SAMARITAN from 1A

everything happening like it did, he didn't necessarily think we'd ever find out either," said Hirstius. "So, how that all came together was pretty exciting, and obviously it was really great to see he's OK. He thanked us and it was very emotional.

"It was a really great moment, all of us getting together."

Lightell told them that his doctor said had the group not acted quickly to perform CPR, he probably would not still be here today.

"We were probably doing CPR for between 10 and 15 minutes before EMS got him onto a gurney and got him out of there ... it's a little scary," Hirstius said. "You're really just trying to stay focused on what's going on because so much is happening at the same time. It was really a team effort by everyone out there."

Hirstius served in the U.S. Coast Guard. Bernier is hospital nurse and Babin is a surgical tech.

"A lot of it is reverting back to your training. You get in there and kind of keep your eye on everything else and see if there's anything else you need to do or help with ... the other people I was out there with, they're nurses, healthcare professionals, so they're the ones who really know what they're doing in that situation."

Lightell served in the Marine Corps for many years before retiring. He's going through cardiac rehab and he and his wife have another grandchild on the way.

## RIVERS from 1A

the same time, it's my name out there in front of the building. I'm proud of the products we offer and the services we provide."

Rivers got his start in the grocery store business at 16 years old, bagging groceries and gathering baskets in the parking lot of Winn-Dixie in Ponchatoula. He worked his way onto the store's stock crew before taking on management training and leaping into the business full-time. Rivers worked for Winn-Dixie for 14 years, then the independent grocery Shopper Value Foods for nine years.

Nearly seven years ago, Rivers acquired his first grocery store, something he said was the realization of a dream. Years later, he now owns multiple stores – he aims to ultimately push the number to 10.

"That was kind of my dream, to own

my own grocery store one day, and it's a dream I've been blessed enough to fulfill," Rivers said. "This is all I've ever done. It's what I always wanted to do, and I love doing it."

After learning the Majoria family might be interested in selling their business, the Hammond native was quite interested – his experience with River Road Market and Norco Fresh Market in St. Charles Parish was extremely positive and he loved the Luling/Boutte area already from his time working with the Luling Winn-Dixie, which was among stores that he supervised.

Customers will see his name on the sign now, but when one enters the store they are also quite likely to find Rivers himself, who is very hands on and active with his stores.

"I go to Boutte, Norco and Destrehan

pretty much every day," Rivers said. "I love the River Parish area and I love dealing with customers. They're the type of people I grew up with. And it's those positive interactions with them, that positive customer service, that's allowed us to grow here and expand here. And we're looking forward to growing and expanding here in the River Parishes even more in the future."

Rivers said his hope is that this will be a family business that will sustain for years to come. His children stock groceries and work the registers on weekends, and down the line he said he would love to pass the business down to them.

"Hopefully this is something that will keep going even after I'm finished," Rivers said.

He said the experience over the first several months in Boutte has been very

positive and the store continues to evolve. Rivers noted the store features a redone, extensive liquor set and recently added gourmet popcorn to its items available. He added there are more changes and additions to come.

There is a special re-grand opening week planned to celebrate the store's new name that is planned to begin on May 15.

"We're expecting a bunch of vendors here for samples and demos, and a lot of great values for our customers," said Rivers.

## LIBRARY from 1A

"The current Hahnville location has parking and space limitations, and this new branch will have a better parking lot and more space for everyone," Pitz said. "The large meeting room, parking lot, and outdoor space will give us the opportunity to host more events – and at a larger scale – on the west bank of the parish."

Newly released renderings of the library include four study rooms, public-access computers, a meeting room and special areas for adults, children and teens.

"We have looked at what is popular and focused on those areas, namely the study rooms, meeting rooms, and spaces to hold larger library events," Pitz said. "At our other branches, the study rooms are usually full of people using them for small meetings, tutoring, and studying, so we worked to maximize the number available."

Pitz said access to a larger meeting room for educational, cultural and

informational purposes by groups and individuals is also in demand at other branches. The library also hosts special guests and community events in the library's meeting rooms throughout the year, especially during the annual summer reading program.

"So, we knew we wanted this branch to have a meeting room that would be large enough to meet the community's needs," she said.

The design also features a Louisiana Room, which will include a special collection of materials about Louisiana, with a primary focus on St. Charles Parish history and genealogy. The space will include a workspace for people to spread out research materials, computers and a copy machine. It will also be another space for people to sit and read.

"It also serves as the official repository of all nonlegal records and reports of the parish and houses the parish council agendas and video archives of St. Charles Parish Council meetings," Pitz said.

The Hahnville branch site is unique within the library system because the levee is located to the rear of the building and most of the land behind the building will be green space, Pitz said.

A covered patio with an entrance facing the levee will provide access to the library from that direction. The new branch will also feature a reading nook overlooking the levee for young readers.

"Promoting early literacy skills in children is a priority of ours, so we're always thinking of ways to help develop that love of reading in children of all ages," Pitz said. "Having an area with natural light from a large window looking out toward the levee is one element of providing a comfortable, inviting space for children and their parents to browse books and sit and read together."

Pitz said once the new branch opens, it will have different hours and will be open on Saturdays, making it more accessible to more people.

"Libraries provide a huge return on

the investment that their communities put into them, and the Hahnville Branch is no different," she said. "We hope that a new library building with these features we've described will put us on the radar of people who might not have visited a library in a while."

The St. Charles Parish library system has six branches. The Hahnville branch has been waiting its turn for a renovation or new construction, Pitz said.

A new makerspace at the West Regional library opened last summer. The St. Rose branch library reopened last March after undergoing building improvements, including new paint, new carpet, and a reconfiguration of shelves. That branch also received new computer furniture and children's area furniture last year.

Aside from general maintenance and upkeep, no other renovations or construction projects are currently planned.

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# Sheriff's Reports

Suspects are innocent until proved guilty in a court of law

## Arrests

• **Rogerelle Simon, 32**, was arrested April 9 in Destrehan and charged with theft.

• **Lynsey Stafford, 38**, was arrested April 8 in Destrehan and charged with theft.

• **Tyson Brasher, 40**, was arrested April 8 in Destrehan and charged with disturbing the peace – offensive, derisive, annoying words to another, disturbing the peace – appearing in an intoxicated condition, and resisting an officer.

• **Jaslin Benefield, 27**, was arrested April 12 in Norco and charged with domestic abuse battery – minor injury.

• **Dolores Molina-Reyes, 28**, was arrested April 11 in Ama and charged with domestic abuse battery with a dangerous weapon-minor injury.

• **Brandi Davis, 40**, was arrested April 5 in Luling and charged with simple criminal damage to property, aggravated battery, possession or distribution of drug paraphernalia and simple burglary.

• **Rendell Jenkins, 48**, was arrested April 4 in Destrehan and charged with unauthorized entry of an inhabited dwelling and a fugitive arrest.



# Obituaries

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## Pfister

On April 6, 2026, LeRoy J. Pfister went to be with the Lord our Father, passing peacefully at the age of 95. Though he has left this world, his spirit of kindness continues to shine in the many lives he touched.

LeRoy was born in Ponchatoula, Louisiana, and lived in White Hall, Louisiana, during his early years. He later moved to Norco and eventually settled in Destrehan, Louisiana. He was the son of William ("Willie") Pfister and Lillian Vicknair Pfister, and the oldest of five boys. He was predeceased by three of his brothers: James ("Jimmy") Pfister of California, Paul George of LaPlace, Louisiana, and Allen J. ("A.J.") Pfister of Texas. He is survived by his youngest brother, Roland J. Pfister (Rita) of Ponchatoula, Louisiana.

In 1954, he married Dorothy ("Dotsey") M. Andry (predeceased); they later parted. From this marriage, they had five children: Terry J. Pfister (Debbie), Glenn J. Pfister (Carol), David J. Pfister (Hilda), Sheila A. Duecaster (Ben), and Michael J. Pfister (Jennifer). He later married Vinna Belle (Kennison) Haines (predeceased), and they spent 38 happy years together. Through this marriage, he gained a stepdaughter, Emma Jean Mollere.

He is survived by four grandchildren: Misti M. Cutchens (John), Hollie E. Pfister, Jimmie "LeRoy" Pfister (Jessica), and Kayla P. Nosacka (Daniel); as well as three step-grandsons: Mark A. Smith (DeDe), Gregory Mollere, and Broderick Mollere (Donna). He also had over a dozen great-grandchildren.

After working a variety of small-town jobs—including Norco paperboy, mascot (the real DHS Wildcat), tender/hauler, body and fender man at Lousteau's, and filling station attendant for "T." He was drafted and served his country, with boots on the ground in Korea. Upon returning home, LeRoy built a career of over 30 years with Shell Oil Company in Norco. He began as a painter's helper and worked his way up through the ranks before retiring in 1985.

In his later years, he enjoyed traveling, especially old-fashioned road trips to visit relatives and trips to the casino. Knowing he lived a good life, he will forever remain in our hearts and will be deeply missed.

Relatives and friends are invited to St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 13396 River Rd. Destrehan, LA on Saturday, April 11, 2026, Visitation will begin at 10AM with Mass at 11:30AM. Interment to follow at Jefferson Memorial Gardens in Saint Rose, LA.



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**UNITED WAY from 2A**

United Way of St. Charles' 2025 campaign co-chairs.

campaigns from Shell Norco, Valero St. Charles Refinery, Dow – St. Charles Operations, Entergy Waterford 3, St. Charles Parish Public Schools, Bayer, St. Charles Parish Government, Bunge, St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office, Zachry and Cornerstone Chemical Company.

Tammy Little, Rochelle Touchard, Leslie Sullivan and Loyd Bourgeois were also recognized at the celebration as the campaign's top individual donors. Special recognition was also extended to the 2025 campaign co-chairs, Bourgeois, Gerry Flood, Darlene Santana, Jenny Mayeaux and Anthony Ayo, for their strong leadership throughout the campaign.

John Dias, executive director of United Way of St. Charles, said the

drive's success is indicative of a strong, tight-knit community.

"We are deeply grateful to every donor, volunteer and partner who made this campaign a success," said John Dias, executive director of United Way of St. Charles. "This achievement reflects the power of a community coming together with a shared purpose. Every dollar raised represents hope, opportunity and a stronger future for our neighbors. The impact of this campaign will be felt throughout our community in meaningful and lasting ways."

For more information about United Way of St. Charles or to learn how to get involved, one may call 985-331-9063 or visit [www.uwaysc.org](http://www.uwaysc.org).

**PAWTY from 2A**

shelter volunteers and local musician Will Dempsey and his family, to spend time with shelter pets during the event.

"100 percent of the funds raised for this event go back to our shelter," Troxler said.

The shelter has raised over \$1,000 since the fundraiser began March 27. Residents can participate by sponsoring a pet for the night, donating items from the parish's wish list, following along on social media for live "bedtime updates," or sharing adoptable pets to help find families. Donations can be made online at [shelterslumberpawty.com](http://shelterslumberpawty.com).

The Shelter Slumber Pawty began in 2017 at Gateway Pet Guardians near St. Louis, where staff and volunteers spent 24 hours alongside shelter dogs while livestreaming the experience and asking supporters for donations. The first event raised more than \$30,000 and has since grown into a nationwide collaborative fundraiser involving dozens of shelters.

On Sunday, the shelter will host its annual rabies vaccine drive from 9 a.m. to noon. Rabies vaccinations will be available for \$10 per animal. A valid ID is required as proof of parish residency.

This year's event is back at both East Bank Bridge Park in Destrehan and West Bank Bridge Park in Luling. Last year, the shelter hosted the event as a drive-thru at the community center because of construction at East Bank Bridge Park. This year's event is not a drive-thru.

Troxler said about 300 pets were vaccinated last year.

"This year's event is back to being on both sides of the river, so we're glad to provide this service to our residents and their furry family members," Troxler said.

All dogs and cats over three months old or weighing three pounds or more can receive a vaccination. For the safety of all pets and people, dogs must be properly leashed or placed in a carrier, and cats must be placed in a carrier. Cash will be the only form of payment accepted.

Rabies is fatal in humans if an exposed person does not seek prompt medical care and receive post-exposure treatment.

"This is a way for people to do their part in reducing the potential for exposure from pets," Troxler said.

She stressed that pets also need annual veterinary exams, heartworm and flea prevention, and vaccines for other bacterial and viral diseases. Rabies is the minimum required by law for pet owners.

Private veterinarians Dr. Jack Moreau, Dr. John Melancon and Dr. Tommy Vitrano held vaccine drives for many years in the parish. The parish animal shelter began supporting the drive in 2017 with Dr. Moreau, Dr. Troxler and a combination of nonprofit funding and grants.

**OUTDOOR from 2A**

classroom area with shade structures, safety railings, and a fully accessible ramp, ensuring that individuals of all abilities can utilize the space.

The discovery deck will serve as a hub for environmental and educational programming, including initiatives like Swamp School, which teaches youth about wetland conservation and the role it plays in protecting Louisiana's coast.

"The classroom adds an educational value to our vast recreation components that we are able to enjoy in the Bonnet Carre' Spillway such as boating, water skiing, jet skiing, hunting, off road bikes, bird and wildlife viewing, bank and boat fishing, crabbing and camping, and horseback riding, just to name a few," said Parks and Recreation director Duane Foret.

Foret said the project provides a great example of what can be accomplished through strong partnerships.

"We are especially grateful to Dow for their generous contribution and continued support in helping bring



this vision to life. Because of their investment, along with the support from our Coastal Zone Management, we now have a space that will benefit our community for years to come," Foret said.

Foret said the Dow Discovery Deck allows the

department to expand its programming and offer more hands-on learning opportunities.

"What makes this space even more special is that it was designed for everyone. With full accessibility, safety features, and shaded areas, it ensures that all residents can enjoy and learn from this facility," said Foret. "We're excited to continue growing our programs and using this space to connect our community with the natural resources that make St. Charles Parish so unique."

The original classroom was destroyed by a fire in December of 2021 – around, at the time, the 25th anniversary of the LaBranche Wetlands Watchers. The structure survived three major hurricanes prior to the fire.

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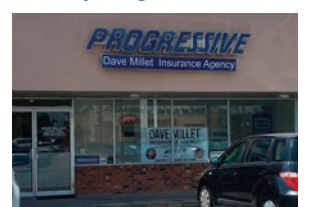
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## Residents can join parish Trash Bash cleanup, celebration Saturday

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St. Charles Parish residents still have time to sign up for this year's Trash Bash, the parish's annual volunteer cleanup aimed at reducing litter and beautifying neighborhoods.

The event will take place Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., as residents spread out across the parish to collect roadside litter and improve public spaces as part of the parishwide initiative. Registration remains open through the day of the event, and residents can sign up online through the parish website.

Necessary equipment, including pickup sticks, gloves and trash bags, will be distributed at the Edward A. Dufresne Community Center before Saturday's cleanup. Students seeking volunteer service hours for school or church can earn them by participating in Trash Bash. Certificates are available upon request at the check-in table at the Trash Bash celebration.

Grayson Touchard, a spokesperson for the Parks and Recreation Department, said Trash Bash participants may choose any area of the parish they would like to clean. Volunteers can also collect No. 1 plastic bottles and aluminum cans for recycling.

Once volunteers finish, they can leave filled trash bags along the roadside for collection and head to the Edward A. Dufresne Community Center in Luling for a post-cleanup celebration.

The gathering will include food, music, activities and raffle prizes for participants. Wetland Watchers will also be on site with live animals, giving attendees the chance to meet some of the region's "swamp friends."

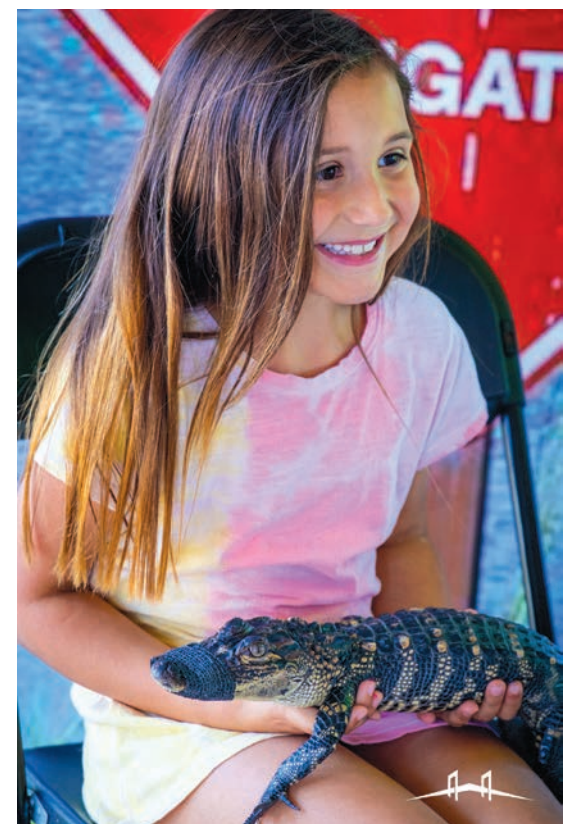
The celebration is open to volunteers who participate in the cleanup and submit their tracking sheet afterward.

Touchard said the event gives residents the opportunity to make a direct impact on their environment.

"It's about promoting responsibility, protecting our natural spaces, and creating a cleaner, safer parish for everyone to enjoy," she said. "Seeing the difference before and after the cleanup, and knowing our residents played a role in that, is always rewarding."

The Trash Bash is hosted in partnership with Keep Louisiana Beautiful's Love the Boot Week, Louisiana's largest litter cleanup effort.

At last year's Trash Bash, 782 volunteers collected 447 bags of trash from public spaces. The lieutenant governor's office recognized the parish with the Outstanding Recycling Award after volunteers collected 634 plastic bottles and aluminum cans.



