

JULY 23, 2025

NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA

IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council of Iberia Parish, Louisiana met in Regular Session in the Parish Council Chambers, Main Courthouse Building, New Iberia, Louisiana, on Wednesday, July 23, 2025, at 6:03 p.m.

The following members were recorded as PRESENT:

Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ian Alpha, Legal Counsel

Parish President M. Larry Richard

Chief Administrative Officer Milton "Bo" Belanger

Executive Assistant to Parish President Cynthia Provost

Executive Communications Coordinator Josepha "Jo" Morgan

Director of Finance Erica Duplechain

Director of Personnel Edythe "Edie" Cassleman

Director of Acadiana Regional Airport Maurice "Moe" Songy

The Parish Council of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, was duly convened as the Governing Authority of the Parish of Iberia by Mr. James P. Trahan, its Chairman, who announced that the Council was now ready to conduct its business.

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COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made by Iberia Parish Council Members.

PARISH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Chief Administrative Officer Milton "Bo" Belanger informed the Iberia Parish Council 3 individuals participated in the Litter Abatement Program on Saturday, July 23, 2025. A total of 48 bags of trash, televisions, car parts, and other items were collected in the areas of Pellerin Street, Monnot Road and Landry Street.
2. CAO Belanger informed the Iberia Parish Council that the Public Works Department completed several tasks during the period of July 9-27, 2025, including culvert cleaning and replacement, road patching and repair, roadside drainage, tree cutting and removal, debris pickup, sidebooming of front ditches, as well as many other tasks.
3. CAO Belanger announced that a Kick-off Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025, for the Drainage, Maintenance and Coulee Clearing Services Project. Southern Constructors has been contracted to clear Channel M10 from Sugar Mill Road to the Bayou Teche. The project is expected to begin in August 2025 and be completed within fifteen working days.
4. CAO Belanger provided an update for the Phase I Project C (GEC, Inc.) - Road Repairs and Improvement Project. Bid Opening is scheduled for Friday, August 22, 2025 at 10:00 a.m., Iberia Parish Courthouse, 4th Floor, New Iberia, Louisiana.
5. CAO Belanger provided an update for the upgrades of Sewerage District 1 Water Sector Projects for the areas of Beau Fleur, Belle Terre, and Orange Grove. Sage Construction has been contracted to complete this project with the work scheduled to begin on August 1, 2025 and be completed by February 2026. The cost of this project is \$2,365,678.20.
6. CAO Belanger announced that Parish President M. Larry Richard will speak at the Grand Marais Town Hall Meeting to be held on Thursday, August 7, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at Mon Ami located at 7304 Highway 90, Jeanerette, Louisiana.
7. CAO Belanger announced that Iberia Parish Government is currently seeking to hire for the following positions: 1) Mosquito Control Specialist - Mosquito Control; 2) Maintenance Worker - Waterworks District No. 3; 3) Building Inspector (Certified Residential and Commercial) - Permits, Planning & Zoning; 4) Public Worker I - Public Works; and 5) Public Safety Telecommunicator/911 - Communications District (E-911). Please visit Iberia Parish Government website to apply at: www.iberiaparishgovernment.com for details.
8. COO Broussard reminded everyone to visit the website for Iberia Parish Government information and updates at <https://iberiaparishgovernment.com> <https://www.smart911.com>

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Chad Maturin, that the Council recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Policy allows Three (3) Minutes/person)

Pursuant to the request of the Council, Public Comments No. 2 was called first on the Public Comments section of the Iberia Parish Council Agenda.

2. Persons being considered for appointment to Parish Boards, Commissions, and/or Districts, were as follows: (a) Ms. Ashley Orphe, applicant for Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District.
1. Comments from the General Public on Agenda Items were, as follows:
 - a. Mr. Ben Kelahan with Recurrent Energy addressed the Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in opposition to the Proposed Solar Ordinance and provided statistics on phone calls received.
 - b. Dr. Terry Chambers, Professor of Mechanical Engineering at ULL provided general health and safety aspects of solar energy education regarding Summary No. 5372 to the Iberia Parish Council.
 - c. Mr. Joshua Chevallier voiced his opposition to the 1-mile setback requirement in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
 - d. Mr. Jeffery Arnold with America's First Energy voiced his opposition to the 1-mile setback requirement in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
 - e. Mr. Ben Kerr with Recurrent Energy voiced his opposition to the 1-mile setback requirement in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
 - f. Ms. Andree' McAnally, proposed Solar Farm landowner addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding Summary No. 5372.
 - g. Mr. Brad Norris addressed the Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in opposition to the Proposed Solar Farm.
 - h. Mr. Brent Richard addressed the Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in opposition of the Proposed Solar Farm and in full support of the Solar Ordinance with the 1-mile setback.
 - i. Mr. Steven DeBuse addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in opposition of the Proposed Solar Farm.

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- j. Ms. Millie Zimmer provided health and safety risks of the Proposed Solar Farm and in favor of the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
- k. Mr. Hugh Andre' regarding Summary No. 5372 in opposition of the Proposed Solar Farm.
- l. Ms. Denise Broussard regarding Summary No. 5372 in favor of the 1-mile setback in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
- m. Ms. Erica Louviere Ford address the Iberia Parish Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in favor of the Proposed Solar Ordinance and voiced safety risks in the event of a storm.
- n. Ms. Jean Babin voiced her concerns to the Iberia Parish Council regarding the Proposed Solar Farm in Summary No. 5372.
- o. Ms. Lisa Courville addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in favor of the 1-mile setback in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
- p. Ms. Virginia Judice addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in favor of the 1-mile setback in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
- q. Ms. Rhonda Hebert voiced her concerns to the Iberia Parish Council regarding safety, hazardous materials and emergency response issues relating to the Proposed Solar Farm.
- r. Mr. Steven Sorrel provided information to the Iberia Parish Council regarding a grid system and electricity requirements in opposition to the Proposed Solar Farm.
- s. Mr. Jeff Savoie addressed the Council in opposition to the Proposed Solar Farm.
- t. Mr. Steve Thibeaux addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding the effect of property values and the possibility of Class Action Lawsuits relating to a Proposed Solar Farm in Iberia Parish.
- u. Ms. Donna Morel addressed the Iberia Parish Council in favor of the 1-mile setback in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
- v. Ms. Cathy DeGroat addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding potential storm damages, hazardous chemicals and waste, effect of property values and the importance of the Industrial Development Board for monitoring the Proposed Solar Farm.
- w. Mr. Jayce Walker with Recurrent Energy in opposition to the Proposed Solar Ordinance and explained disposal of damaged solar waste, engineering according to wind speed, and bonds to cover any disposal fees.
- x. Ms. Ashley Philen addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding Summary No. 5372 in favor of the 1-mile setback in the Proposed Solar Ordinance.
- y. Mr. David DeGroat addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding timelines of the temporary moratoriums, leases and construction terms and his opposition to the Proposed Solar Farm.
- z. Ms. Millie Zimmer on behalf of Ms. Angela Scott, addressed the Iberia Parish Council regarding the effect of property values relating to a Proposed Solar Farm in Iberia Parish.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the Council does hereby recess its Public Hearing and reconvene into Regular Session at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORTS:

1. The Public Works Department Report for Closed Work Orders dated June 25, 2025 - July 8, 2025 were emailed to the Iberia Parish Council.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

1. Adopt the adjusted millage rates for the year 2025 assessment and set forth the adjusted millage rates and roll forward to millage rates not exceeding the maximum authorized rates.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

(To be voted upon at tonight's meeting)

Chairman James P. Trahan requested if there were any items to be removed from Consent Agenda at this time. A request was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr. that Resolution Summary No. 158 be removed for purposes of deletion by the Iberia Parish Council.

Hearing no further requests for removal of items, a motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that the following be adopted:

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of July 9, 2025.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-156

A RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF MR. BERNARD "BEN" JAMES DARBY, SR., FATHER OF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL CARRIE D. TERRY, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 3, 2025.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby acknowledge the recent passing of Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby, Sr., father of Clerk of the Council Carrie D. Terry, who passed away on July 3, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby, Sr. was a son, brother, brother-in-law, son-in-law, husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather, great grandfather, and great great grandfather to his family; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby, Sr. was a veteran of the United States Army, having served in Stuttgart, Germany during peace-keeping efforts of the Cold War Era and was honorably discharged on September 5, 1958; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby, Sr. worked in several industries and ultimately retired from Columbian Chemicals Corporation following nineteen years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, in retirement, Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby, Sr. enjoyed spending time with his beloved wife, Sandra, enjoying road trips, gardening, watching movies, dining out, cheering on the New Orleans Saints and especially spending time with his family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby, Sr. will be deeply missed by his family, his friends, and the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby express its sincere sympathies and condolences to the family of Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby, Sr., father of Clerk of the Council Carrie D. Terry, who passed away on July 3, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be forwarded to the family of Mr. Bernard "Ben" James Darby Sr.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-157

A RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF MS. KABRINA "BEAN" BREAUX BRIDGES, DAUGHTER OF PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKER III SHANE SIGUR, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 3, 2025.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby acknowledge the recent passing of Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges, daughter of Public Works Department Public Worker III Shane Sigur, who passed away on July 3, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges was a daughter, sister, wife, mother, daughter-in-law, and sister-in-law to her family; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges was a graduate of Erath High School Class of 2011; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges was known for her love of the great outdoors, often spending her time hunting, fishing, and camping with family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges had a passion for watching LSU sports, and those spirited seasons became even more vibrant thanks to her enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges will be deeply missed by her family, her friends, and her community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby express its sincere sympathies and condolences to the family of Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges, daughter of Public Works Department Public Worker III Shane Sigur, who passed away on July 3, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be forwarded to the family of Ms. Kabrina "Bean" Breaux Bridges.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-159

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA THROUGH THE COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION AUTHORITY AND IBERIA PARISH GOVERNMENT REGARDING ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF THE LITTLE VALLEY BAYOU WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE PROJECT (TV-0092); TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Iberia Parish Government has an opportunity to accept Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Little Valley Bayou Water Control Structure (TV-0092); to provide for the effective date thereof; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution provides, in part, that "(f)or a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions ... may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other..."; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.5.2(A)(1), the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (the "BOARD") represents the State of Louisiana's position relative to the protection, conservation, enhancement, and restoration of the coastal area of the state through oversight of integrated coastal protection projects and programs and at La. R.S. 49:214.5.2.(A)(7), the BOARD has the power and authority to enter into any contract with any political subdivision of the study, planning, engineering, design, construction, operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any integrated coastal protection project and to this end, may contract for the acceptance of any grant of money upon the terms and conditions, including any requirement of matching the grants in whole or part, which may be necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.6.1, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority ("CPRA") is the implementation and enforcement arm of the BOARD and is directed by the policy set by the BOARD, and pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.6.2 and La. R.S. 49:214.6.3, CPRA shall administer the programs of the BOARD and shall implement projects relative to the protection, conservation, enhancement, and restoration of the coastal area of the State of Louisiana through oversight of integrated coastal projects consistent with the legislative intent as expresses in

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La. R.S. 49:214.1, and the BOARD directs, CPRA to administer and implement the obligations undertaken by the BOARD pursuant to this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the IPG is the governing body of Iberia Parish, with the authority of a local political subdivision to enter into agreements with governmental bodies, such as the BOARD and/or CPRA, for the public welfare, health, safety, and good order of Iberia Parish by virtue of the specific authority granted in its Home Rule Charter and Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the IPG is authorized under La. Const. Article VI, Part III of the Louisiana Constitution to provide for the construction and maintenance of levees, levee drainage, flood protection, and hurricane flood protection within the territorial jurisdiction of the IPG, and all purposes incidental thereto, including on its own behalf or for the areas or the levee districts under its authority; and

WHEREAS, under La. Const. Article VI, Part III, the construction, maintenance, and care and inspection of levees, and all other things incidental thereto, within the jurisdiction of the numerous levee districts and levee authorities established by Louisiana law shall devolve on the levee districts and levee authorities and the boards of commissioners of the respective levee districts and levee authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of lessening the threat of harm to citizens and damage to property in Iberia Parish through the reduction of flooding, by constructing the Little Valley Bayou Water Control Structure Project ("Project" or "Little Valley Bayou Water Control Structure Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project is an integrated coastal protection project eligible for funding under Louisiana Constitution Article VII, Sections 9(B), 10.1 and 10.2, and La. R.S. 49:214.5.4(E) and

WHEREAS, the Project is consistent with the STATE'S 2017 Coastal Master Plan and Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Plan, and is identified as eligible for STATE funding, contingent upon funding being made available to the STATE for the Project; and

WHEREAS, during the construction phase, the STATE and IPG will mutually develop a specific operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement (OMRR&R) plan for the Little Valley Bayou Water Control Structure; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement pertains to construction of the Little Valley Bayou Water Control Structure Project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the President of Iberia Parish to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana, through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Little Valley Bayou Water Control Structure (TV-0092).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish President is also authorized to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana, through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Little Valley Bayou Water Control Structure (TV-0092).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish President is also authorized to execute any and all or agreements, documents or other writings necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-160