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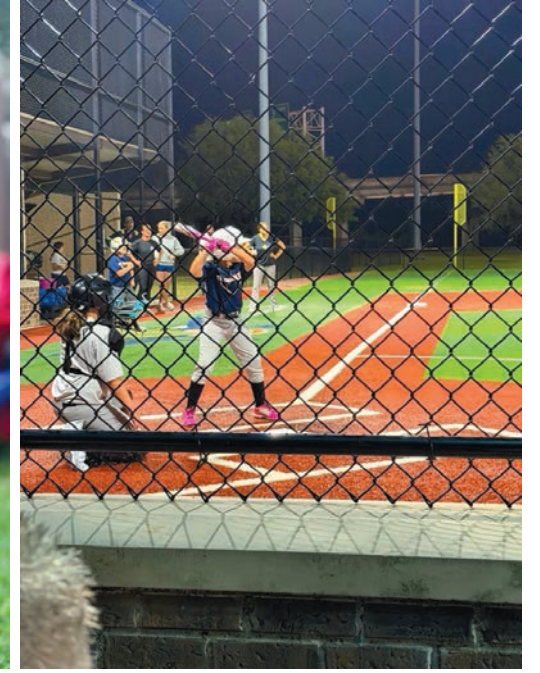
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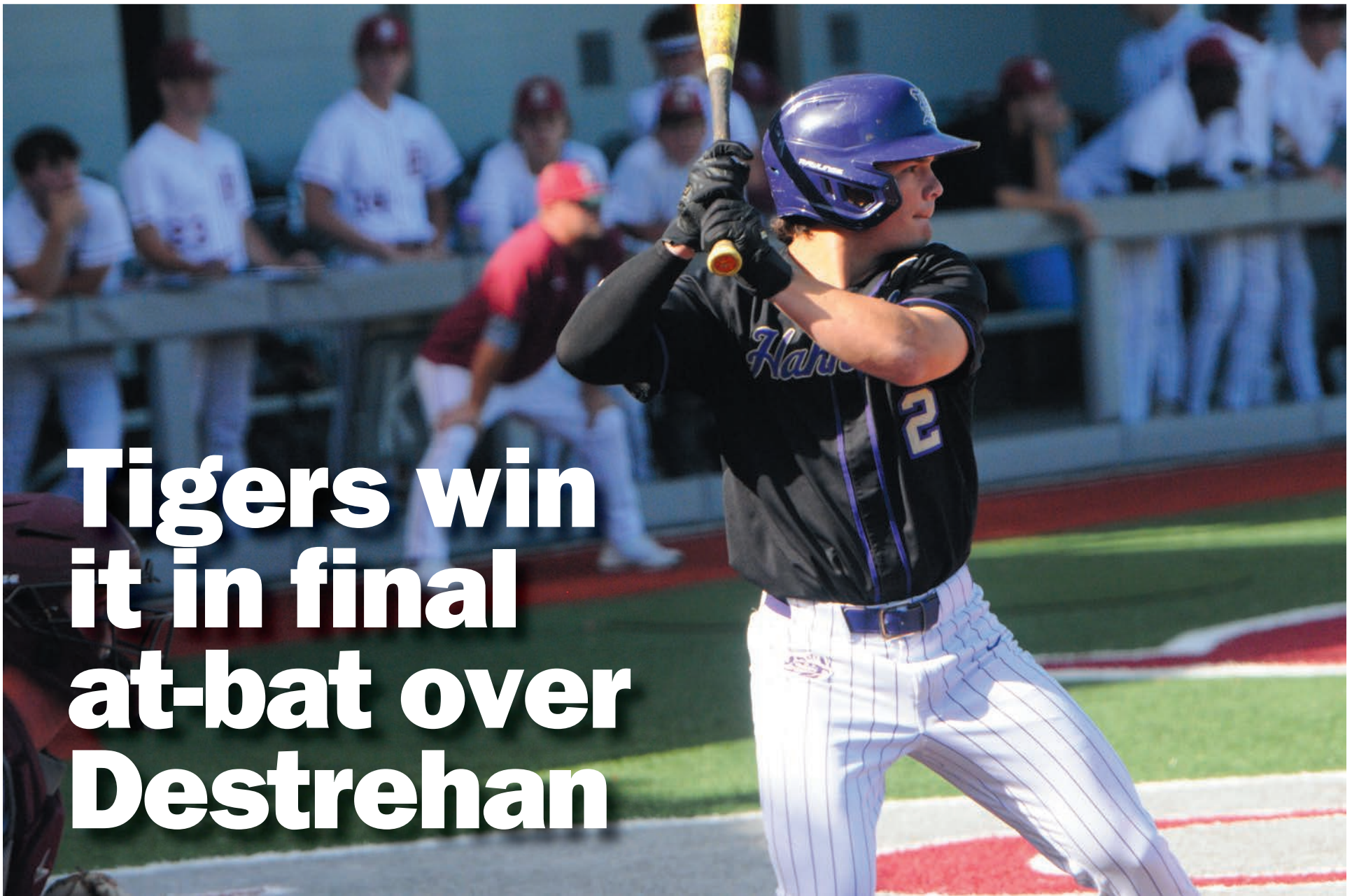
Marigny enjoys her first tea party at Dance Unlimited in Destrehan.



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Rosie helps her mom in the garden.



## Tigers win it in final at-bat over Destrehan

Hahnville's Brayden Fontenot

Heiden delivers with the bases loaded for Tigers win; HHS earns bye, DHS will host Fontainebleau in first round

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With all eyes on him, Luke Heiden delivered.

Hahnville and Destrehan were tied 4-4 in extra innings with the bases loaded and no outs. Heiden laced a single to center field to plate the game-winning run for a 5-4 walkoff victory at home, extending a Tiger win streak that has now reached 18 and securing a sweep of the Wildcats in the rivals' annual two-game home-and-home series.

Heiden's hit brought the Tigers flooding out of the dugout the field for a celebratory dogpile. He called the moment a dream come true.

"I've been coming to these games since I was six years old. I've been wanting to

do that my whole life," Heiden said of the game-winning hit. "In the moment, I felt it was going to happen, it was just a matter of execution ... do whatever it takes to put the ball in play and win the game."

Hahnville head coach Jared Vial noted Heiden has come through in big spots all season as one of the team's RBI leaders.

"We knew in a situation like that, he's a good bat-to-ball guy. We just told him before the at-bat, get something in the zone, get a bat on it and good things are gonna happen, and that's what he did," Vial said.

It proved to be a big win for the Tigers, who officially secured a bye this week when playoff brackets were announced

– Hahnville earned the No. 5 seed. The top six seed earn byes.

The win came on the heels of a 1-0 victory at Destrehan on Tuesday for the Tigers.

"That's a quality club," Vial said of Destrehan. "And these were two quality games. We're going to benefit from these last two games more than just the feeling of losing or winning ... at the end of the day, there's really good baseball in St. Charles Parish. And people need to know

there are two really good programs here in this parish."

On the day, Heiden went 2-for-4 with three RBIs for Hahnville (28-6). Koa Romero went 3-for-3 with a home run, two RBIs and a run scored. Brayden Fontenot went 1-for-3 with a double and run scored.

Landen Teague earned the win on the mound in relief, pitching three scoreless and hitless innings while striking out five. Matt Plaisance started the game for Hahnville and went five innings, allowing four runs on four hits and five walks.

Chase Mire started for Destrehan (23-11) and went five innings, allowing four runs on four hits and two walks. He struck out four. Landyn Dugas pitched three innings of relief and allowed one run on three hits and three walks,

striking out one.

Chase Marcotte and Champ White each hit home runs to lead Destrehan at the plate, with White scoring twice in the game and stealing a base.

The game began uncharacteristically shaky in the field for the Tigers, who committed four errors in the first three innings of play – the final mistake on a throw that allowed Dugas to score to cut what was a 2-0 HHS lead – on a two-run single by Heiden in the first inning – to 2-1.

"Our guys held their composure and did what they needed to do to overcome those mistakes," Vial said.

Romero extended Hahnville's lead to 4-1, connecting for a towering home run



Hahnville's Luke Heiden delivers the walk-off game winning hit against Destrehan.



Brady Carter of Destrehan

# Wildcats end Vandy's unbeaten streak

DHS goes 2-1 against trio of Top 3 ranked squads to end regular season

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Before the start of the playoffs, Destrehan prepared itself one last time in the regular season – or, more accurately, three times. The Wildcats ran a true gauntlet of opponents over their final week of play.

DHS faced off with the No. 1 ranked team in Division II-select (Vanderbilt Catholic), the No. 2 ranked team in Division II non-select (Lutcher) and the No. 3 ranked team in Division II-non-select – going 2-1 in those games.

“It was the Dodgers and the Astros,” Destrehan head coach Craig Perrier quipped. “Anything we’re lacking in, anything we need to work on, you’re going to see it against those teams who are always top five, year in and out making long playoff runs ... we want to play the best at the end of the regular season so we can do that.”

Destrehan began that gauntlet by defeating Brusly 5-4, rallying from a 4-1 deficit in the seventh inning to score four runs in the bottom of the seventh. Jolie Lozano’s walk-off double scored Chloe Burford to seal the win. Gracie Bourgeois set that up with her game-tying 3-run home run after Luci Cassagne and Ava Breazeale led off the inning with back-to-back singles.

Lozano doubled twice in the game. Burford and Breazeale each doubled. Breazeale went 2-for-3. Lozano went the complete game for the win, allowing three earned runs on six hits and a walk.

Conversely, it was Destrehan leaping out to an early lead against top-ranked Vanderbilt. Destrehan struck first on Victoria Morrow’s first-inning three-run home run that made it 3-0. The Wildcats capitalized on a couple of Terrier mistakes to make it 6-0, with two runs scoring on an error and another when Lozano drew a bases loaded walk to force home a run. Vanderbilt cut the lead to three by the sixth inning, but could draw no closer.

Morrow finished 1-for-4 with three RBIs and two runs scored. Burford stole two bases and scored two runs. Cassagne went 2-for-3 with a run.

Lozano went the complete seven innings for the win, allowing no earned runs and three unearned on seven hits and four strikeouts.



Ava Breazeale of Destrehan

The one loss in the trio of games came to Lutcher, which earned a 9-2 home win on Tuesday.

DHS led 2-0 in the first inning after a two-run Lozano homer, but Lutcher scored four in the bottom half to take a lead it would never relinquish.

Blair Clement earned the win for Lutcher on the mound, allowing two earned runs on five hits while striking out six. Lozano took the loss, allowing six earned runs on eight hits. Clement, Addison Brignac and Reece Clement led the LHS offense, each driving in two runs.

Still, as the old saying goes – two out of three ain’t bad.

That’s especially so in this case. The win over Vanderbilt Catholic was a significant victory – Vanderbilt traveled to Destrehan with an undefeated record – the Ladycats ended what was a 25-game winning streak by the Terriers, and did so by leading wire-to-wire.

“These girls aren’t scared of anybody,” Perrier said. “We had a little talk with them before the game and fired them up. And we start, walk, base hit and then the

three-run homer ... we made an error and if we don’t do that, they don’t score. So it was a really big win and a really impressive performance by our girls.”

Morrow’s home run was the catalyst early on.

“She wants to be good. She’s never satisfied,” said Perrier of his shortstop. “She always wants extra ground balls, always is working on her swing. A lot of the times she gets out, she’s hitting it so hard, right at someone. A lot of kids would get frustrated with that and get into a slump, but she continues to work and work and work. And between her and (second baseman) Rylie Staton, they’re so solid defensively.”

The Ladycats earned a likely opening round bye. As of Wednesday morning, DHS projected to earn the No. 6 seed in the Division I non-select bracket, and the top six teams earn a bye. While the bracket was announced after press time, barring a major change Destrehan (22-6) was set to spend the next few days fine-tuning in practice and scouting its potential upcoming opponents.

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over the right field wall that scored he and Fontenot.

But Destrehan fought back to make this a second classic game between the rivals in three days. Marcotte led off the next inning with his own home run blast to make it 4-2. Later in the inning, Derek Lucas’ RBI single scored White to make it 4-3.

The Wildcats tied things up as Champ White led off the top of the sixth inning by connecting for a solo home run that sent the Wildcat dugout into a frenzy.

“His first time starting for a full year,” Destrehan head coach Chris Mire said of White. “He had a little stretch there where I think he maybe started to question himself, but he got through that and he’s starting to swing it like the Champ White we know he can be. He’s been hitting fastballs real hard all year.”

Mire said the Wildcats fought to the final at-bat against a strong Tiger squad.

“We wanted to make this a seven-round fight,” said Mire, “We talked about that all day long, competing for seven, and we did ... credit to Hahnville, they get big knocks when they need to, make big pitches when they need to. I love the way we’re fighting and playing right now, and I think good things are ahead of us if we continue to play this way. We just came up one run short twice against a really good baseball team.”

Destrehan earned the No. 14 seed in the Division I non-select playoff field and will host Fontainebleau (19-15) for a three-game opening round series. The bracket was announced Tuesday but game times were not yet set by press time.

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# Lady Tigers rally past Mandeville, will host opening round game

Tigers trailed 3-0 before Villasenor's home run sparked 5th inning surge

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Hahnville will head into the state softball playoffs with momentum after delivering in the clutch Tuesday, earning a 10-7 victory at home over Mandeville in the final regular season game for both teams.

The game saw a wild finish over the final three innings with Hahnville rallying from a 3-0 deficit to score five runs in the bottom of the fifth inning. Mandeville scored three to tie in the top of the sixth to regain the lead before HHS delivered another five runs in the bottom half to take control for good.

Rylee Villasenor's 3-run home run shifted momentum in the fifth, giving the Tigers (19-12) a 5-3 lead.

"That kind of sparked us," said Hahnville head coach Jeremy Duplantis.

Prior to that, Emma Jackson scored on an error and Shelby Theriot hit an RBI single to plate the first two Tiger runs.

Mandeville loaded the bases in the top of the sixth. Ava Swift drew a walk to force home a run, then Savannah Windham's two-run single made it a 6-5 Skippers lead.

But Hahnville (19-12) went to work at the plate again. Jackson led off with a line drive up the middle for a single to get the Tigers going in the bottom of the sixth. Jordyn Chaix's RBI triple tied things up. Sophie Baudouin then doubled home two runs to give HHS the 8-6 lead. Jordan Lirette's RBI single plated another run before Adriana Walton hit her own RBI single to push the lead to 10-6. Mandeville scratched across another run in the seventh but Hahnville shut the door from there.

"It was a playoff-like atmosphere for sure tonight," Duplantis said. "Both teams really wanted to win and it was a battle. That definitely tested us going into the playoffs."

Villasenor went 1-for-3 with two runs scored and three RBIs. Baudouin went 1-for-4 with a double, two RBIs and a run. Walton went 2-for-5 with an RBI. Lirette was 1-for-1 but reached in all of her plate appearances, drawing two walks. Chaix was 1-for-3 with a triple, two runs and an RBI.

Londyn Lambert went 5.2 innings on the mound for HHS, allowing three earned runs on 11 hits and four walks. She struck out three. Claire Gassen closed the game, finishing with 1.1 innings pitched, no earned runs allowed,



Hahnville's Rylee Villasenor following home run in non-district play.

one hit and a walk.

Emma Jackson stole two bases, while Walton and Peytience Alexander each stole one.

Jackson's two steals were her third and fourth over the past three games. The

senior first baseman has been putting pressure on the opposition all year for an aggressive Tigers team that looks to run early and often.

"Emma's been a leader. She's probably our most vocal player out there,"

Duplantis said. "She's got a lot of stolen bases for us this year and is a great base-runner altogether. And, defensively, she's made a lot of good plays for us at first base all year long."

On Saturday, Hahnville split two games at home, defeating Marksville 10-3 and falling to D'Arbonne Woods, 7-0.

Against Marksville, Lambert hit a home run, going 2-for-3 at the plate with two RBIs, while Jackson, Chaix and Sophie Patin each doubled. Jackson and Chaix each stole two bases and Baudouin stole one.

Claire Gassen earned the win in a complete game effort, striking out 10. She allowed two earned runs on seven hits and two walks.

D'Arbonne Woods led 1-0 going into the fifth inning of their game with HHS before a four-run fifth broke things open. Kenzie Isaac and Aubrey Zachry combined for the shutout for the Timberwolves.

For HHS Lambert struck out nine, allowing three earned runs on nine hits and four walks to take the loss.

Playoff brackets were set to be released Wednesday afternoon following press time. Hahnville was projected to earn the 8th seed in Division I non-select, however, which would mean home games in the first two rounds of the playoffs.

That's a notable accomplishment for a young Tigers group starting several underclassmen. Despite that inexperience entering the season, this team has been very tested over the course of its 30-plus games thus far, playing some of the best of the best statewide.

"We've seen everything this year," Duplantis said.

Over the second half of the season, Villasenor has surged. The Tigers' cleanup hitter and last season's Offensive MVP of District 8-5A, she's giving Hahnville major production in the middle of the order.

"She's got seven home runs now this year and that RBI total is really going up," Duplantis said. "She was in a slump to start the year and she battled out of it in a big way. I'm proud of her."

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**Dwelling Place**

I shall dwell in the House of the Lord forever, that is my prayer for myself & all those who ask Jesus into their hearts. I know through the Holy Spirit that I have a dwelling place in Heaven where I shall dwell for all Eternity with my Lord & Savior "Jesus Christ". He lives within my heart & assures me that He has prepared a place for me, when He calls me home. I am at peace knowing my God & His words. My dear friends if you don't know my Jesus yet, please let Him come into your heart right now, before it is too late. You also shall be at peace. That will be the greatest decision you ever make. Come now in Jesus name, is my prayer for you.  
**Amen & Amen**

*Edna Matherne*

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**ST. CHARLES PARISH PUBLIC NOTICES**



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**Public Notice**

**ST. CHARLES PARISH ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL MEET ON **APRIL 16, 2026** AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE PARISH COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 15045 RIVER ROAD, HAHNVILLE TO HEAR:

- 2026-9-ZBA** requested by **Supreme Developers, LLC** to reduce the rear-yard setback for a new construction townhome, **21 Barreca Street, Norco**, Zoning District R-3, Council District 6.
- 2026-13-ZBA** requested by **Tim Tregre Jr.** to reduce the front-yard setback for an attached carport, **401 West B Street, Norco**, Zoning District R-1A, Council District 6.
- 2026-14-ZBA** requested by **Keith and Katherine Hinrichs** to reduce the front-yard setback and allow an accessory structure in a front yard, **200 South Destrehan Avenue, Destrehan**, Zoning District R-1A, Council District 2.
- 2026-15-ZBA** requested by **Life Fellowship Church** to reduce the minimum building elevation from 7ft. NAVD88 to 12" above the centerline of the street for a building, **2659 Hwy 306, Des Allemands**, Zoning District R-1A(M), Council District 4.
- 2026-16-ZBA** requested by **La Queena Hunter** to reduce the minimum building elevation from 6ft. NAVD88 to 12" above the centerline of the street to replace a mobile home, **151 JB Green Road, Des Allemands**, Zoning District R-1A(M), Council District 4.
- 2026-17-ZBA** requested by **Andrew & Leighanne Wood** to reduce the minimum building elevation from 8ft. NAVD88 to 12" above the centerline of the street to build a single-family home, **300 Grand Bayou Road, Des Allemands**, Zoning District O-L, Council District 4.

ALTERNATE DATE: 4/23  
PUBLISH 4/2, 4/9, 4/16

**Public Notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE – SURPLUS PROPERTY BID**

St. Charles Parish Hospital Service District No. 1, Luling, Louisiana, has declared certain movable property as surplus and no longer needed for public purposes pursuant to Board action taken January 7, 2026. Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 PM on **May 5, 2026**, at 1057 Paul Maillard Road, Suite 2200, Luling, LA 70070, located in Administration, and publicly opened at 2:30 PM the same day.

SURPLUS PROPERTY INCLUDES:

DESCRIPTION	BRAND/MAKE	QTY	MODEL NUMBER	MINIMUM BID (ea.)
Stryker Procuity Bed	Stryker	2	3009PX-ZX-4	\$1,500
Lifepak Cardiac Monitor LP15	Lifepak	2	LP15 code cart model	\$5,000
Lifepak Cardiac Monitor LP12	Lifepak	10	LP12 code cart model	\$1,000
Lifepak Cardiac Monitor	Zoll X-Series	1	Zoll X-Series	\$5,000
Lifepak Cardiac Monitor LP15	Lifepak	7	LP15	\$10,000
Hill-Rom Versa-Care Bed	Hill-Rom	13	Versacare P3200E	\$800
Hill-Rom Versa-Care Bed	Hill-Rom	4	Versacare P3200D	\$800
Bladder Scanner	Verathon	1	Verathon BVI 9400	\$50

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked: "SEALED BID – SURPLUS PROPERTY – DO NOT OPEN" and include bidder name, address, phone number, and bid amount. Property may be inspected by appointment during normal business hours. All property is sold AS IS, WHERE IS, without warranty. Successful bidder must remit payment in certified funds within seventy-two (72) hours of award. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to withdraw any property from sale. For information, contact: St. Charles Parish Hospital Service District No. 1, Accounting Department, Phone: (985) 785-6242

Publish: April 9, 2026; April 16, 2026; April 23, 2026

**Public Notice**



**St. CHARLES PARISH**  
PROCUREMENT

MATTHEW JEWELL  
PARISH PRESIDENT

BRENDA J. CAMPOS  
PROCUREMENT OFFICER

**SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY ST. CHARLES PARISH UNTIL:  
11:00 A.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026**

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL 11:00 A.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026 BY HAND DELIVERY, USPS MAIL OR OTHER COURIER SERVICE TO THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COURTHOUSE, 15045 RIVER ROAD, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, PARISH PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, HAHNVILLE, LA 70057. SHORTLY THEREAFTER BID(S) WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ ALOUD IN THE PARISH COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COURTHOUSE FOR THE:

**HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

According to the Home Rehabilitation Guidelines, Contractors that wish to participate in the Program must complete a Contractor's Application prior to bidding. Contractors who meet the eligibility criteria will be added to the approved Contractors List and invited to Bid. Approved Contractors must pick up a bid package in order to bid. Contractor's Application and detailed specification may be picked up at the office or mailed from Michelle Frangella, Community Service Housing Rehab Specialist, (call before coming); 985-764-7944, Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

**BID MUST BE PLAINLY MARKED ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE:  
"DENOTING APPROPRIATE BID ITEM"**

St. Charles Parish reserves the right to reject any and all bids. These Bid Specifications have been prepared by our offices, Setting forth those items deemed necessary by our Office Personnel. They are not intended to be restrictive or discriminatory in any manner whatsoever.