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA THROUGH THE COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION AUTHORITY AND IBERIA PARISH GOVERNMENT REGARDING ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF THE RUTTEN RILL ROAD WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE PROJECT (TV-0094); TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Iberia Parish Government has an opportunity to accept Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Rutten Rill Road Water Control Structure (TV-0094); to provide for the effective date thereof; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution provides, in part, that "(f)or a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions ... may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other..."; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.5.2(A)(1), the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (the "BOARD") represents the State of Louisiana's position relative to the protection, conservation, enhancement, and restoration of the coastal area of the state through oversight of integrated coastal protection projects and programs and at La. R.S. 49:214.5.2.(A)(7), the BOARD has the power and authority to enter into any contract with any political subdivision of the study, planning, engineering, design, construction, operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any integrated coastal protection project and to this end, may contract for the acceptance of any grant of money upon the terms and conditions, including any requirement of matching the grants in whole or part, which may be necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.6.1, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority ("CPRA") is the implementation and enforcement arm of the BOARD and is directed by the policy set by the BOARD, and pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.6.2 and La. R.S. 49:214.6.3, CPRA shall administer the programs of the BOARD and shall implement projects relative to the protection, conservation,

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enhancement, and restoration of the coastal area of the State of Louisiana through oversight of integrated coastal projects consistent with the legislative intent as expresses in La. R.S. 49:214.1, and the BOARD directs, CPRA to administer and implement the obligations undertaken by the BOARD pursuant to this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the IPG is the governing body of Iberia Parish, with the authority of a local political subdivision to enter into agreements with governmental bodies, such as the BOARD and/or CPRA, for the public welfare, health, safety, and good order of Iberia Parish by virtue of the specific authority granted in its Home Rule Charter and Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the IPG is authorized under La. Const. Article VI, Part III of the Louisiana Constitution to provide for the construction and maintenance of levees, levee drainage, flood protection, and hurricane flood protection within the territorial jurisdiction of the IPG, and all purposes incidental thereto, including on its own behalf or for the areas or the levee districts under its authority; and

WHEREAS, under La. Const. Article VI, Part III, the construction, maintenance, and care and inspection of levees, and all other things incidental thereto, within the jurisdiction of the numerous levee districts and levee authorities established by Louisiana law shall devolve on the levee districts and levee authorities and the boards of commissioners of the respective levee districts and levee authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of lessening the threat of harm to citizens and damage to property in Iberia Parish through the reduction of flooding, by constructing the Rutten Rill Road Water Control Structure Project ("Project" or "Rutten Rill Road Water Control Structure Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project is an integrated coastal protection project eligible for funding under Louisiana Constitution Article VII, Sections 9(B), 10.1 and 10.2, and La. R.S. 49:214.5.4(E) and

WHEREAS, the Project is consistent with th STATES'S 2017 Coastal Master Plan and Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Plan, and is identified as eligible for STATE funding, contingent upon funding being made available to the STATE for the Project; and

WHEREAS, during the construction phase, the STATE and IPG will mutually develop a specific operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement (OMRR&R) plan for the Rutten Rill Road Water Control Structure; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement pertains to construction of the Rutten Rill Road Water Control Structure Project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the President of Iberia Parish to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana, through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Rutten Rill Road Water Control Structure (TV-0094).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish President is also authorized to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana, through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Rutten Rill Road Water Control Structure (TV-0094).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish President is also authorized to execute any and all or agreements, documents or other writings necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-161

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA THROUGH THE COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION AUTHORITY AND IBERIA PARISH GOVERNMENT REGARDING ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF THE STUMPY BAYOU WATER CONTROL STRUCTURE PROJECT (TV-0095); TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Iberia Parish Government has an opportunity to accept Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Stumpy Bayou Water Control Structure (TV-0095); to provide for the effective date thereof; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution provides, in part, that "(f)or a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions ... may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other..."; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.5.2(A)(1), the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (the "BOARD") represents the State of Louisiana's position relative to the protection, conservation, enhancement, and restoration of the coastal area of the state through oversight of integrated coastal protection projects and programs and at La. R.S. 49:214.5.2.(A)(7), the BOARD has the power and authority to enter into any contract with any political subdivision of the study, planning, engineering, design, construction, operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any integrated coastal protection project and to this end, may contract for the acceptance of any grant of money upon the terms and conditions, including any requirement of matching the grants in whole or part, which may be necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.6.1, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority ("CPRA") is the implementation and enforcement arm of the BOARD and is directed by the policy set by the BOARD, and pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.6.2 and La. R.S. 49:214.6.3, CPRA shall administer the programs of the BOARD and shall implement projects relative to the protection, conservation,

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enhancement, and restoration of the coastal area of the State of Louisiana through oversight of integrated coastal projects consistent with the legislative intent as expresses in La. R.S. 49:214.1, and the BOARD directs, CPRA to administer and implement the obligations undertaken by the BOARD pursuant to this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the IPG is the governing body of Iberia Parish, with the authority of a local political subdivision to enter into agreements with governmental bodies, such as the BOARD and/or CPRA, for the public welfare, health, safety, and good order of Iberia Parish by virtue of the specific authority granted in its Home Rule Charter and Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the IPG is authorized under La. Const. Article VI, Part III of the Louisiana Constitution to provide for the construction and maintenance of levees, levee drainage, flood protection, and hurricane flood protection within the territorial jurisdiction of the IPG, and all purposes incidental thereto, including on its own behalf or for the areas or the levee districts under its authority; and

WHEREAS, under La. Const. Article VI, Part III, the construction, maintenance, and care and inspection of levees, and all other things incidental thereto, within the jurisdiction of the numerous levee districts and levee authorities established by Louisiana law shall devolve on the levee districts and levee authorities and the boards of commissioners of the respective levee districts and levee authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of lessening the threat of harm to citizens and damage to property in Iberia Parish through the reduction of flooding, by constructing the Stumpy Bayou Water Control Structure Project ("Project" or "Stumpy Bayou Water Control Structure Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project is an integrated coastal protection project eligible for funding under Louisiana Constitution Article VII, Sections 9(B), 10.1 and 10.2, and La. R.S. 49:214.5.4(E) and

WHEREAS, the Project is consistent with th STATES'S 2017 Coastal Master Plan and Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Plan, and is identified as eligible for STATE funding, contingent upon funding being made available to the STATE for the Project; and

WHEREAS, during the construction phase, the STATE and IPG will mutually develop a specific operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement (OMRR&R) plan for the Stumpy Bayou Water Control Structure; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement pertains to construction of the Stumpy Bayou Water Control Structure Project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the President of Iberia Parish to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana, through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Stumpy Bayou Water Control Structure (TV-0095).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish President is also authorized to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Louisiana, through the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) and Iberia Parish Government regarding construction of the Stumpy Bayou Water Control Structure (TV-0095).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish President is also authorized to execute any and all or agreements, documents or other writings necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

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A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that Resolution Summary No. 158, which is a Resolution authorizing the Iberia Parish Airport Authority Chairman to accept federal funds in accordance with the Sponsor-State Agreement between Iberia Parish Airport Authority and State of Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) for improvements at the Lemaire Memorial Airport relating to State Project No. H.016263, Runway Overlay - Phase I, Lemaire Memorial Airport Iberia Parish be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that Resolution Summary No. 158 be deleted after discussion with the Iberia Parish Council.

This motion to DELETE having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to DELETE was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Lloyd Brown, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5360

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AND ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY MILLAGE FOR GENERAL PARISH (FORMERLY KNOWN AS GENERAL ALIMONY), WHICH IS LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE RURAL AREAS OF THE PARISH ONLY, AT THE ADJUSTED RATE OF 4.04 MILLS FOR 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Iberia Parish Government:

MILLAGE

General Parish
(Formerly known as General Alimony) 4.04 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

The foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Ordinance adopted at the Iberia Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025, in Chambers, Main Courthouse Building, located at 300 Iberia Street, Suite 410, New Iberia, Louisiana, 70560-4543, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

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New Iberia, Louisiana, this 6th day of August, 2025.

Clerk of the Council, Parish Council
of Iberia Parish, Louisiana

A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., that Ordinance Summary No. 5361, which is an Ordinance setting forth and establishing the property milage for General Parish (Formerly known as General Alimony), which is levied on all taxable property in the rural areas of the Parish only, at the adjusted rated of 4.04 mills and authorizing an increase of said rate to 4.12 mills to be levied for 2025 be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that Ordinance Summary No. 5361 be deleted at this time.