Community Services  
Allen Arterbury Building  
14564 River Road  
New Sarpy, LA 70078

BID ADVERTISED:  
ST. CHARLES HERALD GUIDE:  
APRIL 9, 2026  
APRIL 16, 2026

**Public Notice**

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING BY THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, ON MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, PARISH COURTHOUSE, 15045 RIVER ROAD, HAHNVILLE:**

**2026-0124** (4/6/26, Jewell)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs and St. Charles Parish for the provision of office space located in the St. Charles Parish Courthouse, 15045 River Road, Hahnville, LA.

**2026-0129** (4/6/26, Jewell)

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Cooperative Agreement with the LSU AgCenter for the continued support of the St. Charles Parish Cooperative Extension Service through November 1, 2030.

**2026-0128** (4/6/26, Jewell, M. Bingham)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of the donation of a thirty (30) foot drainage servitude by Stephen O. Vial and Leon C. Vial, III to St. Charles Parish and to revoke and abandon a fifteen (15) foot drainage servitude granted by Stephen O. Vial and Leon C. Vial, III to St. Charles Parish on April 22, 2013.

**2026-0130** (4/6/26, Jewell, M. Bingham)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between St. Charles Parish and Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board (CPRA), to provide continued Operation, Maintenance, Repair, Replacement, and Rehabilitation (OMRR&R) of the Davis Pond Freshwater Diversion Project (State Project No. BA-0001).

**2026-0132** (4/6/26, Jewell, M. Bingham)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Digital Engineering & Imaging, Inc., to perform engineering services for Willowdale Blvd. Overlay and Widening (Project No. P240602), in the not to exceed amount of \$137,335.00.

**PUBLISH: April 9, 16, 2026**

**Public Notice**

The Towers, LLC is proposing to construct a 195-foot overall height self-supporting lattice telecommunications structure located near 218 Hollywood Park Drive, Montz, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana (30° 1' 56.6" N, 90° 27' 25.5" W). The proposed tower is anticipated to utilize FAA Style E (medium intensity, dual red/white strobes) lighting.

The Towers, LLC invites comments from any interested party on the impact the proposed undertaking may have on any districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, archaeology, engineering, or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Comments may be sent to Environmental Corporation of America, ATTN: Annamarie Howell, 1375 Union Hill Industrial Court, Suite A, Alpharetta, GA 30004 or via email to [publicnotice@eca-usa.com](mailto:publicnotice@eca-usa.com). Ms. Howell can be reached at (770) 667-2040 x 108 during normal business hours. Comments must be received within 30 days of the date of this notice.

Any interested party may request further environmental review of the proposed action under the FCC's National Environmental Policy Act rules, 47 CFR §1.1307, by notifying the FCC of the specific reasons that the action may have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. This request must only raise environmental concerns and can be filed online using the FCC pleadings system at <https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsEntry/pleadings/pleadingsType.jsp> or mailed to FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 45 L Street, Washington, DC 20554 within 30 days of the date of the National Notice as referenced within the Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) application. Mailed pleadings must include a request to waive the electronic filing requirement along with an explanation of why an electronic filing cannot be made. Refer to File No. A1379940 when submitting the request and to view the specific information about the proposed action. 26-000788/DMG

Publish: April 16, 2026

**Public Notice**

We are applying to the Commissioner of Alcohol and Tobacco Control of the State of Louisiana for a permit to sell beverages of Low alcoholic content in the Parish of St. Charles at the following address:

SHENELLS SEAFOOD LLC  
161 CASTLE DRIVE  
EDGARD, LA 70049  
OWNER: SHANTEL CANNON

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Vivian Louis Savage Thomas** or the heirs of **Vivian Louis Savage Thomas**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P. O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Charles H. Savage** or the heirs of **Charles H. Savage**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P. O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Roscoe D'arensbourg** or the heirs of **Roscoe D'arensbourg**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Altonette Ricard Jackson** or the heirs of **Altonette Ricard Jackson**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P. O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **John Thomas Sellers** or the heirs of **John Thomas Sellers**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Matthew F. Montz** or the heirs of **Matthew F. Montz**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P. O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Thomas B. Sellers, Jr.** or the heirs of **Thomas B. Sellers, Jr.**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Abraham Thompson, Sr.**, or the heirs of **Abraham Thompson, Sr.**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Anne Edgeworth Youngs** or the heirs of **Anne Edgeworth Youngs**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Mary Alma Youngs Johnson** or the heirs of **Mary Alma Youngs Johnson**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice****SECTION 00010****ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

The Parish of St. Charles, hereby advertises bids for construction of the **Dog Park, Project Number RECBP219** as follows:

Owner: **St. Charles Parish**

Project Title: **Dog Park**

Project No.: **RECBP219**

Bid No.: **#1050**

Principal Work Location: 801 Deputy Jeff G Watson Drive, Luling, LA 70070

Description of Basic Work: New Dog Park, including restroom, filling, grading, and pavement

Bids: Separate sealed Bids will be received by the ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL RECORDS OFFICE, Parish of St. Charles, 15045 River Road, Courthouse 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Hahnville, Louisiana, 70057, either by registered or certified mail with return receipt requested, or hand delivered, or electronically submitted at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com), **no later than 2:00 p.m. local time on Thursday, May 7, 2026**. Promptly thereafter, the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Council Chambers of the St. Charles Parish Court House. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all Bids in accordance with the Public Bid Law, and to disregard all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids.

Bidding Documents: The Bidding Documents (Contract Documents, Specifications and Drawings) are available to Contractors who are properly licensed in Louisiana or to bona fide suppliers of materials and equipment for purchase and/or review at the office of the Engineer for the contract, Civil & Sports Design Engineering, LLC, Marco J. Juarez, P.E., 14433 River Road, Hahnville, LA 70057.

A payment of \$125.00 in cash or check payable to the Engineer will be required for each complete set of the Bidding Documents. This payment is refundable as provided in the La.R.S.38:2212(D).

Pre-Bid Conference: A Pre-Bid Conference to discuss the scope of the project and the requirements of the Bidding and Contract Documents will be held on **Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. at the Edward A. Dufresne Community Center, 274 Judge Edward Dufresne Parkway, Luling, Louisiana**. Attendance of the Pre-Bid Conference is **Non-Mandatory**.

Each bidder must deposit with his/her bid, security in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond. If the bid is submitted electronically and a certified or cashier's check is used for bid bond, then the actual check shall be delivered to the ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL RECORDS OFFICE, Parish of St. Charles, 15045 River Road, Courthouse 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Hahnville, Louisiana, 70057. Electronic bids shall contain all the same documents that are required in a physically delivered bid.

The outside of the bid envelope must contain the submitting firm's name, Louisiana Contractors License Number, the St. Charles Parish Project Number, and the St. Charles Parish Project Title.

St. Charles Parish is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage all small and minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises to participate in this solicitation.

Any person with disabilities requiring special accommodations must contact the St. Charles Parish Council Office at 985-783-5000 no later than seven (7) days prior to bid opening.

St. Charles Parish Council  
Matthew Jewell, Parish President

Advertisement Source and Dates:

St. Charles Herald Guide  
St. Charles Parish Website  
Central Auction House

Thursday, April 09, 2026  
Thursday, April 16, 2026  
Thursday, April 23, 2026

**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Lucy Lee Youngs Ward** or the heirs of **Lucy Lee Youngs Ward**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Mrs. John Hilda Youngs Craven** or the heirs of **Mrs. John Hilda Youngs Craven**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **James Patrick Youngs** or the heirs of **James Patrick Youngs**, please contact Attorney Wendy J. Williams at 1308 Paul Maillard Road, P.O. Box 1378, Luling, La. 70070 or call (985) 308-0510. Important property rights involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Dashaun Johnson** is asked to contact Orrin A. Marino, Attorney, at (985) 764-1515. Important rights are involved."

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**Public Notice**

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of any heirs of **Virgie Mae Smith** is asked to contact Orrin A. Marino, Attorney, at (985) 764-1515. Important rights are involved."

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**Public Notice**

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **DANIEL R. PRIMA**, please contact Attorney Caitlyn L. Mayer at 504-468-1100 or [caitlyn@bohannanlaw.com](mailto:caitlyn@bohannanlaw.com).

Publish: April 16 & 23, 2026

**Public Notice**

I, **Loretta Mary Robinson**, have been convicted of Abuse of Neglect of Child / Child Abuse, Date of Conviction: 12/20/2016. My address is: 251 Murray Hill Dr, Destrehan, LA 70047.

RACE: Black  
SEX: Female  
DOB: 10/16/1967  
HGT: 5'6"  
WGT: 186  
HAIR COLOR: Black  
EYE COLOR: Brown

PUBLISH: April 9 and 16, 2026

**Sheriff's Sale**

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
**SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**Suit No: (45) 96553-E**  
**Date: Tuesday, March 24, 2026**  
**21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION**  
**vs**  
**TEIRA DESHAY THOMAS A/ KIA TEIRA D. THOMAS A/KIA TEIRA THOMAS AND NELTON MALIK RICHARD A/KIA NELTON M. RICHARD A/K/A NELTON RICHARD GREG CHAMPAGNE, SHERIFF**  
**P.O. Box 426**  
**HAHNVILLE, LA 70057**  
**Parish of ST. CHARLES**  
**29th Judicial District Court**  
**State of Louisiana**

By virtue of and in obedience to a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE directed to me by the Honorable 29TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT in and for the PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, State of Louisiana, dated: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025, in the above entitled and numbered cause, I shall proceed to sell at public auction at the principal front door of the Courthouse of which the Civil District Court of the Parish of St. Charles is held on WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026, at 10:00 A.M., to the last and highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit:

A certain piece, parcel, or tract of land together with all buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, ways, and privileges thereto appertaining, being, lying and situated in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows: PARCEL A2 as shown on a Plan of Resubdivision by Louis J. Gassen, Jr. PLS, dated March 17, 2022, entitled "RESUBDIVISION OF PARCEL A (FUTURE PHASE II) KING'S ESTATES INTO PARCELS A1 & A2 IN SECTIONS 88, 89 & 90, T13S - R20E, ST CHARLES PARISH, LOUISIANA," which Plan of Resubdivision is recorded at Entry No 469573, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana.

And from the proceeds of said sale to pay petitioner by preference over all other claims, the sum of: **FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE AND FORTY-EIGHT (\$54,565.48) DOLLARS**, along with interest and attorney's fees and all other costs including my own costs and charges.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE: CASH IN THE FORM OF A CASHIER'S CHECK DUE BY 2:00 P.M. DAY OF THE SALE. PUBLISH ON: April 16, 2026 May 14, 2026**

**GREG CHAMPAGNE-SHERIFF & EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR**  
**ST. CHARLES PARISH ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: Allison N. Beasley**  
**8235 YMCA Plaza Drive, Suite 400**  
**Baton Rouge, LA 70810**  
**SCSO-CIV-209-0402**

**Sheriff's Sale**

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
**SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**Suit No: (45) 96632-D**  
**Date: Tuesday, February 03, 2026**  
**U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, AS SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST TO U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I TRUST 2006-AQ1, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES SERIES 2006-AQ1**  
**vs**  
**DEJEAN R BETHENCOURT AND THE OPENED SUCCESSION OF WAYNE A. BETHENCOURT AND THE OPENED SUCCESSION OF JOYCE BETHENCOURT AND KEANNA ROSE BETHENCOURT MATHIEU GREG CHAMPAGNE, SHERIFF**  
**P.O. Box 426**  
**HAHNVILLE, LA 70057**  
**Parish of ST.CHARLES**  
**29th Judicial District Court**  
**State of Louisiana**

By virtue of and in obedience to a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE directed to me by the Honorable 29TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT in and for the PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, State of Louisiana, dated:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025, in the above entitled and numbered cause, I shall proceed to sell at public auction at the principal front door of the Courthouse of which the Civil District Court of the Parish of St. Charles is held on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026, at 10:00 A.M., to the last and highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit: ONE CERTAIN LOT OR PORTION OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in Section 2, Township 12 South, Range 20 East and Section 28, Township 13 South, Range 20 East, Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, all as more fully shown on a survey entitled "RIVER PARK ESTATES" drawn by E.M. Collier, C.E. dated October 30, 1967, and according to said plan, the lot that is described herein is as follows:

LOT 29, is bounded by River Park Apartments Property (Louisiana Highway No. 18), River Park Drive, the Southerly Line of the Subdivision and the Easterly Line of the Subdivision, and measures thence 80 feet front on River Park Drive, with a width in the rear of 80.02 feet, with a depth of the side line of Lot 31 of 124.37 feet and a depth on the opposite side lines adjacent to Lot 20 of 125.89 feet. All as more fully shown on a survey by Lucien C. Gassen, Land Surveyor, dated June 27, 1973.

Which has the address of 29 River Park Drive, Hahnville, LA 70057  
And from the proceeds of said sale to pay petitioner by preference over all other claims, the sum of: **EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE AND FORTY (\$83,155.40) DOLLARS**, along with interest and attorney's fees and all other costs including my own costs and charges.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE: CASH IN THE FORM OF A CASHIER'S CHECK DUE BY 2:00 P.M. DAY OF THE SALE. SCSO-CIV-209-0402 PUBLISH ON: March 19, 2026 April 16, 2026**  
**GREG CHAMPAGNE-SHERIFF & EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR**  
**ST. CHARLES PARISH ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: Emily A Mueller**  
**3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 600**  
**Metairie, LA 70002**  
**504-831-7726**  
**SCSO-CIV-209-0402**

**Sheriff's Sale**

SHERIFF'S SALE  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
Suit No: (45) 97100-D  
Date: Wednesday, March 25, 2026  
ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC  
vs  
CHRISTOPHER JONES  
GREG CHAMPAGNE, SHERIFF  
P.O. Box 426  
HAHNVILLE, LA 70057  
Parish of ST. CHARLES  
29th Judicial District Court  
State of Louisiana

By virtue of and in obedience to a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE directed to me by the Honorable 29TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT in and for the PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, State of Louisiana, dated: FRIDAY, MARCH 06, 2026, in the above entitled and numbered cause, I shall proceed to sell at public auction at the principal front door of the Courthouse of which the Civil District Court of the Parish of St. Charles is held on WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026, at 10:00 A.M., to the last and highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit:

One certain lot or portion of ground, together with all of the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, in that part thereof known as Ashton Plantation, Phase 1-C, as shown on a Final Plat by Krebs, LaSalle, LeMieux Consultants, Inc., dated May 10, 2007, entitled "Ashton Plantation, Phase 1-C, in Section 8, T13S - R21E, St Charles Parish, Louisiana", which Final Plat was approved by the St. Charles Parish Council on June 4, 2007 by Ordinance No. 07-6-2, and recorded on June 22, 2007, in COB 693, folio 332, Entry No. 332293 of the official records of St Charles Parish. And according to the aforementioned Final Plat, the property conveyed herein is designated as Lot 31, of Square 8, which bears the dimensions more fully shown on the above-referenced Final Plat. And from the proceeds of said sale to pay petitioner by preference over all other claims, the sum of:

**FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND ONE AND NINETY-SIX (\$443,601.96) DOLLARS**, along with interest and attorney's fees and all other costs including my own costs and charges.  
**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE: CASH IN THE FORM OF A CASHIER'S CHECK DUE BY 2:00 P.M. DAY OF THE SALE. PUBLISH ON: April 16, 2026 May 14, 2026**  
GREG CHAMPAGNE-SHERIFF & EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR  
ST. CHARLES PARISH  
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:  
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**Public Notice**

St. Charles Parish Schools

April 1, 2026 Board Retreat  
04/01/2026 08:30 AM**MEETING MINUTES**

The April 1, 2026, School Board Retreat will begin at 8:30 a.m. and held at the following address:  
Central Office Board Room; 13855 River Road; Luling, LA.

Live Link: <https://youtube.com/live/Nz7WWvBCNCQ?feature=share>

**I. Opening Items****A. Agenda****B. Call to Order**

Board President Scott Cody called the meeting to order.

**C. Roll Call**

All eight school board members, Superintendent Dr. Ken Oertling and Executive Secretary Shelly Babineaux were present.

**II. Business Items****A. Financial Update****Goal D: Resource Allocation**

Chief Financial Officer Adam Neighbors presented a financial update to the Board.

Mr. Neighbors reviewed the Interim budget and referenced two attachments: the department budget process and the school budget process. He explained the processes that will be used moving forward.

Discussions were held regarding future commitments and future budgets. The Superintendent reiterated that personnel, instruction, safety & compliance would remain top priorities. Economically disadvantaged expenses were discussed and clarified. Board member B. Weber recommended a School Office Specialists professional development meeting with principals to review expectations for budget savings. The Superintendent informed the Board that bookkeepers were invited to the recent Principals' meeting. Mr. Alexander asked for specific numbers on interim budget savings, and it was noted that future items in this meeting would cover that. Eisner Amper audit costs were discussed with phases being noted. R. Gregson asked for general funds tracking of expenditures in the calendar year. Debt revision updates were also given by Mr. Neighbors. A budget debt summary of policies and procedures was updated and referenced it for Board review.

**B. Pre-K Expansion Update****Goal A: Student Achievement**

Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Angelle Babin and Director of Early Childhood Nicole Weber presented an update to the Board.

Discussions were held on current applications, 3-year-old special-needs students, early learning centers, school-based 4-year-olds, and the projected total number of students. E. Alexander asked about the maximum number of 4-year-olds accepted and possibly shifting student locations depending on numbers.

**C. Federal Program Update**

Assistant Superintendent Angelle Babin, Executive Director of Human Resources Teresa Brown, and Director of Federal Programs Patricia Smith presented Item II.C to the Board.

Discussions were held on funding & compliance framework, current structures, resources, and flexibility. B. Weber asked about employees who would be moving locations. T. Brown informed Ms. Weber that face-to-face meetings and emails were established with those employees. More details will be addressed in the upcoming HR staffing plan item on today's agenda.

Class size reduction, family center support models, and teacher positions were also discussed. Gifted & Talented, Title I, II & III funding, and ELL Support Structure initiatives were also explained. Updates will be provided to the Board and participating families based on recommendations from the task force meetings. Next steps were presented.

**D. HR Staffing Plan for FY 27**

Executive Director of Human Resources Teresa Brown presented the FY27 Staffing Plan to the Board.

Discussions were held on district staffing overview, school enrollment numbers, notification processes, and current/expected school enrollment. Maximizing current resources, the Phase III organizational alignment, CIA department adjustments, federal programs' realignment, and financial impact summary were reviewed with the Board. The next steps were presented pending board approval for organization and leadership realignment.

Additional items reviewed included parish population effects on our district, categorical changes in special education over the past 5-10 years, and increases or decreases in SPED students across the surrounding school districts. Ms. Brown also gave the current number of vacancies. With SPED numbers increasing, the certification requirements, qualifications, and proactive support systems were discussed. SPED teacher recruiting efforts will be developed at the request of the the Board.

Director of Special Education, Mendy Van Hoven, presented to the Board on SPED & Specialized Programs Support.

**E. FY27 Interim Savings Options****Goal D: Resource Allocation**

Chief Financial Officer Adam Neighbors, Executive Director of Human Resources Teresa Brown, Assistant Superintendents John Rome, Jr. and Angelle Babin presented to the Board. Mr. Neighbors referenced the attachment for review.

Discussions were held regarding current and anticipated future revenues and expenditures, general obligation bonds and other options were presented as well.

Mr. Rome reviewed the reductions and deferrals for Physical Plant Services, Maintenance, Transportation, and Child Nutrition with the Board.

Ms. Teresa Brown discussed Human Resources efforts, including proposed reallocations, new/changed position matrices, utilization of existing positions, and focusing on critical replacements where necessary.

Ms. Babin discussed all CIA initiatives. B. Weber inquired about the continuation of the 7 Mindsets program and requested a future family survey on it. Dr. Oertling confirmed that the program would continue with limitations on training/travel/conferences. Direct Instruction at LES was reviewed.

Mr. Neighbors ensured a systematic approach across all departments and school sites to achieve cost savings and uphold fiscal responsibility.

**F. Ochsner Digital Medicine Follow-Up**

An update of Ochsner Digital Medicine will be given to the Board by Executive Director of Human Resources Teresa Brown and General Counsel & Director of Risk Management and Benefits Darrinisha Gray. Discussions were held regarding the proposal of Ochsner Digital Medicine participants to the UMR Condition Care program as early as June 1, 2026.

R. Gregson repeated his motion given at the March 25, 2026, Board meeting. Dr. Oertling explained that today, as a courtesy to the Board, the cost of a month-to-month program is being presented. Board President S. Cody clarified the Board's request to improve the UMR product. K. Boudreaux discussed the use of the programs and the fact that we are paying for two services with low participation. B. Weber asked that Health Matters include the digital medicine program so employee are more aware.

Dr. Oertling reviewed directions to Administration, which are to help employees become more aware of the program, meet with UMR to enhance the current program, review the 3-year contract, and make any necessary amendments. A true evaluation will be presented to the Board at the June 2026 Board Retreat, with representatives from both plans available to answer questions from the Board.

**G. District Facilities Update**

A District Facilities Update was provided to the Board by Assistant Superintendent of Operations John Rome, Jr., with a summary by Superintendent Dr. Ken Oertling.

J. Rome, Jr. referenced an attachment, which included links to related sites or documents.

Discussions were held on:

- \* Facility Usage with updated fee schedule
- \* ATT property inquiry of JBM and continued negotiations
  - R. Gregson inquired about other carriers and how the contract would read.
  - R. McMillan and M. Dauphin, with the Public Information Department, clarified the fees associated with live-streaming.
  - S. Cody asked for separate rental agreements on the AAA properties
- \* ATMOS property inquiry of LEPC
  - effects of school operations
  - The Board discussed and expressed no interest. ATMOS would have to do neighborhood research.
- \* SCPPS property appraisals
  - Media Center
  - Hahnville Learning Center
  - S. Cody suggested these items go through the Capital Improvements Committee
- \* Trailblazers project update
  - being worked on today
  - Grand opening and ribbon cutting dates after installation is completed
  - Budget for memorial, on track.
- E. Alexander inquired about Landry site additional parking on our property. J. Rome explained that it will be an improvement on our property by the parish as part of our good neighbor agreement.

**III. Closing Items****A. Miscellaneous Items**

The Superintendent discussed the following items with the Board and informed them there will be no middle school retreat.

\* June Board Retreat (Location and Days)

- The contract at Lod Cook was canceled with no penalty
- The Board agreed to have the retreat at Central Office for 1 day only on June 2, 2026, with a sponsor for lunch

\* Lagniappe on the River

- scaled down
- week of early voting
- sponsorships
- The Board agreed on continuing this event with cutting cost; then they didn't
- B. Weber asked to survey the schools on this event
- J. Smith would like costs, data

\* Other Board Member Topics

- E. Alexander inquired about radio station considerations. R. McMillan will investigate the advantages vs. disadvantages. J. Smith said there has to be a process; who is the audience, subscriptions, etc. R. Gregson said he has some experience through the Chamber and will provide insight.

**B. Executive Session**

Motion by K. Boudreaux; second by R. Gregson and unanimously agreed to go into Executive Session per L.R.S. 42:16-17.

**C. Meeting Adjourn**

Motion by K. Boudreaux; second by R. Gregson to adjourn.

Publish: April 16, 2026

**Public Notice**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE MEETING OF MARCH 16, 2026, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED AS AN OFFICIAL EXTRACT OF THE MINUTES IN A PREVIOUS EDITION OF THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL.

**St. Charles Parish****Meeting Minutes****Parish Council****Final****Council Chairman Walter Pilié**

**Councilmembers Michael A. Mobley, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra D. Wilson, Heather Skiba, Willie Comardelle, Michelle O'Daniels, Bob Fisher, Michele deBruler**

Monday, March 16, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Courthouse

**ATTENDANCE**

Present 9 - Michael A. Mobley, Holly Fonseca, La Sandra D. Wilson, Heather Skiba, Walter Pilié, Willie Comardelle, Michelle O'Daniels, Bob Fisher, and Michele deBruler

**Also Present**

Parish President Matthew Jewell, Legal Services Director Corey Oubre, Legal Services Assistant Director Robert Raymond, Chief Administrative Officer Mike Palamone, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Samantha de Castro, Chief Operations Officer Darrin Duhe, Finance Director Grant Dussom, Public Works Director Miles Bingham, Wastewater Director David deGeneres, Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert, Grants Officer Carla Chlason, Risk Management Officer Rachell Champagne, Dayna Parker, Personnel Officer, Michelle Impastato, Council Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm.

**PRAYER / PLEDGE**

Deacon Donnie Hills  
First Baptist Church, Paradise

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of March 2, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

## SPECIAL BUSINESS (PROCLAMATIONS, CANVASS RETURNS, ETC.)

2026-0094

In Memoriam: Jacob M. Dufrene, Sr.

Sponsors: Ms. deBruier

Public comment opened on the deviation; no public comment

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruier, seconded by Councilmember Comardelle, to deviate from the regular order of the agenda to take up File No. 2026-0094; a matter not on the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Deviated

Read

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Skiba, to return to the regular order of the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Returned

2026-0095

In Recognition: Justin Paul Taravella, Eagle Scout

Sponsors: Ms. deBruier

Read

2026-0096

Proclamation: United Way of St. Charles 5K Bridge Run Day in St. Charles Parish

Sponsors: Ms. Wilson

Read

2026-0097

Proclamation: "Child Abuse Prevention Month"

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

2026-0098

Proclamation: "Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Financial Literacy Month"

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié

Read

2026-0099

Proclamation: "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month"

Sponsors: Mr. Mobley

Read

2026-0100

Proclamation: "Need to Feed Month in St. Charles Parish"

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié

Read

2026-0101

Proclamation: "Fair Housing Month in St. Charles Parish"

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

2026-0092

Proclamation: "National Community Development Week"

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Read

## REPORTS (FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES)

2026-0102

St. Charles Community Health Center

Gencie White, Operations Manager, St. Charles Community Health Center, reported.  
Coretta Lagarde, Executive Director, American Heart Association, reported.  
Danielle Barrios, St. Charles Community Health Center Coach, reported.

Reported

2026-0103

Parish President Remarks/Report

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell

Parish President Matthew Jewell reported.

Reported

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION B OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER, CHAIRMAN PILIÉ AUTHORIZES THAT THE ORDINANCES, HAVING BEEN PRESENTED FOR INTRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE PARISH PRESIDENT, AND NOT REJECTED BY TWO-THIRDS OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, ARE TO BE PUBLISHED IN SUMMARY FORM AS FOLLOWS IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL WITH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

2026-0104

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from C-2 to C-3 on property designated as the Lot ADV-3, Block A, Mimosa Park Subdivision, 12429 Highway 90, Luling as requested by Yvette and Joseph Wolford.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

2026-0105

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from M-1 to R-1M on property designated as Lot 19-A, Pecan Grove Plantation Subdivision, 12350 River Road, Destrehan as requested by Anna Nelson for DNA Real Estate, LLC.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Planning & Zoning

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

2026-0106

An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 91-1-6, Traffic Code for St. Charles Parish; to provide for installation of "NO PARKING" decals in Lakewood West Subdivision, Luling.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

2026-0112

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with G.E.C., Inc. to perform engineering services for the School Zone Improvements (Project No. P241101), in the amount not to exceed of \$94,990.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

2026-0113

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 25-5-3, which approved the Professional Services Agreement with Quality Engineering & Surveying for the Ama Park

Renovations (Project No. RECAPR25), in the not to exceed amount of \$25,175.00.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Parks and Recreation

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

2026-0114

An ordinance to enact a MORATORIUM on the permitting, consideration, approval, location, construction, and/or installation of any Data Center facilities for a period of 12 months.

Sponsors: Ms. O'Daniels, Ms. Wilson and Mr. Pilié

Publish/Scheduled for Public Hearing to the Parish Council on April 6, 2026

## ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING (INTRODUCED AT PREVIOUS MEETING)

2026-0082

An ordinance to amend Ordinance 81-10-6, the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, as amended, Appendix A. Section VII. Supplemental use and performance regulations.: *Solar Energy System, Large (LSES)* to add development standards.

Sponsors: Mr. Pilié and Ms. O'Daniels

Reported:

Councilman Pilié Recommended: Approval  
Councilwoman O'Daniels Recommended: Approval  
Planning & Zoning Director Michael Albert spoke on the matter.

Speakers:

Mr. Jeff Arnold, Metairie  
Chairman Pilié spoke on the matter.  
Mr. Arnold spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Council Discussion

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-6

2026-0083

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18 - Personnel, Article I. In General, Section 18-1. Regulations for substance abuse by parish employees.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Personnel Office

Reported:

Personnel Office Recommended: Approval  
Dayna Parker, Personnel Officer, spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-7

2026-0087

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of the purchase and/or expropriation by St. Charles Parish from the owners of a certain 5.72 acre parcel of property described as a portion of Lot 4B, Gassen Estate owned by LR Gassen Holding, LLC, et al located at 400 Hackberry Street in the unincorporated community of Luling, LA on the west bank of the Mississippi River in St. Charles Parish.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Department of Public Works

Reported:

Public Works Department Recommended: Approval  
Legal Services Director Corys Oubre spoke on the matter.  
Public Works Director Miles Bingham spoke on the matter.

Public Hearing Requirements Satisfied

Council Discussion

Mr. Oubre spoke on the matter.  
Mr. Bingham spoke on the matter.  
Parish President Matthew Jewell spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 26-3-8

## RESOLUTIONS

2026-0091

A resolution approving and authorizing St. Charles Parish to submit a FY27 congressionally directed funding request for the Des Allemands Bulkhead Project, for inclusion in the FY27 Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, specifically the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Account.

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval  
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

Council Discussion

Ms. Chiasson spoke on the matter.

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6895

2026-0093

A resolution certifying that St. Charles Parish has complied with the bidding procedures of Louisiana Revised Statutes 38:2211, et. seq., for the construction of the Des Allemands Boat Launch Project (BA-0237).

Sponsors: Mr. Jewell and Grants Office

Reported:

Grants Office Recommended: Approval  
Grants Officer Carla Chiasson spoke on the matter.

Public comment opened; no public comment

VOTE ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6896

## APPOINTMENTS

2026-0016

A resolution appointing Mr. Nick Nassar to the River Parishes Transit Authority.

Sponsors: Mr. Mobley, Ms. Fonseca, Ms. Wilson, Ms. Skiba, Mr. Pilié, Mr. Comardelle, Ms. O'Daniels, Mr. Fisher and Ms. deBruier

VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. NICK NASSAR

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruier

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6897

2026-0045

A resolution appointing Mr. Steven E. Dorand to the St. Charles Parish Planning & Zoning Commission as the District III Representative.

VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. STEVEN E. DORAND

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

Enactment No: 6898

2026-0086

A resolution appointing a member to the St. Charles Parish Communications District representing Emergency Medical Services as requested by the Hospital Service District No. 1, Parish of St. Charles, Board of Commissioners.

Chairman Pilié stated that this item will be deferred to the Monday, April 6th Council Meeting pending receipt of the required nomination.

Deferred

ANNOUNCEMENT

\*\*\*Announcement of Public Meeting\*\*\*

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Monday, April 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor of the St. Charles Parish Courthouse, 15045 River Road, Hahnville, Louisiana, the St. Charles Parish Council plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana to authorize one or more ad valorem taxes therein (Recreation & COA).

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember deBruler, seconded by Councilmember Comardelle, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:36 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 9 - Mobley, Fonseca, Wilson, Skiba, Pilié, Comardelle, O'Daniels, Fisher and deBruler

Nay: 0

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

Michelle Impastato Council Secretary

Publish: April 16, 2026

Public Notice

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ARE AN OFFICIAL EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF ST. CHARLES HELD MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE, LOUISIANA. THE COMPLETE TEXT OF THE ATTACHMENTS TO THESE DOCUMENTS IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AT THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE, COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE.

2026-0105

INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING)

ORDINANCE NO. 26-4-1

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from M-1 to R-1M on property designated as Lot 19-A, Pecan Grove Plantation Subdivision, 12350 River Road, Destrehan as requested by Anna Nelson for DNA Real Estate, LLC.

WHEREAS, Anna Nelson for DNA Real Estate, LLC requests a rezoning from M-1 to R-1M on property designated as Lot 19-A, Pecan Grove Plantation Subdivision, as shown on the survey by J.R. Ruello, PLS, dated December 27, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Department recommended approval of the request; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the request at its regular meeting on March 5, 2026.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. The Zoning Ordinance of 1981 is amended to change the zoning classification from M-1 to R-1M on property designated as Lot 19-A, Pecan Grove Plantation Subdivision, as shown on the survey by J.R. Ruello, PLS, dated December 27, 2023, as requested by Anna Nelson for DNA Real Estate, LLC.

SECTION II. The Department of Planning and Zoning is authorized to amend the Official Zoning Map, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana to reflect this reclassification from M-1 to R-1M on property designated as Lot 19-A, Pecan Grove Plantation Subdivision, as shown on the survey by J.R. Ruello, PLS, dated December 27, 2023, as requested by Anna Nelson for DNA Real Estate, LLC.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the ordinance was declared adopted this 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: Michelle Impastato
SECRETARY: Michelle Impastato
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026

PARISH PRESIDENT: Matthew Jewell
RETD/SECRETARY: April 7, 2026
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY:

2026-0106

INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

ORDINANCE NO. 26-4-2

An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 91-1-6, Traffic Code for St. Charles Parish; to provide for installation of "NO PARKING" decals in Lakewood West Subdivision, Luling.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 91-1-6 amended Ordinance No. 82-10-9 to direct the Department of Public Works to install "NO PARKING" signs at the following locations: WEST SIDE OF LAKEWOOD DRIVE from its intersection with Highway 90 to the end of Lakewood Drive

EAST SIDE OF LAKEWOOD DRIVE from its intersection with Highway 90 to the north property line of 108 Lakewood Drive

and then

from the proposed Second Street to the south property line of 182 Lakewood Drive to the end of Lakewood Drive.; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish now desires to establish a "NO PARKING" zone on both the East and West sides of Lakewood Drive from US 90 to the intersection of East Heather Drive and West Heather Drive; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to establish a bike lane on both sides of Lakewood Drive, within the existing pavement width, between US 90 and to the intersection East Heather Drive and West Heather Drive; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to amend Ordinance No. 91-1-6 by removing the language concerning Lakewood Drive as stated in the first WHEREAS above and replacing it with the following language:

Public Works shall install "NO PARKING" decals on both the East and West side curbs of Lakewood Drive between US 90 and the intersection of East Heather Drive and West Heather Drive.; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish further directs the Department of Public Works to establish bike lanes by installing bike decals along approximately 5,000 feet of the roadway alignment of Lakewood Drive, from the intersection of US 90 and Lakewood Drive to the intersection of East Heather Drive and West Heather Drive and Lakewood Drive on the pavement between the travel lane edge stripe and the curb.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. That Ordinance No. 91-1-6 is amended to establish a "NO PARKING" zone on both the East and West sides of Lakewood Drive between US 90 and the intersection of East Heather Drive and West Heather Drive.

SECTION II. That the Department of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to establish bike lanes by installing bike decals along approximately 5,000 feet of the roadway alignment of Lakewood Drive, from the intersection of US 90 and Lakewood Drive to the intersection of East Heather and West Heather Drive and Lakewood Drive.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:
YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the ordinance was declared adopted the 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: Michelle Impastato
SECRETARY: Michelle Impastato
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026

PARISH PRESIDENT: Matthew Jewell
RETD/SECRETARY: April 7, 2026
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY:

2026-0112

INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

ORDINANCE NO. 26-4-3

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with G.E.C., Inc. to perform engineering services for the School Zone Improvements (Project No. P241101), in the amount not to exceed of \$94,990.00.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 24-12-3 adopted on December 2, 2024, by the St. Charles Parish Council, approved and authorized the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with G.E.C., Inc., to perform consulting work and services for the School Zone Traffic Study (Project No. P241101), in the not to exceed amount of \$79,392.00; and,

WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish desires to bring school zones throughout the Parish into compliance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices; and,

WHEREAS, G.E.C., Inc., has recently completed a traffic study and produced a report containing recommendations for each school zone within the Parish; and,

WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish and G.E.C., Inc., have mutually agreed to move forward with the recommendations provided in the report for the School Zone Improvements (Project No. P241101), in the not to exceed amount of \$94,990.00; and,

WHEREAS, the Professional Services Agreement between St. Charles Parish and G.E.C., Inc., describes the details of the proposed services and compensation.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. That the Professional Services Agreement between St. Charles Parish and G.E.C., Inc., to perform engineering services as required by the Department of Public Works, for the School Zone Improvements (Project No. P241101), in the not to exceed amount of \$94,990.00 is hereby approved and accepted.

SECTION II. That the Parish President is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of St. Charles Parish.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the ordinance was declared adopted the 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: Michelle Impastato
SECRETARY: Michelle Impastato
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026

PARISH PRESIDENT: Matthew Jewell
RETD/SECRETARY: April 7, 2026
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY:

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made and effective as of by and between ST. CHARLES PARISH acting herein by and through its President, who is duly authorized to act on behalf of said Parish, hereinafter called the OWNER, and G.E.C., Inc., a corporation and/or limited liability company acting herein by and through its Contracting Officer, hereinafter called CONSULTANT. Whereas the Owner desires to employ a professional consulting firm to perform consulting work and services for School Zone Improvements, Parish Project No. P241101.

1.0 GENERAL TERMS

The Owner agrees to employ the Consultant and the Consultant agrees to perform professional services required for the project described above. Consultant will conform to the requirements of the Owner and to the standards of the agencies participating with the Owner in the Project. The Consultant will coordinate all work between the Owner and all participating agencies and regulating agencies, if needed. Written authorization to begin different phases of the project will be given to the Consultant by the Owner, including Conceptual, Preliminary Design, Final Design, Bidding Assistance and Construction and Services. The Owner may terminate the Contract by written notification and without cause per Section 11.0 during any phase of the project.

The Consultant shall at all times during this Agreement maintain a valid Louisiana Consulting License and any other applicable licenses necessary for performance of the Project.

All work shall be under the direction of the Owner, and all plans, specifications, etc. shall be submitted to the Owner and all approvals and administration of this contract shall be through the Owner.

2.0 PROJECT

2.1 The Owner hereby contracts with the CONSULTANT to perform all necessary professional services in connection with the project as defined as follows:

School Zone Improvements Parish Project No. P241101

2.2 The Project consist of the scope of services and work as defined in Attachment "A" hereto.

2.3 Consultant shall perform all scope of services and work in accordance with the Schedule as defined in Attachment "B" hereto unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by the parties in writing.

2.4 The Consultant agrees to comply with all Federal, State, and Local Laws and Ordinances applicable to the scope of services and work or in entering any other agreement with any another party to complete the work.

3.0 SERVICES OF CONSULTANT

3.1 Consultant shall provide Owner professional work and services in all phases of the Project to which this Agreement applies and as hereinafter provided to properly plan and execute the work on the project(s) assigned to the Consultant. These services may include but may not be limited to serving as Owner's professional consulting representative for the Project, providing professional consultation and advice, and furnishing customary civil, surveying, geotechnical, structural, mechanical, electrical, instrumentation and control consulting services and construction consulting and inspection.

3.2 Services provided by the Consultant shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted professional consulting practice at the time and the place where the services are rendered.

3.3 Consultant shall obtain from Owner authorization to proceed in writing for each phase of the Project.

3.4 Consultant shall provide minutes of all meetings with St. Charles Parish regarding any phase of the Project.

3.5 Consultant shall provide work and services to complete the project, including all necessary services described herein or usually implied as a prerequisite for the performance of the services whether or not specifically mentioned in this agreement, including attendance by the Consultant at project conferences and public hearings.