This motion to DELETE having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to DELETE was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

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A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5362

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AND ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY MILLAGE FOR THE EXEMPTED MUNICIPALITIES (FORMERLY KNOWN AS CRIMINAL TAX), WHICH IS LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE MUNICIPALITIES ONLY, AT THE ADJUSTED RATE OF 2.02 MILLS FOR 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Iberia Parish Government:

MILLAGE

Exempted Municipalities (Formerly known as Criminal Tax)	2.02 mills
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

The foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

CERTIFICATE

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New Iberia, Louisiana, this 6th day of August, 2025.

Clerk of the Council, Parish Council
of Iberia Parish, Louisiana

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A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., that Ordinance Summary No. 5363, which is an Ordinance setting forth and establishing the property milage for Exempted Municipalities (formerly known as Criminal Tax), which is levied on all taxable property in the rural areas of the Parish only, at the adjusted rate of 2.02 mills and authorizing an increase of said rate to 2.06 mills to be levied for 2025 be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., that Ordinance Summary No. 5363 be deleted at this time.

This motion to DELETE having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to DELETE was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that Ordinance Summary No. 5364, which is an Ordinance setting forth and establishing a property millage for the Public Library System, which is levied on all taxable property in the Parish, at a rate of 4.50 mills for 2025 be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that Ordinance Summary No. 5364 be deferred to the August 13, 2025 Iberia Parish Council Meeting.

This motion to DEFER having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to DEFER was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

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A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5365

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AND ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY MILLAGE FOR THE PUBLIC BUILDING MAINTENANCE, WHICH IS LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE PARISH, AT THE ADJUSTED RATE OF 4.65 MILLS FOR 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Iberia Parish Government:

MILLAGE

Public Building Maintenance	4.65 mills
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

The foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

CERTIFICATE

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A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5365

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AND ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY MILLAGE FOR THE PUBLIC BUILDING MAINTENANCE, WHICH IS LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE PARISH, AT THE ADJUSTED RATE OF 4.65 MILLS FOR 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Iberia Parish Government:

MILLAGE

Public Building Maintenance	4.65 mills
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

The foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

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New Iberia, Louisiana, this 6th day of August, 2025.

Clerk of the Council, Parish Council
of Iberia Parish, Louisiana

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A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., that Ordinance Summary No. 5366, which is an Ordinance setting forth and establishing a property millage for the Public Building Maintenance, which is levied on all taxable property in the Parish, at the adjusted rate of 4.65 mills and authorizing an increase of said rate to 4.76 mills to be levied for 2025 be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., that Ordinance Summary No. 5366 be deleted at this time.

This motion to delete having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to delete was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Chad Maturin, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5367

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AND ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY MILLAGE FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT, WHICH IS LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE PARISH, AT THE ADJUSTED RATE OF 2.06 MILLS FOR 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Iberia Parish Government:

MILLAGE

Public Health Unit 2.06 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

The foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

CERTIFICATE

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New Iberia, Louisiana, this 6th day of August, 2025.

Clerk of the Council, Parish Council
of Iberia Parish, Louisiana

A motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Ordinance Summary No. 5368, which is an Ordinance setting forth and establishing a property millage for the Public Health Unit, which is levied on all taxable property in the Parish, at the adjusted rate of 2.06 mills and authorizing an increase of said rate to 2.11 mills to be levied for 2025 an increase of said rate to 4.76 mills to be levied for 2025 be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Ordinance Summary No. 5368 be deleted at this time.

This motion to delete having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to delete was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

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A motion was made by Mr. Caymen Crappell, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5369

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH AND ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY MILLAGE FOR DRAINAGE FACILITIES, WHICH IS LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE PARISH, AT THE ADJUSTED RATE OF 3.91 MILLS FOR 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Iberia Parish Government:

MILLAGE

Drainage Facilities	3.91 mills
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

The foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

CERTIFICATE

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New Iberia, Louisiana, this 6th day of August, 2025.

Clerk of the Council, Parish Council
of Iberia Parish, Louisiana

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A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Ordinance Summary No. 5370, which is an Ordinance setting forth and establishing the property millage for Drainage Facilities, which is levied on all taxable property in the Parish, at the adjusted rate of 3.91 mills and authorizing an increase of said rate to 4.00 mills to be levied for 2025 be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Ordinance Summary No. 5370 be deleted at this time.