3.6 The Phases of the Project, if applicable, are as defined in Attachment "A".

#### 4.0 OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

4.1 Documents including but not limited to plans, specifications, maps, basic survey notes, sketches, charts, computations and all other data prepared or obtained under the terms of this authorization shall become the property of the Owner and shall be made available for Owner's inspection at any time during the Project and, shall be delivered to the Owner prior to termination or final completion of the Contract.

4.2 Consultant may retain a set of documents for its files.

4.3 Reuse of Documents. Any reuse of documents or materials without written authorization or adaptation by Consultant to the specific purpose intended will be at Owner's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Consultant or to Consultant's independent professional associates, subcontractors, and consultants.

4.4 No materials, to include but not limited to reports, maps or other documents produced as a result of this Contract, in whole or in part, shall be available to Consultant for copyright purposes. Any such materials produced as a result of this Contract that might be subject to copyright shall be the property of the Owner and all such rights shall belong to the Owner, and the Owner shall be sole and exclusive entity who may exercise such rights.

#### 5.0 SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICES

The Consultant shall provide, when requested in writing by the Owner, supplementary services not included in the basic work and services.

The compensation to the Consultant for the supplemental services, when performed by the Consultant, shall be in the form of a lump sum, billable hours, or "not to exceed" hourly rate which is mutually agreeable to the Owner and the Consultant in writing.

Such supplementary services may include the following:

- A. Soil investigations
- B. Laboratory inspection of materials and equipment
- C. Right-of-Way, easement and property acquisition surveys, plats, maps and documents
- D. Any major revisions for which the Consultant is not responsible, that are authorized by the Owner after the completion and approval of either the preliminary or final plans and specifications
- E. Services concerning replacement of any work damaged by fire or other causes during construction
- F. Services made necessary by the default of the contractor in the performance of the construction contract
- G. Services as an expert witness in connection with court proceedings
- H. Traffic consulting if necessary
- I. Topographic Survey
- J. Preparation of Environmental Assessment documents and/or Environmental Permits
- K. If all or part of the work is to be financed by a Federal or State Grant, the Consultant shall assist the Owner in the preparation of the Grant application and with the Grant Administration, unless otherwise specifically agreed upon previously herein.

#### 6.0 DEFECTIVE WORK

During such visits and on the basis of such observations, Consultant may disapprove of or reject Contractor's work while it is in progress if Consultant believes that such work will not produce a completed Project that conforms generally to the Contract Documents or that it will prejudice the integrity of the design concept of the Project as reflected in the Contract Documents

#### 7.0 NOTICE TO PROCEED

The Owner shall notify the Consultant in writing to undertake the services stated in this Agreement, and the Consultant shall commence the services within ten (10) days after receipt of such notification.

If the Owner desires to divide the Project into various parts, a Notice to Proceed shall be issued for each part, and the Owner and the Consultant shall mutually agree upon the period of time within which services for each part of the Project shall be performed.

The Consultant will be given time extensions for delays beyond their control or for those caused by tardy approvals of work in progress by various official agencies, but no additional compensation shall be allowed for such delays.

#### 8.0 PAYMENTS

8.1 Owner shall pay Consultant for the performance of work and services as outlined in Attachment "C" to this Agreement.

8.2 Payment for Consultant work and services on projects that do not require construction services, such as feasibility studies or drainage studies, shall be made based upon Consultant's estimate of the proportion of the services actually completed at the time of billing and shall be made in partial payments at monthly intervals.

8.3 If the Project, or any portion thereof, is not completed for any reason, the final fee for consulting work and services shall be negotiated between Owner and Contractor. If the final fee for work and services is not mutually agreed upon, either party may elect in writing to submit the dispute to mediation. If mediation is not mutually agreed upon, written notice will be submitted to the other party of the intent to submit the dispute to the 29<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of St. Charles Parish, State of Louisiana.

8.4 If authorized in writing by Owner, for the performance of, or for obtaining from others Additional Services which are not considered normal or customary consulting, the Owner shall pay Consultant based on monthly invoices submitted by the Consultant, within sixty (60) days of receipt of Consultant's invoice. Consultant shall provide written notice to Owner when no services or work have been performed during a given month.

8.5 For Additional Authorized Services provided by the Consultant such as, but not limited to, wetlands permitting, land and right-of-way acquisition, surveying, NPDES and LADEQ permit renewal or acquisition work, etc. Owner shall pay Consultant based on an agreed upon hourly rate(s) between the Owner and Consultant. Payment shall be not-to-exceed based on hourly rates and actual hours worked.

8.6 The following documentation shall be required for payment to Consultant and shall be attached to the monthly invoice.

- a. A copy of the Owner's written authorization to perform the service.
- b. Timesheets for all hours invoiced.
- c. Invoice copies, logs or other substantiation of non-salary expenses.

8.7 For Additional Authorized Services that Consultant acquires from subcontractors and/or subconsultants, Owner shall pay Consultant a fixed sum previously agreed upon by Owner and Consultant, such sum to be established in each case when the scope of the work involved has been determined and before any of the Additional Services are provided. The use of subcontractors and/or subconsultants shall be subject to the provisions set forth in this Agreement. The following documentation shall be required for payment to Consultant and shall be attached to the monthly invoice:

- a. A copy of the Owner's written consent for the subcontractor and/or subconsultant to perform the service stating the Owner's and Consultant's agreed upon fixed sum established for the service performed.
- b. Evidence that the subcontractor and/or subconsultant is insured as required by this Agreement.

8.8 For *Supplementary Services* described in Section 5, Owner shall pay Consultant for the fee negotiated at the time the work is assigned by the method stipulated in the contract amendment.

#### 9.0 BUDGET LIMITATIONS

The construction budget for this Project shall be determined by the Owner, and the Consultant shall be advised of the budget limitation in writing by the Owner and the Consultant shall indicate his acceptance of same in writing to the Owner. Any subsequent budget revisions shall be confirmed in writing.

If, at the completion of the Preliminary or Design Phase, the Consultant does not concur with the construction budget, he shall so notify the Owner, and the Consultant and Owner shall mutually agree on a revised construction budget prior to any work on the Design Phase.

If no bid is received within the budget limitation and a redesign of the project if required by the Owner, such redesign shall be accomplished by the Consultant at no additional cost to the Owner, provided, however, if the receipt of bids are, for any reason, delayed beyond a period of six (6) months from the date of the completion of the Design Phase the amount

stated as the construction budget shall be adjusted, immediately prior to the time bids are received, by use of a construction cost index acceptable to both parties of this agreement.

#### 10.0 FUNDS

No work shall be authorized until funds are established for each individual task.

#### 11.0 TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION

11.1 This Agreement may be terminated for any reason by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice.

11.2 The Consultant, upon receipt of such notice, shall immediately discontinue all services in connection with the performance of this Agreement and shall proceed to cancel promptly all existing orders and contracts insofar as such orders or contracts are chargeable to this Agreement.

11.3 The Consultant shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of notice of termination, submit a statement showing in detail the services performed and payments received under this Agreement to the date of termination.

11.4 The Owner shall then pay the Consultant promptly that portion of the prescribed fee to which both parties agree.

11.5 Consultant fully acknowledges that no payment will be made for any work performed or expenses incurred after receipt of the termination by either party unless mutually agreed upon in writing.

11.6 Failure to meet agreed delivery dates or authorized extensions are considered substantial failures and breach of this contractual agreement by Consultant.

11.7 This agreement shall automatically terminate upon satisfactory completion of all services and obligations described herein or three (3) years from the date of its execution, whichever event occurs first.

#### 12.0 NON-APPROPRIATION CLAUSE

Notwithstanding any other provision of this AGREEMENT, if the Owner does not receive the sufficient funds to fund this AGREEMENT and other obligations of St. Charles Parish, if funds are de-appropriated, or if the Owner does not receive legal authority to expend funds from the St. Charles Parish Council, then the Owner is not obligated to make payment under this AGREEMENT.

#### 13.0 INSURANCE

13.1 The Consultant shall secure and maintain at his expense such insurance that will protect him and the Owner, from claims under Workmen's Compensation Acts and from claims for bodily injury, death or property damage which may arise from performance of services under this Agreement. Insurance for bodily injury or death shall be in the unencumbered amount of \$1,000,000.00 for one person and not less than \$1,000,000.00 for all injuries and/or deaths resulting from any one occurrence. The insurance for property damage shall be in the unencumbered amount of \$1,000,000.00 for each accident and not less than \$1,000,000.00 aggregate.

13.2 The CONSULTANT shall also secure and maintain at his expense professional liability insurance in the unencumbered sum of \$1,000,000.00.

13.3 All certificates of insurance SHALL BE FURNISHED TO THE OWNER and shall provide that insurance shall not be cancelled without ten (10) days prior written notice to the Owner. The Owner may examine the policies.

13.4 CONSULTANT shall include all subconsultants as insured under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates for each. All coverages for subconsultants shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein.

13.5 CONSULTANT shall secure and maintain at its expense Comprehensive Automobile Liability - Bodily Injury Liability \$1,000,000.00 each person: \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence. Property Damage Liability \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence. The Comprehensive Automobile Liability policy must have coverage for loading and unloading and must include owned, hired and leased autos.

13.6 St Charles Parish shall be named as an additional insured on general liability insurance policies.

13.7 For all purposes under Louisiana law, the principals of this Contract shall be recognized as the statutory employer of all contract employees as provided in LSA-R.S. 23:1061.

13.8 Insurance policies shall be endorsed to provide for a waiver of subrogation in favor of St. Charles Parish for worker's compensation policies. The certificate of insurance shall reference the waiver of subrogation endorsement.

13.9 The Worker's Compensation Policy Territory Coverage must include Louisiana.

#### 14.0 INDEMNIFICATION

Consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner, its employees, agents and representatives, against any and all claims, demands, suits or judgments for sums of money to any party for loss of life or injury or damages to person or property growing out of, resulting from or by any reason of any negligent act by the Consultant, its employees, agents, servants or representatives, while engaged upon or in connection with the services required or performed hereunder.

#### 15.0 WARRANTY

15.1 Consultant warrants that it will perform its design services with the degree of skill and to the standard of care required of the consulting profession to meet all Federal, State and Local requirements.

15.2 If Consulting Services for project designed by Consultant does not meet those requirements noted herein above, then to the extent that this occurs as a direct result of Consultant's failure to meet the standard of care in its design services, Consultant will indemnify the Parish for Consultant's share of the costs incurred to bring Consulting Services for project to the limitations mandated.

15.3 The obligations expressed in Section 14 above in no way limit the Consultant's obligations expressed elsewhere in this Contract.

#### 16.0 EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION AND VENUE

For all claims arising out of or related to this agreement, CONSULTANT hereby consents and yields to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, and expressly waives any (a) pleas of jurisdiction based upon Consultant's residence and (b) right of removal to Federal Court based upon diversity of citizenship.

#### 17.0 COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS

CONSULTANT further agrees to comply with all federal and state laws, including those identified in Attachment "D" (if applicable).

#### 18.0 CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH LA R.S. 38:2216.1 & 39:1602.2

In accordance with La R.S. 38:2216.1 and 39:1602.2, Contractor agrees that it does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association based solely on the entity's or association's status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association. Further, Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association during the term of the contract based solely on the entity's or association's status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

#### 19.0 OTHER

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. There are no understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written, not specified within this Agreement. This Agreement may not be modified, supplemented or amended in any manner, except by written agreement signed by both parties.

WHEREOF, the parties to these presents have hereunto caused these presents to be executed the day, month and year first above mentioned.

G.E.C., INC.

ST. CHARLES PARISH

By:

By:

Name: Many Heymann

Name:

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT "A"**

School Zone Improvements  
 Parish Project No. P241101

**Project Scope:**

CONSULTANT shall perform the scope of services described in the following paragraphs. Some paragraphs identified are not applicable to the scope of services requested by OWNER and are identified as such.

CONSULTANT is to expand upon a recently completed School Zone Traffic Study and implement the recommendations produced from the study. Basic Services shall include design, bidding, and construction administration. Supplemental services will include resident inspection, and permitting.

**CONCEPTUAL PHASE – NOT APPLICABLE**

Upon written authorization from OWNER, CONSULTANT shall:

- a. Consult with OWNER to define and clarify OWNER's requirements for the Project, including design objectives and constraints, permits, capacity and performance requirements, flexibility, expandability, and any budgetary limitations, and identify available data, reports, facilities plans, site evaluations, etc.; required for design.
- b. Identify potential solution(s) to meet OWNER's Project requirements, as needed. Study and evaluate the potential solution(s) to meet OWNER's Project requirements.
- c. Visit the Site, or potential Project sites, as needed, to review existing conditions and facilities.
- d. Develop a scope of work for additional professional services (i.e. survey, geotech, etc.) necessary for design.
- e. Prepare a report (the "Report") which will, as appropriate, contain schematic layouts, sketches, and conceptual design criteria with appropriate exhibits to indicate the agreed-to requirements, considerations involved, and CONSULTANT's recommended solution(s). For each recommended solution, CONSULTANT will provide the following, to include; but not limited to:
  1. Opinion of probable Construction Cost;
  2. The estimated total costs of design, professional, and related services to be provided by CONSULTANT and its SUBCONSULTANTS;
  3. A tabulation of other items and services included within the definition of Total Project Costs.
- f. Furnish three review copies of the Report to OWNER as well as submitting electronically to appropriate parties specified by OWNER. CONSULTANT's services under the Conceptual Phase will be considered complete on the date when CONSULTANT has delivered to OWNER the final Conceptual Report.

**PART 1 – BASIC SERVICES**

**A. PRELIMINARY DESIGN PHASE**

Upon written acceptance by OWNER of the Conceptual Report, selection by OWNER of a recommended solution, and upon written authorization from OWNER, CONSULTANT shall:

- a. Prepare Preliminary Design Phase documents consisting of final design criteria, preliminary drawings, and outline specifications. Visit the Site, as needed, to prepare the Preliminary Design Phase documents.
- b. Coordinate all surveys and other investigations (see Additional Services) as may be required to prepare construction plans. Investigations and/or surveys shall locate existing utilities (private and public) affected by the project and shall locate and define such utilities sufficiently in the event that utilities have to be relocated.
- c. Prepare a program of borings and other soil investigations that may be required.
- d. Provide written notice to all utility companies (private and public) about the project and request utility "as-built" information from them.
- e. Advise OWNER if additional reports, data, information, and/or services not already identified in the Conceptual Phase which are necessary and assist OWNER in obtaining such reports, data, information, and/or services.
- f. Based on the information contained in the Preliminary Design Phase documents, prepare a revised opinion of probable Construction Cost.
- g. Obtain and review OWNER's contract documents and OWNER specifications for inclusion within the final contract, plans and specifications. CONSULTANT shall also consult with OWNER in regards to OWNER policies and practices in regard to contract administration and construction management.
- h. Furnish three review copies of the Preliminary Design Phase documents and revised opinion of probable Construction Cost to OWNER as well as submitting electronically to appropriate parties specified by OWNER. CONSULTANT's services under the Preliminary Design Phase will be considered complete on the date when CONSULTANT has delivered to OWNER the final Preliminary Design Phase documents and opinion of probable Construction Cost.

**B. FINAL DESIGN PHASE**

Upon written acceptance by OWNER of the final Preliminary Design Phase documents and upon written authorization from OWNER, CONSULTANT shall:

- a. Prepare Final Drawings and Specifications indicating the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed and furnished by CONTRACTOR.
- b. These Drawings shall include locations of all utilities affected, with ownership and rights-of-way where required. The existing and ownership of any existing utilities shall be determined by contacting each utility provider in writing to obtain such records as may be available and information from the survey. Coordinate with said utility companies on the adjustment, relocation, or removal of existing utility lines and structures within the project that are in conflict with the proposed improvements.
- c. Visit the Site as needed to assist in preparing the Final Drawings and Specifications.
- d. Prepare necessary applications for permits for submission for approval of local, state, and federal authorities.
- e. Prepare a detailed Final Cost Estimate.
- f. Furnish for review by OWNER three copies of the Final Drawings, Specifications, and Cost Estimate as well as submitting electronically to appropriate parties specified by OWNER. OWNER shall submit to CONSULTANT any comments regarding the furnished items, and any instructions for revisions. CONSULTANT's services under the Final Design Phase will be considered complete on the date when CONSULTANT has delivered to OWNER the Final Drawings, Specifications, and Cost Estimate.

**C. BID PHASE**

Upon acceptance by OWNER of the Final Drawings, Specifications, the most recent opinion of probable Construction Cost, and upon written authorization by OWNER to proceed, CONSULTANT shall:

- a. Assist OWNER in advertising for and obtaining bids or proposals for the Work, assist OWNER in issuing assembled design, contract, and bidding-related documents to prospective CONTRACTORS, and, where applicable, maintain a record of prospective CONTRACTORS to which documents have been issued, pre-bid conferences, if any, and receive and process CONTRACTOR deposits or charges for the issued documents.
- b. Prepare and issue Addenda as appropriate to clarify, correct, or change the issued documents.
- c. Consult with OWNER as to the qualifications of prospective CONTRACTORS. Consult with OWNER as to the qualifications of Subcontractors, suppliers, and other individuals and entities proposed by prospective CONTRACTORS, for those portions of the Work as to which review of qualifications is required by the issued documents.

- d. If the issued documents require, CONSULTANT shall evaluate and determine the acceptability of "or equals" and substitute materials and equipment proposed by prospective CONTRACTORS.
- e. Attend the bid opening, prepare bid tabulation sheets and recommendation of award to meet OWNER's schedule, and assist OWNER in evaluating bids or proposals, assemble final contracts for the Work for execution by OWNER and CONTRACTOR, and in issuing notices of award of such contracts.
- f. The Bid Phase will be considered complete upon commencement of the Construction Phase.

**D. CONSTRUCTION PHASE**

Upon successful completion of the Bid Phase and upon written authorization from OWNER, CONSULTANT shall:

- a. Prepare formal contract documents for the execution of the construction contract.
- b. Pre-Construction Conference: Participate in a pre-construction conference prior to commencement of Work at the Site.
- c. Establish construction monuments, project baseline, and benchmarks as necessary.
- d. Coordinate with owners of utilities for relocation of their facilities to clear the site for construction.
- e. Require and review tests of materials necessary for the project.
- f. Verify and approve CONTRACTOR's Applications for Payment and schedules (Progress Schedules, Schedule of Submittals, and Schedule of Values) and submit to the OWNER.
- g. Prepare progress reports for the OWNER when requested and coordinate monthly progress meetings between OWNER, CONTRACTOR, CONSULTANT, and inspector, as necessary throughout the duration of the project.
- h. Review shop drawings and sampled for conformance with the design concept of the project and for compliance with the result required in the Contract Documents. Evaluate and determine the acceptability of substitute or "or-equal" materials and equipment proposed by CONTRACTOR.
- i. Prepare all necessary documentation required for construction RFIs (Requests for Information/Interpretation), Change Orders, and Work Change Directives.
- j. Attend Council meetings and other meetings necessary to discuss issues associated with the project.
- k. Record Drawings: The CONSULTANT shall furnish reproducible "RECORD" drawings, based on information provided by the CONTRACTOR, both printed on full size paper as well as electronically via AutoCAD.
- l. Receive from CONTRACTOR, review, and transmit to OWNER maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates or other evidence of insurance required by the Construction Contract Documents.
- m. Make visits to the Site at intervals appropriate to the various stages of construction, as CONSULTANT deems necessary, to observe as an experienced and qualified design professional the progress of CONTRACTOR's executed Work.
- n. Perform Substantial Completion walk through, generate Substantial Completion recommendation and accompanying Punch List. Perform final inspection and make a recommendation for acceptance.
- o. The Construction Phase will commence with the execution of the Notice of Intent to Award for the Project and will terminate upon written recommendation by CONSULTANT for final payment to CONTRACTORS.

**PART 2 – ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

**A. SURVEY – NOT APPLICABLE**

CONSULTANT shall obtain a contract with a Licensed Professional Surveyor to complete the work as outlined in the scope of survey work the CONSULTANT developed in the Preliminary Design Phase of the project. The survey's purpose is to locate all existing features both manmade and natural, above ground and subsurface within the project limits. The survey shall include the following elements:

1. Established baselines and temporary benchmarks along the project corridor and specified datums used,
2. Utilities as shown after contacting Louisiana One Call,
3. Descriptions, locations, depths, and sizes of all pipes within the project,
4. Descriptions, locations, diameters of all trees within the project,
5. Ground elevations within the project limits to properly develop contours,
6. Locations of all buildings, fences, and other structures,
7. Cross sections along roadways at 100-foot intervals minimum,
8. Cross sections along ditches at 50-foot intervals minimum,
9. Locations of all apparent rights-of-way and servitudes.

Survey shall be submitted to the Parish both in PDF and CAD format.

**Data Collection and Processing:**

1. Spatial data collected for projects shall be referenced to the updated NAD83 and NAVD88 reference datums established by NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration). Monumentation shall be set in an area outside the construction limits so as not to be disturbed during the construction phase. Existing control monumentation located within the vicinity may be used in lieu of setting new monuments. Field observations data must be processed and delivered to the Parish and comply with the specific deliverables requirements defined below.

**Project Control:**

1. Information on project control monuments that are applicable to the survey/project limits shall be provided by contractors, designers, engineers, or surveyors. This documentation should be labeled or clearly defined as Datum and Control.
2. Monument documentation must include source documentation such as Report of Survey Mark or NGS (National Geodetic Survey) Data Sheet and should remain in its original format as well as retain its original name as provided by the source. Monument maps may be scanned and the electronic scan treated as the source. PDF is the preferred format for scanned monument maps, although jpg and tif files are also acceptable.
3. All existing monuments used in the establishment of the project control network must have documentation as described above.
4. The Surveyor shall acquire the elevation and datum of all bench marks to be used in the survey. The elevation used shall be based on the updated NAD83 and NAVD88 reference datums.

**Survey Data Deliverables:**

1. A complete survey package as described below must be submitted by assembling all the appropriate electronic information used to conduct the survey. These documents should indicate the following (where applicable) for project control monuments:
  - a. Designation - the "name" of the mark used.
  - b. CORS Identifier - the mark is either a Continuously Operational Reference Station (CORS) or is associated with one.
  - c. PID - Permanent Identifier
  - d. GEOID – Geoid model used (ex. 12B)
  - e. Epoch – ex. 2010
  - f. Latitude/Longitude – X,Y; Northing/Easting; State Plane Louisiana South FIPS1702 (Feet)
  - g. Orthometric Height – Z (Feet)
  - h. Horizontal Datum – ex. coordinates in North American Datum (NAD 1983)
  - i. Vertical Datum – ex. North American Vertical Datum (NAVD 88) elevation (if measured)
  - j. Horizontal and vertical accuracy

- k. Units
- l. Scale factor

**B. GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION – NOT APPLICABLE**

CONSULTANT shall obtain a contract with a Licensed Louisiana Geotechnical firm to complete the work as outlines in the scope of geotechnical work the CONSULTANT developed in the Preliminary Design Phase of the project. The geotechnical investigation purpose is to determine the properties of the soil in the project area. The geotechnical investigation shall include the following elements:

1. (1) one to (2) two undisturbed soil borings located within proximity to the project location
2. The borings are to be classified and analyzed as necessary in accordance with accepted industry practices for foundation design
3. Subsurface exploration data to include soil profile, exploration logs, lab or in-situ test results, and ground water conditions
4. Engineering recommendations for design such as pile depth, sheet pile design, etc. and recommendations to be project specific
5. The boreholes are to be backfilled and road surfaces patched in accordance with DOTD requirements (Purple book or later).

**C. PERMITTING**

CONSULTANT shall develop permit drawings, applications, supporting information and obtain all permits as required for the project, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Wetland Delineation, submitting for a Jurisdictional Determination of any wetlands
2. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Section 404 permit)
3. LA Wildlife & Fisheries (Scenic Rivers permit)
4. LA Department of Health (LDH)
5. LA Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ)
6. Cultural Resources
7. Railroad Permitting

CONSULTANT shall also attend permit meetings as necessary and address all questions and comments received from any agency to ensure receipt of all necessary approvals.

**D. RESIDENT PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE (RPR)**

CONSULTANT shall furnish a Resident Project Representative ("RPR"), at the request of the OWNER to assist CONSULTANT in observing progress and quality of the Work. The RPR may provide full time representation or may provide representation to a lesser degree. RPR is CONSULTANT's representative at the Site and will act as directed by and under the supervision of CONSULTANT.

The duties and responsibilities of the RPR are as follows:

1. RPR's dealings in matters pertaining to the Work in general shall be with CONSULTANT and CONTRACTOR. RPR's dealings with Subcontractors shall only be through or with the full knowledge and approval of CONTRACTOR. RPR shall generally communicate with OWNER only with the knowledge of and under the direction of CONSULTANT.
2. Review the progress schedule, schedule of Shop Drawing and Sample submittals, schedule of values, and other schedules prepared by CONTRACTOR and consult with CONSULTANT concerning acceptability of such schedules.
3. Attend meetings such as preconstruction conferences, progress meetings, job conferences, and other Project-related meetings.
4. Comply with Site safety programs.
5. Serve as CONSULTANT's liaison with CONTRACTOR. Assist CONSULTANT in serving as OWNER's liaison with CONTRACTOR when CONTRACTOR's operations affect OWNER's On-Site operations.
6. Report to CONSULTANT whenever RPR believes that any part of the Work is defective under the terms and standards set forth in the Construction Contract Documents and provide recommendations as to whether such Work should be corrected, removed, and replaced, or accepted as provided in the Construction Contract Documents.
7. Verify that tests, equipment, and systems start-ups and operating and maintenance training are conducted in the presence of appropriate OWNER's personnel, and that CONTRACTOR maintains adequate records thereof. Observe, record, and report to CONSULTANT appropriate details relative to the test procedures and systems start-ups.
8. Prepare a daily report or keep a diary or log book, recording CONTRACTOR's hours on the Site, Subcontractors present at the Site, weather conditions, data relative to questions of Change Orders, Field Orders, Work Change Directives, or changed conditions, Site visitors, deliveries of equipment or materials, daily activities, decisions, observations in general, and specific observations in more detail as in the case of observing test procedures; and send copies to CONSULTANT.
9. Immediately inform CONSULTANT of the occurrence of any Site accidents, emergencies, acts of God endangering the Work, possible force majeure or delay events, damage to property by fire or other causes, or the discovery of any potential differing site condition or Constituent of Concern.
10. Review applications for payment with CONTRACTOR for compliance with the established procedure for their submission and forward with recommendations to CONSULTANT, noting particularly the relationship of the payment requested to the schedule of values, Work completed, and materials and equipment delivered at the Site but not incorporated in the Work.
11. Participate in CONSULTANT's and OWNER's visits to the Site regarding Substantial Completion, assist in the determination of Substantial Completion, and prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Substantial Completion submit a punch list of observed items requiring completion or correction.
12. Observe whether all items on the final punch list have been completed or corrected and make recommendations to CONSULTANT concerning acceptance.
13. Resident Project Representative shall not:
  - a. Authorize any deviation from the Construction Contract Documents or substitution of materials or equipment (including "or-equal" items).
  - b. Undertake any of the responsibilities of CONTRACTOR, Subcontractors, or Suppliers.
  - c. Advise on, issue directions relative to, or assume control over any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of the Work, by CONTRACTOR.
  - d. Advise on, issue directions regarding, or assume control over security or safety practices, precautions, and programs in connection with the activities or operations of OWNER or CONTRACTOR.

**ATTACHMENT "B"**

School Zone Improvements  
Parish Project No. P241101

**Project Schedule:**

CONSULTANT shall complete the following phases of the project within the number of days shown after the issuance of the Notice to Proceed:

	Number of Days to Complete
Design	30
Permitting	60

**Time for Completion**

1. If, through no fault of CONSULTANT, such periods of time or dates are changed, or the orderly and continuous progress of CONSULTANT's services is impaired, or CONSULTANT's services are delayed or suspended, then the time for completion of CONSULTANT's services shall be adjusted equitably.
2. If OWNER authorizes changes in the scope, extent, or character of the Project or CONSULTANT's services, then the time for completion of CONSULTANT's

services shall be adjusted equitably.

3. If CONSULTANT fails, through its own fault, to complete the performance required in this Agreement within the time set forth, as duly adjusted, then OWNER shall be entitled, as its sole remedy, to the recovery of direct damages, if any, resulting from such failure.

**ATTACHMENT "C"**

School Zone Improvements  
Parish Project No. P241101

OWNER shall pay CONSULTANT on a Lump Sum basis for Basic Services set forth in Attachment A as follows:

- e. The total compensation for basic services as described in Attachment A is estimated to be \$42,750.00.
- f. CONSULTANT may, with OWNER's consent, alter the distribution of compensation between individual phases of the Work noted herein to be consistent with services actually rendered, but shall not exceed the total estimated compensation amount unless approved in writing by OWNER.
- g. The amounts billed for CONSULTANT's services under this Agreement will be based on the cumulative hours charged to the Project during the billing period by each class of CONSULTANT's employees times Standard Hourly Rates for each applicable billing class, plus CONSULTANT's SUBCONSULTANT's charges.
- h. The Standard Hourly Rates charged by CONSULTANT constitute full and complete compensation for CONSULTANT's services, including labor costs, overhead, and profit; the Standard Hourly Rates do not include CONSULTANT's SUBCONSULTANT's charges.
- i. CONSULTANT's Standard Hourly Rates are attached to this Agreement as Attachment C-1.

OWNER shall pay CONSULTANT on a Lump Sum basis for Additional Services set forth in Attachment A as follows:

- j. Permitting \$10,000.00

OWNER shall pay CONSULTANT for Resident Project Representative Basic Services as follows:

1. Resident Project Representative Services: For services of CONSULTANT's Resident Project Representative, if requested, as outlined in Part 2.D of Attachment A, a total amount of \$42,240.00, at the hourly rate as listed in Attachment C-1.
2. Resident Project Representative Schedule: The total amount set forth above is based on full-time RPR services on an eight-hour workday Monday through Friday over a 90-day construction schedule.

**Attachment C-1**

G.E.C., Inc.  
8287 Goodwood Blvd.  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806  
(225) 612-3000 Fax (225) 612-3015

**GEC 2025 Rate Schedule Per Classification**

Classification	Rate Per Hour
Administrative	115
Biologist	110
CADD Technician	95
CADD Technician - Senior	150
Clerical	100
Economist	125
Economist - Senior	185
Engineer - Aide	105
Engineer - Intern	125
Engineer - Professional	170
Engineer - Senior Professional	210
Engineer - Supervisor	250
Environmental Technician	105
Environmental Scientist	140
Environmental Scientist - Senior	210
Geologist	125
Geologist - Senior	215
GIS Analyst	100
Inspector	75
Inspector - Certified	95
Inspector - Lead	100
ITS Technician	90
ITS Technician - Lead	120
Planner	125
Principal	315
Project Office Manager	100
Project Manager	225
Project Manager - Senior	250
Supervisor - Other	250
Technician	100
Technician - Senior	145

**2026-0113**

**INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION)**

**ORDINANCE NO. 26-4-4**

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 25-5-3, which approved the Professional Services Agreement with Quality Engineering & Surveying for the Ama Park Renovations (Project No. RECAPR25), in the not to exceed amount of \$25,175.00.

**WHEREAS,** Ordinance No. 25-5-3 adopted on May 5, 2025, by the St. Charles Parish Council, approved and authorized the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Quality Engineering & Surveying for engineering services for the Ama Park Renovations, in the amount not to exceed \$85,150.00; and,

**WHEREAS,** St. Charles Parish plans to improve the overall experience for our residents when they visit and utilize Ama Park by adding a cover to the new basketball court and will allow residents to utilize the basketball court during inclement weather and provide shade on hot sunny days; and,

**WHEREAS,** St. Charles Parish and Quality Engineering & Surveying have mutually agreed to increase the fees by \$25,175.00 for the work of the basketball court cover, which increases the overall contract value to not to exceed \$110,325.00.

**THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:**

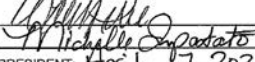
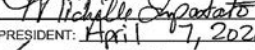
**SECTION I.** That Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement between St. Charles Parish and Quality Engineering & Surveying, in the not to exceed amount of \$25,175.00, is hereby approved and accepted.


**SECTION II.** That the Parish President is hereby authorized to execute said Amendment on behalf of St. Charles Parish.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the ordinance was declared adopted this 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN:   
SECRETARY:   
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026  
APPROVED:  DISAPPROVED:

PARISH PRESIDENT: Matthew Jewell  
RETD: SECRETARY: April 7, 2026  
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY: 

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR AMA PARK RENOVATIONS (PARISH PROJECT RECAPR25)

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 1 is made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_

BY AND BETWEEN:

ST. CHARLES PARISH, represented herein by its duly authorized Parish President, Matthew Jewell, (hereafter sometimes referred to as "OWNER"), and

QUALITY ENGINEERING & SURVEYING represented herein by Deric J. Murphy, duly authorized by Corporate Resolution attached hereto (hereafter sometimes referred to as "Engineering Services"):

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 25-5-3, adopted on May 5, 2025, by the St. Charles Parish Council, approved and authorized the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Quality Engineering & Surveying, to perform engineering services for the Ama Park Renovations (Project No.RECAPR25), in the not to exceed amount of \$85,150.00; and,

WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish plans to improve the overall experience for our residents when they visit and utilize Ama Park by adding a cover to the new basketball court and will allow residents to utilize the basketball court during inclement weather and provide shade on hot sunny days; and,

WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish and Quality Engineering & Surveying have mutually agreed to increase the fees by \$25,175.00 for the work of the basketball court cover, which increases the overall contract value to not to exceed \$110,325.00.

Changes to the Contract Attachments are as follows:

ATTACHMENT "A"

Scope changes/additions are as follows:

Provide stamped construction documents and specifications for the cover for the new basketball court for Ama Park Renovations. This will also cover Preliminary / Schematic Design, Design Development, Construction Documents, Bidding and Contract Administration as well as Project Close-out and 2 additional Geotechnical boring locations and a geotechnical report.

ATTACHMENT "B"

Changes to the schedule are as follows:

Design Development: 60 days
Construction: 210 days

ATTACHMENT "C"

Replace current Attachment "C" and replace with the following:

Owner shall pay the Contractor the total sum of \$110,325.00

- The above fee is itemized as follows:
Preliminary / Schematic Design - \$12,000.00
Design Development - \$16,000.00
Construction Documents - \$20,000.00
Bidding/Contract Admin. - \$4,000.00
Construction - \$24,000.00
Project Close-out - \$4,000.00
Topographic Survey/Drone Support - \$5,150.00
Basketball Court Cover - \$25,175.00

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in the presence of the undersigned competent witnesses, on this

QUALITY ENGINEERING & SURVEYING ST. CHARLES PARISH
By: Name: Deric J. Murphy Title: Date:

2026-0108 INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF WASTEWATER) RESOLUTION NO. 6900

A resolution notifying the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the St. Charles Parish Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report for LA0073539 AI39862 - Destrehan Wastewater Treatment Plant, and set forth the required action.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report Program is designed to encourage municipal wastewater facilities to provide compliance maintenance prior to becoming noncompliant; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to submit the Environmental Audit to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality along with this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby notify the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the St. Charles Parish Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report and sets forth the following action necessary to maintain permit requirements contained in Destrehan WWTP's LPDES Permit.

- a. The Department has a Capacity, Management, Operation and Maintenance (CMOM) Program in place, which consists of a continuous program of monitoring, smoke testing and upgrading of existing sewer collection lines.
b. The Department has a preventive maintenance program. This program consists of upgrading and rehabilitation of manholes, collection lines and lift stations including control panels.
c. Domestic waste from the communities/areas of Destrehan, Montz, Norco, New Sarpy, and St. Rose is treated through the Destrehan WWTP.
d. In accordance with the conditions of the LDEQ State Revolving Loan Fund, the Wastewater Department will continue to repair manholes and sewer collection system lines that are old and dilapidated to prevent excessive inflow and infiltration causing overflows, bypasses and permit violations.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:
YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the resolution was declared adopted this 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: [Signature]
SECRETARY: [Signature]
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026
APPROVED: [Signature] DISAPPROVED:

PARISH PRESIDENT: [Signature]
RET/SECRETARY: April 7, 2026
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY: [Signature]

2026-0109 INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF WASTEWATER) RESOLUTION NO. 6901

A resolution notifying the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the St. Charles Parish Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report for LA0032131 AI43356 - Luling Oxidation Pond, and set forth the required action.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report Program is designed to encourage municipal wastewater facilities to provide compliance maintenance prior to becoming noncompliant; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to submit the Environmental Audit to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality along with this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby notify the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the St. Charles Parish Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report and sets forth the following action necessary to maintain permit requirements contained in The Luling Oxidation Pond's Permit:

- a. The Department has a Capacity, Management, Operation and Maintenance (CMOM) Program in place, which consists of a continuous program of monitoring, smoke testing and upgrading of existing sewer collection lines.
b. The Department has a preventive maintenance program. This program consists of upgrading and rehabilitation of manholes, collection lines and lift stations including control panels.
c. Domestic waste from the communities/areas of Luling, Boutte, Willowdale, Willow Ridge, Mimosa, Lakewood, Ama, and Davis Plantation is treated through the Luling Oxidation Pond.
d. In accordance with the conditions of the LDEQ State Revolving Loan Fund, the Wastewater Department will continue to repair manholes and sewer collection system lines that are old and dilapidated to prevent excessive inflow and infiltration causing overflows, bypasses and permit violations.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:
YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the resolution was declared adopted this 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: [Signature]
SECRETARY: [Signature]
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026
APPROVED: [Signature] DISAPPROVED:

PARISH PRESIDENT: [Signature]
RET/SECRETARY: April 7, 2026
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY: [Signature]

2026-0111 INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE) RESOLUTION NO. 6902

A resolution adopting a Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire as a required part of St. Charles Parish's annual financial and compliance audit.

WHEREAS, the Legislative Auditor requires that a Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire be completed by the Parish and adopted by the Parish Council; and,

WHEREAS, the questionnaire must be presented to the auditor at the beginning of the annual audit; and,

WHEREAS, the auditor will test the accuracy of the response to the questionnaire during the course of his audit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby resolve that the attached Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for St. Charles Parish be and is hereby adopted.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the resolution was declared adopted this 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: [Signature]
SECRETARY: [Signature]
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026
APPROVED: [Signature] DISAPPROVED:

PARISH PRESIDENT: [Signature]
RET/SECRETARY: April 7, 2026
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY: [Signature]

2026-0107 INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (DEPARTMENT OF WASTEWATER) RESOLUTION NO. 6899

A resolution notifying the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the St. Charles Parish Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report for LA0073521 AI43357 - Hahnville Wastewater Treatment Plant, and set forth the required action.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report Program is designed to encourage municipal wastewater facilities to provide compliance maintenance prior to becoming noncompliant; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to submit the Environmental Audit to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality along with this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby notify the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the St. Charles Parish Department of Wastewater has reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report and sets forth the following action necessary to maintain permit requirements contained in The Hahnville WWTP's LPDES Permit:

- a. The Department has a Capacity, Management, Operation and Maintenance (CMOM) Program in place, which consists of a continuous program of monitoring, smoke testing and upgrading of existing sewer collection lines.
b. The Department has a preventive maintenance program. This program consists of upgrading and rehabilitation of manholes, collection lines and lift stations including control panels.
c. Domestic waste from the communities/areas of Hahnville, Taft, Killona, Paradis, Bayou Gauche, Des Allemands, Parts of Boutte, and Parts of Luling is treated through the Hahnville Wastewater Treatment Plant.
d. In accordance with the conditions of the LDEQ State Revolving Loan Fund, the Wastewater Department will continue to repair manholes and sewer collection system lines that are old and dilapidated to prevent excessive inflow and infiltration causing overflows, bypasses and permit violations.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:
YEAS: MOBLEY, FONSECA, WILSON, SKIBA, PILIE, COMARDELLE, O'DANIELS, FISHER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: DEBRULER

And the resolution was declared adopted this 6th day of April, 2026, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: [Signature]
SECRETARY: [Signature]
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: April 7, 2026
APPROVED: [Signature] DISAPPROVED:

PARISH PRESIDENT: [Signature]
RET/SECRETARY: April 7, 2026
AT: 1:46pm RECD BY: [Signature]

**LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE**

February 9, 2026

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC  
3501 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 810  
Metairie, LA 70009-6952

In connection with your audit of our financial statements of the Parish of St Charles for the year ended December 31, 2025 for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to the fair presentation of our financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to assess our internal control structure as a part of your audit, and to review our compliance with applicable laws and regulations, we confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following representations. These representations are based on the information available to us as of February 1, 2026.