This motion to delete having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to delete was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Dustin Suire, that Ordinance Summary No. 5372, which is an Ordinance to enact Chapter 120 of the Code of Ordinances of Iberia Parish, Louisiana relative to Renewable Energy Power Plant (Solar Energy) Development; to establish minimum requirements and regulations for the placement, construction, and modification of solar power plants, while promoting the safe, effective, and efficient use of such energy systems; to provide for the effective date thereof; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto, be adopted at this time.

A substitute motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Dustin Suire, that Ordinance Summary No. 5372 be amended to accept the revisions of the second draft of the proposed solar ordinance.

This substitute motion to amend having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, and Brian P. Napier.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the substitute motion to amend was declared FAILED this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A second substitute motion to amend was made by Mr. Brian P. Napier, seconded by Mr. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., that Ordinance Summary No. 5372, be amended to modify the 1-mile radius of property boundaries to one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) mile radius of property boundaries, and, further amend the Industrial Development Board (IDB) to be comprised of seven (7) members appointed by the Iberia Parish Council.

This second substitute motion to AMEND having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr. and Lloyd Brown.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the second substitute motion to AMEND was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Ms. Natalie Broussard, seconded by Mr. Dustin Suire, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5372

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AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT CHAPTER 120 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF IBERIA PARISH, LOUISIANA RELATIVE TO RENEWABLE ENERGY POWER PLANT (SOLAR ENERGY) DEVELOPMENT; TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PLACEMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND MODIFICATION OF SOLAR POWER PLANTS, WHILE PROMOTING THE SAFE, EFFECTIVE, AND EFFICIENT USE OF SUCH ENERGY SYSTEMS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Sec. 120-1. Renewable energy power plants (solar energy).

- (a) *Purpose.* The purpose of this section is to establish minimum requirements and regulations for the placement, construction and modification of solar power plants, as defined herein, while promoting the safe, effective, and efficient use of such energy systems.
- (b) *Definitions.* The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Abandonment. If any solar power plant falls into a state of disrepair or ceases to be used in whole or in part for a period of 180 days, such solar power plant shall be deemed abandoned. Should the cause of the disrepair be due to any natural disaster, or other force majeure, the owner/operator shall request an extension beyond the 180-day period and submit a plan of repair to the parish council.

Accessory solar energy systems includes any photovoltaic, concentrated solar thermal, or solar hot water devices that are accessory to and incorporated into the development of an authorized use of the property, and which are designed for the purpose of reducing or meeting on-site energy needs.

Battery energy storage systems (BESS) means any Solar Energy Equipment that stores electricity for later use.

Concentrating solar thermal devices or concentrated solar thermal power (CST) means systems that use lenses or mirrors, and often tracking systems, to focus or reflect a large area of sunlight into a small area. The concentrated energy is absorbed by a transfer fluid or gas and used as a heat source for either a conventional power plant, such as a steam power plant, or a power conversion unit, such as a sterling engine. Although several concentrating solar thermal technologies exist, the most developed types are the solar trough, a parabolic dish and solar power tower.

Inverter means the devices that convert DC electricity from the panels to usable AC electricity. However, *Hybrid Inverters*, those Inverters that combine inverter and battery charge controller functionality shall be subject to provisions and permitting of the State of Louisiana relating to BESS.

Photovoltaics (PV) means a technology that converts light directly into electricity.

Solar Energy Equipment means any installation of devices, as part of a solar power plant, and shall include, but not be limited to, solar panel, inverter, battery, charge controller

or regulator, combiner boxes, optimizer, racking or mounting structure or system, associated monitoring system hardware, and any mechanical and electrical component thereof.

Solar power plant, except as expressly limited below, means any use of land where a series of one or more solar energy systems are placed in an area on a parcel of land for the purpose of converting sunlight into electricity, photovoltaics (PV), for the primary purpose of whole or retail sales of generated electricity.