**PART I. AGENCY PROFILE**

- Name and address of the organization.  
Parish of St. Charles  
P. O. Box 302  
Hahnville, LA 70057
- List the population of the municipality or parish based upon the last official United States Census or most recent official census (municipalities and police juries only). Include the source of the information.  
Estimated Population: 50, 400 Source: South Central Planning & Development Commission
- List names, addresses, and telephone numbers of entity officials. [Include elected/appointed members of the governing board, chief executive and fiscal officer, and legal counsel.]

NAME	TITLE	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
Matthew Jewell	Parish President	309 Beaupre Dr. Luling, LA 70070	(W) 985-783-5000 (C) 504-201-2477
Michael A. Mobley	Councilman at Large, Division A	911 Ormond Blvd. Destrehan, LA 70047	(O) 985-603-4111
Holly Fonseca	Councilwoman at Large, Division B	103 Allison Dr. Luling, LA 70070	(O) 985-240-0031
La Sandra D. Wilson	Councilwoman District I	369 Pioneer Dr. Hahnville, LA 70057	(H) 985-240-0213 (C) 504-512-3354

NAME	TITLE	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
Heather Skiba	Councilwoman District II	203 Beaupre Dr. Luling, LA 70070	(C) 985-240-0083
Walter Pille	Councilman District III	115 Ducauet Dr. Destrehan, LA 70047	(C) 504-418-6814
Willie Comardelle	Councilman District IV	112 South Bayou Estates Dr. Des Allemands, LA 70030	(C) 504-438-6159
Michelle O'Daniels	Councilwoman District V	P O Box 658 St. Rose, LA 70087	(C) 504-438-6155
Bob Fisher	Councilman District VI	100 Scarlett Ln. Mortz, LA 70088	(O) 985-240-0172
Michele deBruler	Councilwoman District VII	407 Lac Verret Dr Luling, LA 70070	(C) 504-919-9577
Michelle Impastato	Council Secretary	337 St. Charles St. Norco, LA 70079	(W) 985-783-5000 (C) 985-817-0564
Grant M. Dussom	Chief Financial Officer	137 Carrollton Ave. Metairie, LA 70005	(W) 985-783-5000 (H) 504-838-7115
Corey M. Oubre	Legal Director	43 Belle Helene Destrehan, LA 70047	(W) 985-783-5013 (C) 504-905-0354

- Period of time covered by this questionnaire:  
From January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025
- The entity has been organized under the following provisions of the Louisiana Revised Statute(s) (R.S.) and, if applicable, local resolutions/ordinances.  
Article VI of the Louisiana State Constitution
- Briefly describe the public services provided:  
Local governmental services
- Expiration date of current elected/appointed officials' terms.  
January 2028

**LEGAL COMPLIANCE**

**PART II. PUBLIC BID LAW**

- The provisions of the public bid law, R.S. Title 38:2211-2296, and where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchasing Office have been complied with.
  - All public works purchases exceeding \$250,000 have been publicly bid.  
Yes  No
  - All material and supply purchases exceeding \$60,000 have been publicly bid.  
Yes  No

**PART III. CODE OF ETHICS LAW FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

- It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, a loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1101-1124.  
Yes  No
- It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980 under circumstances that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1119.  
Yes  No

**PART IV. LAWS AFFECTING BUDGETING**

- We have complied with the budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (R.S. 39:1301-15) R.S. 39:33, or R.S. 39:1331-1342, as applicable:
  - Local Budget Act**
    - We have adopted a budget for the General Fund and all special revenue funds (R.S. 39:1305).
    - The chief executive officer, or equivalent, has prepared a proposed budget that included a budget message, a proposed budget for the General Fund and each special revenue fund, and a budget adoption instrument that defined the authority of the chief executive and administrative officers to make budgetary amendments within various budget classifications without approval of the governing authority, as well as those powers reserved solely to the governing authority. Furthermore, the proposed expenditures did not exceed estimated funds to be available during the period (R.S. 39:1305).
    - The proposed budget was submitted to the governing authority and made available for public inspection at least 15 days prior to the beginning of the budget year (R.S. 39:1306).
    - To the extent that proposed expenditures were greater than \$500,000, we have made the budget available for public inspection and have advertised its availability in our official journal. The advertisement included the date, time, and place of the public hearing on the budget. Notice has also been published certifying that all actions required by the Local Government Budget Act have been completed (R.S. 39:1307).
    - If required, the proposed budget was made available for public inspection at the location required by R.S. 39:1308.
    - All action necessary to adopt and finalize the budget was completed prior to the date required by state law. The adopted budget contained the same information as that required for the proposed budget (R.S. 39:1309).
    - After adoption, a certified copy of the budget has been retained by the chief executive officer or equivalent officer (R.S. 39:1309).
    - To the extent that proposed expenditures were greater than \$500,000, the chief executive officer or equivalent notified the governing authority in writing during the year when actual receipts plus projected revenue collections for the year failed to meet budgeted revenues by five percent or more, or when actual expenditures plus projected expenditures to year end exceeded budgeted expenditures by five percent or more (R.S. 39:1311).
    - The governing authority has amended its budget when notified, as provided by R.S. 39:1311. (Note, general and special revenue fund budgets should be amended, regardless of the amount of expenditures in the fund, when actual receipts plus projected revenue collections for the year fail to meet budgeted revenues by five percent or more; or when actual expenditures plus projected expenditures to year end exceed budgeted expenditures by five percent or more. State law exempts from the amendment requirements special revenue funds with anticipated expenditures of \$500,000 or less, and exempts special revenue funds whose revenues are expenditure-driven—primarily federal funds—from the requirement to amend revenues.)  
Yes  No
  - State Budget Requirements**
    - The state agency has complied with the budgetary requirements of R.S. 39:33.  
Yes  No
  - Licensing Boards**
    - The licensing board has complied with the budgetary requirements of R.S. 39:1331-1342.  
Yes  No

**PART V. ACCOUNTING, AUDITING, AND FINANCIAL REPORTING LAWS**

- We have maintained our accounting records in such a manner as to provide evidence of legal compliance and the preparation of annual financial statements to comply with R.S. 24:513 and 515, and/or 33:463.  
Yes  No
- All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by R.S. 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.  
Yes  No
- We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with R.S. 24:514, and 33:463 where applicable.  
Yes  No
- We have had our financial statements audited in a timely manner in accordance with R.S. 24:513.  
Yes  No
- We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).  
Yes  No  N/A
- We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.  
Yes  No
- We have remitted all fees, fines, and court costs collected on behalf of other entities, in compliance with applicable Louisiana Revised Statutes or other laws.  
Yes  No  N/A
- We have complied with R.S. 24:515.2 regarding reporting of pre- and post- adjudication court costs, fines and fees assessed or imposed; the amounts collected; the amounts outstanding; the amounts retained; the amounts disbursed, and the amounts received from disbursements.  
Yes  No  N/A

**PART VI. MEETINGS**

- We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in R.S. 42:11 through 42:28.  
Yes  No

**PART VII. ASSET MANAGEMENT LAWS**

- We have maintained records of our fixed assets and movable property records, as required by R.S. 24:515 and/or 39:321-332, as applicable.  
Yes  No

**PART VIII. FISCAL AGENCY AND CASH MANAGEMENT LAWS**

- We have complied with the fiscal agency and cash management requirements of R.S. 39:1211-45 and 49:301-327, as applicable.  
Yes  No

**PART IX. DEBT RESTRICTION LAWS**

- It is true we have not incurred any long-term indebtedness without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and R.S. 39:1410.60-1410.65.  
Yes  No
- We have complied with the debt limitation requirements of state law (R.S. 39:562).  
Yes  No
- We have complied with the reporting requirements relating to the Fiscal Review Committee of the State Bond Commission (R.S. 39:1410.62).  
Yes  No

**PART X. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE RESTRICTION LAWS**

- We have restricted the collections and expenditures of revenues to those amounts authorized by Louisiana statutes, tax propositions, and budget ordinances.  
Yes  No
- It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, R.S. 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.  
Yes  No
- It is true that no property or things of value have been loaned, pledged, or granted to anyone in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution.  
Yes  No

**PART XI. ISSUERS OF MUNICIPAL SECURITIES**

- It is true that we have complied with the requirements of R.S. 39:1438.C.  
Yes  No

**PART XII. QUESTIONS FOR SPECIFIC GOVERNMENTAL UNITS**

Parish Governments

- We have adopted a system of road administration that provides as follows:
  - Approval of the governing authority of all expenditures, R.S. 48:755(A).
  - Development of a capital improvement program on a selective basis, R.S. 48:755.
  - Centralized purchasing of equipment and supplies, R.S. 48:755.
  - Centralized accounting, R.S. 48:755.
  - A construction program based on engineering plans and inspections, R.S. 48:755.
  - Selective maintenance program, R.S. 48:755.
  - Annual certification of compliance to the auditor, R.S. 48:758.  
Yes  No

Libraries

- We have complied with the regulations of the Louisiana State Library.  
Yes  No

Sewerage Districts

- We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 33:3881-4159.10.  
Yes  No

Waterworks Districts

- We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 33:3811-3837.  
Yes  No

Drainage and Irrigation Districts

- We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 38:1601-1707 (Drainage Districts); R.S. 38:1751-1921 (Gravity Drainage Districts); R.S. 38:1991-2048 (Levee and Drainage Districts); or R.S. 38:2101-2123 (Irrigation Districts), as appropriate.  
Yes  No

Other Special Districts

- We have complied with those specific statutory requirements of state law applicable to Communications Districts.  
Yes  No

The previous responses have been made to the best of our belief and knowledge. We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations. We have made available to you documentation relating to the foregoing laws and regulations.

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We acknowledge our responsibility to disclose to you and the Legislative Auditor any known noncompliance that may occur subsequent to the issuance of your report.

President: Matthew Jewell Date: 4/17/26  
 Council Chairman: Christie Date: 4/16/26  
 Chief Financial Officer: [Signature] Date: 4/16/26



Des Allemands Square 172 Norman Avenue Des Allemands, LA	2.17	12	0	4	4	4	0	0
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The intent of the HASCP is to withdraw Ninety Percent (90%) or one hundred six teen (116) of the units from the conventional public housing program and the remaining thirteen percent (10%) or thirteen (13) of the unit will remain under the public housing program, to convey the properties to a subsidiary (Saint Charles Housing Development, Incorporated) of HASCP, and to retain the units as affordable housing through the provision of both Tenant Protection Vouchers (TPVs) and project-based subsidy assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher (HVC) Program as administered by HASCP. In order to ensure that the units meet and exceed Housing Quality Standards (HQS) as required by the Housing Choice Voucher Program, HASCP intends to complete comprehensive rehabilitation as needed on the units using the current Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) and other resources.

In addition, HASCP proposed to utilize Project Based Vouchers (PBV) on the properties. Families who voluntarily consent to PBV Assistance will have to remain in their unit under a PBV Contract administered by HASCP. Tenant consent means a family, after being fully informed of its rights and options, voluntarily gives up the ability to receive a tenant-based HVC voucher (that could be used at the property or off-site in the private market) in order to be assisted under a PBV contract at the property. The informed and voluntary consent a family gives is to forego tenant-based assistance (for use at the property or in the private market).

If a family fails to consent to the PBV Assistance and chooses to remain using tenant-based HVC Assistance, that family's unit will be excluded from the PBV Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contract until the family moves out or consents to switching to PBV assistance. Families will be advised of their rights through a series of group and one on one meetings.

**Capital Improvements and Financing Plan**

HASCP completed a Physical Conditions Assessment (PCA) on the public housing properties. The PNA outlines the amount of capital improvements needed at each property immediately and the amount of capital improvement needs spread over a 20-year span. The PCA is helpful in determining whether to demolish or to renovate a property. At a minimum, HASCP will make the capital improvements identified in the PCA. An architect has been procured for the design work. HASCP has started developing the Plans and Specifications for the renovation needs for the properties. Price estimates will be received for the renovations and a Construction Contractor will be selected to complete the construction work at the sites based the final Scope of Work.

HASCP has started to develop a Financing Plan for the capital improvement needs. HASCP is ready to pursue financing immediately after the RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion Program Application for the PHA has been approved by HUD. The Financing Plan includes funding from the Louisiana Housing Corporation Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program (4% Credits) and other funds. A Preliminary Sources and Uses of Funds has been developed which outlines the sources of funding and expenditures for the capital improvements. HASCP expects to secure the financing for the projects; to complete the capital improvements to the properties; and to move the returning families back and new families to the properties.

**Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan**

HASCP has created the 2024 Public Housing Agency Plan revision which outlines the HASCP desire to convert under the RAD Section 18 Blend process and the removal action of the Public Housing Program and replacing the Public Housing Program with the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Program. The HASCP has received approval from its Board of Commissioners and HUD on its 2025 PHA and 5 Year PHA plan which includes its intent to redevelop its properties under the RAD/Section 18 blend conversion program.

**Local Government Consultation and Support**

A requirement of the application process is that the conversion plan must be developed in consultation with appropriate public officials, including the local government. In addition, HASCP must receive confirmation that the proposed RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion Program Application and subsequent conversion of the Public Housing units to the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Program is consistent with the jurisdiction's current approved Consolidated Plan. The Saint Charles Parish Council has pledged support of HASCP desire to convert under RAD. HASCP met with the Saint Parish Council to explain the conversion of the public housing program to the HVC program.

**Resident Consultation**

It is not expected that any residents will be displaced as a result of the Streamlined Voluntary Conversion process. All remaining households residing in the units will be provided a comparable housing unit through the use of a Tenant Protection Voucher to remain at the properties or rent on the private market. All families are currently at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and will be offered Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Assistance through the award of Tenant Protection Vouchers.

The HASCP conducted meetings/briefings at the properties on March 20, 2025 in which all residents living at the properties at the time were invited to attend the meetings/briefings. Additional meetings are scheduled for November 5, 2025. Residents were given copies of the information of the proposed conversion action and the rights and responsibilities of the families. Resident comments will be solicited. HASCP shall carefully prepare the RAD Section 18 Blend Draft Conversion Plan with the HUD requirements as outlined the regulations and with input from the residents of the SCPHA.

**Relocation**

HASCP understands the importance of handling the relocation in the best interest of the residents and HASCP has carefully crafted a Relocation Plan that minimizes disruption to residents and directly responds to resident needs and preferences. The HASCP staff and the HASCP Developer Partner, Standard Enterprises, Incorporated, will provide relocation services, in accordance with the Relocation Plan. As a part of the RAD/Section 18 blend repositioning strategy program, you have the right to return to the unit you had to vacate due to the work being done through this program if you choose to do so.

HASCP will communicate with the residents throughout the conversion application and approval process. HASCP will conduct ongoing resident meetings and provide updated information and notices to impacted households. After voluntary conversion is approved and relocation commences, HASCP will also provide the relocation and advisory services and carefully track residents both during and after their moves to ensure that the residents have uninterrupted access to services during relocation. Lastly, HASCP will develop a database that will track household status in the relocation process, where they have relocated to and whether or not they are receiving appropriate services.

**Tenant Protection Vouchers (TPVs)**

The HASCP currently administers a Housing Choice Voucher Program. Upon approval of the RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion Plan Application, the HASCP will request Replacement Tenant Protection Vouchers for the number of units under the Annual Contribution Contract (ACC) at the property that have been occupied during the past twenty-four (24) months in accordance with the HUD rules and regulations. The HASCP will immediately apply for TPVs for the eligible units approved to receive TPVs. The TPVs will be converted to project-based vouchers for use at the property.

The Replacement TPVs will be used first to assist eligible families impacted by the Public Housing conversion action. After ensuring all eligible families in the impacted Public Housing units have been offered TPV assistance, HASCP will issue any remaining replacement TPVs to families on the waiting list and/or project-base the remaining replacement TPVs.

**RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion Plan Timeline  
March 1, 2026**

The HASCP must provide a Timeline of when the public housing program close-out process will end. See RAD Section 18 Blend conversion plan timeline below.

Description of Activity	Proposed Completion Date
Board Approves RAD Plan Submission	February 1, 2025
Resident Meetings/Briefings	March 20, 2025
Resident Consent Forms	April 30, 2025
Approved PHA Plan	April 30, 2025
Submit Conversion Plan to HUD	December 31, 2025
HUD Approves Conversion Plan, CHAP	March 31, 2026
Submit Financing Plan to HUD	June 30, 2026
HUD Approves Financing Plan	July 31, 2026
Construction Starts	August 1, 2026
Construction Ends	August 1, 2027
Partial Public Housing Program Close-Out	December 31, 2027

**Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Small PHA Section 18 Blend  
Checklist  
Quarter Ending March 31, 2026  
Saint Charles Parish Housing Authority**

PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY	Saint Charles Parish
NAME OF PHA CONTACT	Jedidiah Jackson
TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PHA CONTACT	985-785-2601
NAME OF DEVELOPER	Standard Enterprises, Incorporated
NAME OF DEVELOPER CONTACT	Richard Murray
TELEPHONE NUMBER OF DEVELOPER	225-205-5825
NAME OF PROJECT	Watson Courts
DATE	March 24, 2026

**Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program Small PHA Section 18  
Blend Conversion Checklist  
Saint Charles Parish Housing Authority**

Section 1 PHA Determines to Undergo Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program Small PHA Section 18 Blend Repositioning Strategy for Agency.				
Line Item	Description of Activity	Detailed Description of Activity	Date Started	Date Completed
1.1	HUD suspends Streamlined Voluntary Conversion (SVC) Program Application submissions.	HUD held conference call with SCPHA and did not approve SCPHA SVC Plan due to Jefferson Parish Housing Authority court decision. HUD suggested SCPHA undergo RAD Section 18 Blend.	September 3, 2024	September 3, 2024
1.2	Board Resolution Adopted Withdrawing SVC	SCPHA Board of Commissioners Approves Resolution Number 24-11-13-01 Withdrawing	November 13, 2024	November 13, 2024

	Application to HUD SAC.	SVC Application to HUD SAC.		
1.3	Decide to Reposition Agency under RAD Small PHA Section 18 Blend. Board Resolution Adopted to Pursue RAD Small PHA Section 18 Blend application.	SCPHA determines to undergo Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program Small PHA Section 18 Blend repositioning strategy for agency. SCPHA Board of Commissioners Approves Resolution Number 24-11-13-02 to submit an Application under the RAD Small PHA Section 18 Blend Program.	November 13, 2024	November 13, 2024
1.4	SCPHA Withdraws SVC Application	SCPHA notifies HUD that the PHA wants to withdraw its SVC Application due to HUD decision to suspend the SVC Program.	November 18, 2024	November 18, 2024
1.5	HUD Approves SVC Application Withdrawal Request.	HUD Approves SCPHA SVC Application Withdrawal Request.	November 18, 2024	November 18, 2024

Section 2 Public Housing Agency Plan.				
Line Item	Description of Activity	Detailed Description of Activity	Date Started	Date Completed
2.1	Public Housing Agency Plan Advertised to Public	PHA advertises the PHA Agency Plan for public review and comments. Give deadline for submitting written comments.	May 9, 2025	June 23, 2025
2.2	Public Hearing for Annual Plan	PHA holds required public comment period for Annual Plan and holds the required Public Hearing.	June 24, 2025	June 24, 2025
2.3	Board Approval of Annual Plan	PHA obtains Board approval of the Annual Plan through a formal Board resolution.	June 24, 2025	June 24, 2025
2.4	PHA Submits PHA Plan to HUD Field Office	PHA submits Annual Plan to HUD Field Office for review and approval.	June 24, 2025	June 24, 2025
2.5	HUD Field Office review and approval of Annual Plan.	HUD Field Office approves PHA Plan.	June 24, 2025	June 24, 2025

Section 3 Resident Participation.				
Line Item	Description of Activity	Detailed Description of Activity	Date Started	Date Completed
3.1	Notice of Resident Briefing/Meeting.	PHA send a Notice of the Resident Brief/Meeting to every resident who lived in the property.	March 17, 2025	March 17, 2025
3.2	PHA Holds Resident Briefing and Meetings.	PHA must host at least one briefing and meeting with residents of the properties to provide informational materials and to advise the residents of their rights under RAD. PHA must provide a summary of the resident comments. PHA must provide a listing of the Questions asked and Answers provided during the meeting.	March 20, 2025	March 20, 2025
3.3	Minutes of Meetings.	PHA creates Minutes of the Meetings and Briefings held with the Residents.	March 20, 2025	March 20, 2025
3.4	HUD requests new Resident Meetings.	HUD requests new Resident Meetings since it had been 6 months since the originals meetings were held.	October 15, 2025	October 15, 2025
3.5	Notice of Resident Briefing/Meeting.	PHA send a Notice of the Resident	October 29, 2025	October 29, 2025

		Brief/Meeting to every resident who lived in the property.		
3.6	PHA Holds Resident Briefing and Meetings.	PHA must host at least one briefing and meeting with residents of the properties to provide informational materials and to advise the residents of their rights under RAD. PHA must provide a summary of the resident comments. PHA must provide a listing of the Questions asked and Answers provided during the meeting.	November 5, 2025	November 5, 2025
3.7	Minutes of Meetings.	PHA creates Minutes of the Meetings and Briefings held with the Residents.	November 5, 2025	November 7, 2025

Section 4. Local Government Consultation.				
Line Item	Description of Activity	Detailed Description of Activity	Date Started	Date Completed
4.1	Consultation with Local Official	PHA must consult with the local government officials by providing a copy of the RAD Plan and obtaining certification from local government that the RAD Plan is consistent with the Consolidated Plan.	September 3, 2025	September 3, 2025
4.2	Letter of Support	PHA must obtain a letter of support from the appropriate official at the local governing body.		

Section 5. PHA Submits the RAD Application to the HUD Resource Desk.				
Line Item	Description of Activity	Detailed Description of Activity	Date Started	Date Completed
5.1	PHA Submits Draft RAD Application to HUD.	PHA submits Draft RAD Application to HUD through the HUD Resource Desk.	October 15, 2025	October 15, 2025
5.2	HUD reviews the Draft Conversion Plan and requests revisions.	HUD reviews the Draft Conversion Plan and requests revisions from the PHA.	October 15, 2025	October 15, 2025
5.3	PHA submits revisions to the RAD Application to HUD Resource Desk.	PHA submits revisions to the Draft RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion Plan in the format requested by HUD Field Office.	December 19, 2025	December 19, 2025
5.4	HUD approves the Draft RAD Application.	HUD approves the Draft RAD Application and notifies the PHA, in writing. CHAP awarded.		
5.5	HUD reserves conversion authority under the Cap.	HUD reserves conversion authority under the Cap.		
5.6	Contract Rents Determined	Contract Rents Determined by HUD for the project.		

Section 6 PHA Submits Financing Plan to HUD.				
Line Item	Description of Activity	Detailed Description of Activity	Date Started	Date Completed
6.1	PHA Initiates Draft Financing Plan.	PHA Initiates Draft Financing Plan for the RAD Conversion.	October 15, 2025	October 15, 2025
6.2	A. Type of Conversion.	PHA must identify whether the project will convert to PBV or PBRA.	October 15, 2025	October 15, 2025
6.3	B. Capital Needs Assessment.	PHA must certify that the property has been assessed and the property can be sustained for 20 years.	February 3, 2026	April 20, 2026
6.4	C. Scope of Work.	PHA must complete a Scope of Work of the capital improvements needed at the properties.	February 2, 2026	February 18, 2026
6.5	D. Environmental Review.	PHA must complete the required Environmental Reviews at the properties.	February 3, 2026	April 20, 2026
6.6	E. RAD Fair Housing, Accessibility, and Relocation.	PHA must complete and submit the checklist as described in the RAD notice.		
6.7	F. Sources and Uses of Funds.	PHA remaining public housing funds must be reflected in a Sources and Uses statement.	February 27, 2026	February 27, 2026
6.8	G. Development Team.	PHA shall identify a Development Team for the conversion.		
6.9	H. Proposed Financing Plan.	PHA shall develop a Financing Plan for the conversion.		
6.10	I. Operating Pro-Forma.	The PHA must submit an operating pro-forma.		
6.11	J. Market Study.	PHA shall complete a Market Study.		
6.12	K. Approval of Significant Amendment to PHA Plan.	PHA must submit all requirements for RAD Specific PHA Plan and/or Significant Amendment.	May 9, 2025	June 24, 2025
6.13	L. Pre-Approval of Specific Activities.			
6.14	Approval of Non-Dwelling Real Property.	All non-dwelling property and land possessed by the PHA will be removed from the DOT and from ACC.		
6.15	N. Approved Amendment to Attachment A of the MTW Agreement.	Does Not Apply.	Does Not Apply.	Does Not Apply.
6.16	O. Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan.	Applies to PBRA conversions.		
6.17	P. Estimated Public Housing Funds Available for HAP Subsidy.	Estimate the amount of Public Housing Funds Available for HAP Subsidy.		
6.18	Q. Transfer of Assistance.	Will PHA transfer assistance to another entity.	Does Not Apply.	Does Not Apply.
6.19	R. Resident Comments.	PHA shall record the comments made by residents pertaining to the RAD Conversion.	October 29, 2025	November 5, 2025
6.20	S. Title Report.			

[Parish Letterhead]

ST. CHARLES PARISH OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT & OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

To: Ms. Elvetra N. Gibbs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development New Orleans Field Office Hale Boggs Federal Building 501 Magazine Street, 9th Floor New Orleans, LA 70130-3099

Re: Support for the RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion Program of the Housing Authority of Saint Charles Parish

Dear Ms. Gibbs,

We are writing on behalf of the St. Charles Parish Council and the Office of the Parish President to formally confirm our continued support for the Housing Authority of St. Charles Parish (SCPHA).

Previously, on May 4, 2020, the Parish Council passed Resolution No. 6492 to support the SCPHA's initial Conversion Plan under the Streamlined Voluntary Conversion (SVC) program. We are writing today to endorse the agency's strategic pivot from the SVC program to a RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion.

The Parish Council and Parish President have been fully briefed on this updated conversion strategy by Mr. Jedidiah Jackson, Executive Director of SCPHA, Standard Enterprises, Incorporated (SEI) of Monroe, Louisiana, acting as SCPHA's Development Partner, and Butler Snow LLP, acting as Bond Counsel.

We understand that, much like the previous plan, the RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion will permit SCPHA to reposition its ACC public housing units in St. Charles Parish to a Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Program model. We agree with Mr. Jackson's assessment that this conversion will enable SCPHA to transition its public housing into a more stable funding and flexible management model, which will better serve our community than the traditional public housing model.

Please accept this letter as confirmation that the St. Charles Parish Council and the Parish President fully support the SCPHA's updated Conversion Plan utilizing the RAD Section 18 Blend Conversion, and we strongly urge HUD's approval of their submission.

Sincerely,

Matthew Jewell

Parish President, St. Charles Parish

[Name of Current Council Chairperson/Representative]

St. Charles Parish Council

CC: St. Charles Parish Council Mr. Jedidiah Jackson, Executive Director, SCPHA

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

*Michelle Impastato*  
MICHELLE IMPASTATO  
COUNCIL SECRETARY

Publish: April 16, 2026

**Public Notice**



St. Charles Parish Public Schools

4/9/26 Risk Management & Insurance Committee Meeting  
04/09/2026 - 10:00 AM  
Central Office Board Room  
13855 River Road,  
Luling, Louisiana 70070

MEETING MINUTES



The Risk Management & Insurance School Board Meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and held at the following address: Central Office Board Room; 13855 River Road; Luling, LA.

RM&I Special Board Meeting |Live Link  
<https://youtube.com/live/xytAfrznvLM?feature=share>

The Risk Management & Insurance Committee met on Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 10:01 AM  
Members Present:  
Arthur "Art" Aucoin, Karen L. Boudreaux, Ray Gregson  
Meeting called to order by Arthur "Art" Aucoin at 10:01 AM

1. Opening Items

1.01 Roll Call

2. Business Items

GOAL D - Operational Effectiveness  
The board received presentations from three Student Accident Insurance Brokers.  
o Gallagher  
o Kid Guard  
o Marsh McLennan Agency

3. Closing Items

Motion to adjourn by Karen Boudreaux, second by Ray Gregson at 11:34 AM

Publish: April 16, 2026

**Sheriff's Sale**

SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
SHERIFF'S SALE

Suit No: (45) (26) 856215-N  
Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2026  
ALBERT MINIAS AND MERVAT  
MINIAS

vs

KIROLOS ABDELMALEK AND  
ADEL GHOBRIAL  
GREG CHAMPAGNE, SHERIFF  
P.O. Box 426

HAHNVILLE, LA 70057  
Parish of ST. CHARLES  
29th Judicial District Court  
State of Louisiana

By virtue of and in obedience to a Writ of FIERI FACIAS directed to me by the Honorable 29TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT in and for the PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, State of Louisiana, dated: FRIDAY, AUGUST 29, 2025, in the above entitled and numbered cause, I shall proceed to sell at public auction at the front door of the Courthouse of which the Civil District Court of the Parish of St. Charles is held on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026, at 10:00 AM, to the last and highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit:

CHEVROLET CORVETTE VIN NO. 1G1YE2D31R5600894, TOYOTA COROLLA VIN NO. JT-NABAAE5RA015126

And from the proceeds of said sale to pay petitioner by preference over all other claims, the sum of: **FIVE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND (\$587,000.00) DOLLARS**, along with interest and attorney's fees and all other costs including my own costs and charges.

**Terms and conditions of sale:**  
CASH IN THE FORM OF A CASHIER'S CHECK DUE BY 2:00 P.M. DAY OF THE SALE.  
PUBLISH ON: April 16, 2026  
GREG CHAMPAGNE, SHERIFF & EXOFFICIOTAX COLLECTOR  
ST. CHARLES PARISH  
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:  
Nicholas H. Berg  
1100 Poydras Street, Suite 2200  
New Orleans, LA 70163  
504-688-4402  
SCSO-CIV-209-0402

**Public Notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
REMOVAL OF WEEDS, GRASS & OTHER NOXIOUS MATTER**

If the following violations are not rectified within (5) days of this published notice, the parish will proceed in bringing the properties listed in compliance with Chapter 16, Article III Sec. 16-24 through Sec. 16-28. (As amended). The fee for performing these services shall be at a rate of 0.037 per square foot of the lot cleaned. The contractor's fee for performing these services shall be at the rate of 0.029 per square foot of the lot cleaned. In the event a mini-clean up is required prior to performing the above services, a fee of \$58.61 per mini clean up plus actual disposal fees will be assessed, not to exceed then (10) mini-cleanups per property in violation. On property where trash and/or debris accumulation is such that it requires heavy equipment, bulldozer, front-end loaders, etc. a fee of forty-three dollars and eighty six cents (\$43.96) per cubic yard will be assessed. An administration fee of \$36.63 may be assessed on each invoice. The fees in this section shall be increased or decreased on February first of each year by a change in CIP applicable to the US cities average group, all urban consumers, all items published by the US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for the preceding twelve-month period ending each November. The change shall become effective beginning with the period ending November 30, 2000. The department of finance shall notify the department of planning and zoning in writing annually of the revised fees.

The following lots are in violation of parish ordinance Chapter 16, Article III Sec. 16-24 through Sec. 16-33:

Matthew David Garsh  
118 Lincoln ST, Hahnville, LA 70057  
Lot 1B  
Block 2  
Subdivision: Hahnville, Village OF  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Joshua A. Bradley  
725 Van's LN, New Sarpy, LA 70047  
Lot N66  
Block  
Subdivision: Victoria Acres SUBD.  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Wise Properties L.L.C.  
12154 River Road, ST Rose, LA 70087  
Lot 9-C-2  
Block 9  
Subdivision: Pecan Grove Pltn. - Comm.  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Peter H. Tefarikis  
305 Ormond Meadows DR APT C, C, Destrehan, LA 70047  
Lot 3C  
Block C  
Subdivision: Ormond Meadows SUBD.  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Olisker Price Jefferson Llewellyn Soniat C/O  
215 Sycamore ST, Hahnville, LA 70057  
Lot S19  
Block 13  
Subdivision: Hahnville Village OF  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Augustine Jacob Est. Quintella B. Cola C/O  
201 Sycamore St., Hahnville, LA 70057  
Lot S20  
Block 13  
Subdivision: Hahnville, Village OF  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Norwood 1/42 Thomas  
130 Zack Thomas LN, Montz, LA 70068  
Lot 3698  
Block  
Subdivision: Picou PLTN. (Montz)  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Patricia Ballansaw  
1021 Paul Frederick DR, Luling, LA 70070  
Lot 48  
Block E  
Subdivision: Oak Ridge Park- LULI\*

Estate of Norbert Fortier C/O Octavia Gross  
14964 River Road57, Hahnville, LA 70057  
Lot A1  
Block L  
Subdivision: f  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Stanley G. Davis  
625 Killona DR, Killona, LA 70066  
Lot 6  
Block 1  
Subdivision: Davis, J.B.  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Ronaldo J. Ortiz  
731 Ayo LN, Paradis, LA 70080  
Lot T-1  
Block  
Subdivision: Estay SUBD.  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Maitland J.-Estate\* Champagne  
610 Gassen St., Luling, La. 70070  
Lot 20  
Block 3  
Subdivision: Gassen Subd. Addition\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Darcy Bush Properties, LLC  
12641 Hwy. 90, Luling, La. 70070  
Lot  
Block  
Subdivision: Highway 90 Commercial  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Bradshaw, Clark E.-Estate of  
319 Carolyn Dr., Destrehan, La. 70047  
Lot 77  
Block  
Subdivision: Carolyn Drive Subd.  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Theresa Francis  
332 Turtle Creek Ln., St. Rose, La. 70087  
Lot 26  
Block B  
Subdivision: Preston Hollow (Levy)\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Edward J. Price  
17057 La. 631, Des Allemands, La. 70030  
Lot 8  
Block 19  
Subdivision: CDF-Numbered Farm L\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Philip J. Cortez  
17469 La. 631, Des Allemands, La. 70030  
Lot G3  
Block 150  
Subdivision: CDF\_Numbered Farm L\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

St. Gertrude Catholic Church Ex\*  
17292 La. 631, Des Allemands, La 70030  
Lot D1  
Block N5  
Subdivision: CDF-Numbered Farm L\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Lee Matherne  
405 Early St., Paradis, La. 70080  
Lot 12  
Block E  
Subdivision: Paradis, Town of-Lett\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Debra Ann Borey  
704 Early St., Paradis, La. 70080  
Lot 2  
Block M  
Subdivision: Paradis, Town of -Lett\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

John T. Ehrlicher  
14197 Hwy. 90, Boutte, La. 70039  
Lot 6A  
Block 6  
Subdivision: Mosella, Townsite Of\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Brennen M. Friloux  
14183 Hwy. 90, Boutte, La. 70039  
Lot 15-A  
Block 6  
Subdivision: Mosella, Townsite Of\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

John Thomas Ehrlicher  
14193 Hwy. 90, Boutte, La. 70039  
Lot 5  
Block 6  
Subdivision: Mosella, Townsite Of\*  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

George C. Russell  
199 Carolyn Dr., Destrehan, La. 70047  
Lot 18  
Block  
Subdivision: Carolyn Drive Subd.  
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

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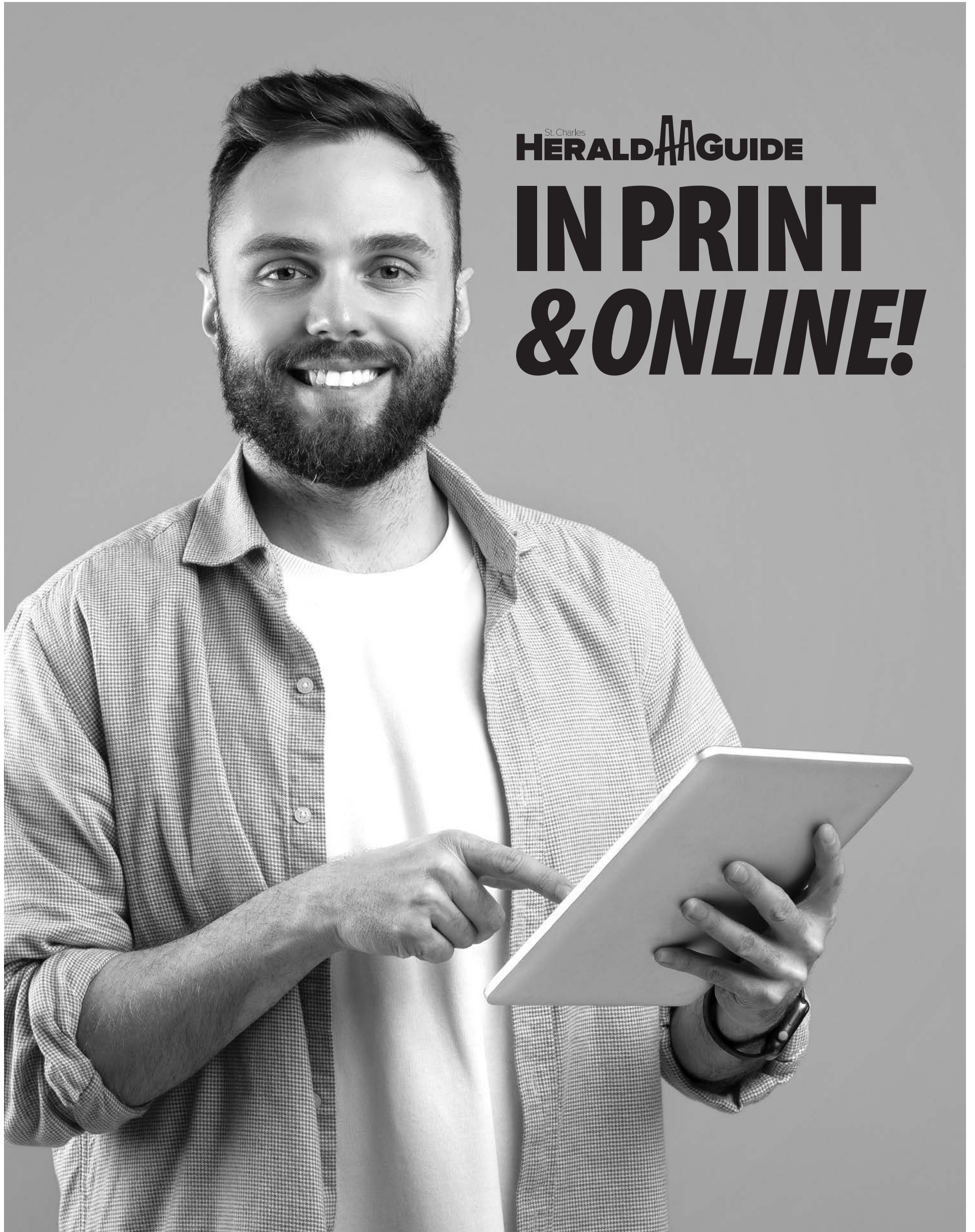


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