(c) *General regulations.*

- (1) All solar power plants must comply with the minimum regulations and design standards set forth in this section.
 - (2) Local, state and federal permits. A solar power plant shall obtain all necessary permits from the state department of environmental quality, including the state division of air quality and the state division of water quality; the state department of natural resources; and any applicable permits required by the parish, and applicable federal permits. A separate permit approved by the Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources will be required before approval of any applications that plan for, or anticipate, any BESS installations.
 - (3) This section shall be supplemental to and shall not abridge any other applicable local, state or federal rules, regulars, or laws, including without limitation any more restrictive provision set forth in this chapter. Should any state or federal legislation go into effect, the owner/developer must comply with any such rules which may apply. The requirements of this article should be considered the minimum requirements, and where any provision of this article imposes restrictions different from those imposed by any other ordinance, rule or regulation, whichever provisions are more restrictive or impose higher protective standards shall be considered to take precedence.
 - (4) A valid permit for installation of a solar power plant on sites zoned for industrial use and ongoing compliance to this section is mandatory for all solar power plants.
- (d) As Iberia Parish continues to grow and embrace new and evolving technologies and innovations, it is imperative that we have a board focused on industrial innovation that is knowledgeable, ready, and able to address challenges and issues attendant with this new growth. As such the Council directs the creation of the Industrial Development Board ("IDB") and appointment of members as allowed and proscribed by the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.
- (1) The IDB shall be composed of:
 - a. The parish council shall appoint seven (7) members to said board.

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- (2) All members shall be appointed for five years or until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. Board members shall serve without compensation; provided, however, the board may authorize a reasonable travel allowance for its members in the performance of their official duties. Vacancies shall be filled by the designating or appointing body for the unexpired portion of the term.
- (3) The IDB once constituted is hereby directed to develop a detailed procedure for implementation of the IDB management and enforcement policy necessary for initial and periodic compliance and enforcement of these regulations. Those policies and procedures shall, at a minimum, include necessary reporting, a schedule of administrative fees that includes, but is not limited to, estimated costs and fees for application review, inspection, monitoring, professional supervision, consultation, and reporting, and include schedules for reimbursement for expenses of training first responders and any and all expenses incurred for emergency response or enforcement of this section, and abatement costs. The reports required to be submitted to the parish council as established by said policy shall include, at a minimum, work orders, inspection, activity reports and schedules of same. At least one annual inspection by the parish on or before June 1, in advance of hurricane season, to confirm ongoing compliance is required, which shall be submitted to the parish council for approval. Thereafter, any changes in the implementation procedure developed by IDB for enforcement of this policy shall be submitted to the parish council at the time the change in said procedure is implemented.
- (4) The council directs the Planning, Zoning, and Development Commission to develop a detailed plan that itemizes costs and bond requirements, including those professionals, equipment, and personnel necessary for planning, development, safety, training, and maintenance of solar power plant sites, including solar energy equipment, and recommendations for insurance and/or protection during extreme weather events (e.g., multi-peril insurance, or other similar protections), which shall be submitted to the parish council for approval. Thereafter, the permit and inspection fees shall be in amounts as established by the parish council from time to time.
- (5) Only after the appointment of the officers of the IDB, approval of the policies and procedures proposed by IDB, approval of the schedule of estimated costs and fees for initial and periodic compliance and enforcement by IDB, and approval of the requisite detailed plan from Planning, Zoning, and Development Commission, shall

applications for solar power plants be accepted for review and approval by the parish.

- (6) The owner/developer shall provide a road maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$80.00 per linear foot of the road right-of-way pending review of the economic index at the time of issuance of the guarantee. The cost per linear foot may vary at the time of inspection. The maintenance guarantee shall become effective upon the notice to proceed and will remain in effect until 90 days after the completion of the project. An approved traffic plan shall be submitted prior to the issuance of the maintenance guarantee. The contractor shall provide both pre- and post- construction reports to verify damage caused by the construction. In the event that roads within the traffic plan sustain damage due to construction activities, all repairs shall be completed within 90 days from the completion of the development and in accordance with parish standards. Substandard road conditions, as a result of construction activities, shall be repaired to the satisfaction of the department of public works within ten calendar days from the written notification thereof. If the road repairs have not been completed in the allotted time frame the road maintenance guarantee will be called in to make the necessary repairs.
- (7) *Application requirements.* All applications and plans for solar power production must be submitted to the Permitting, Planning and Zoning Department of Iberia Parish Government and include all the following:
- a. Name of the project, names and addresses of the business owners, names of the property owners and the engineers and surveyors, including identification and contact information for an individual domiciled and residing in Louisiana to act as agent for applicant
 - b. If the site is leased, a lease memorandum executed by all parties to the lease.
 - c. Date, scale, and accurate north arrow of the site plan showing all property to be included in the project.
 - d. Boundaries and actual dimensions and shape of parcel, including total acreage, with bearings and distances.
 - e. Site plan showing streets, circulations, driveways, service buildings, easements, arrangement and number of solar panels, associated solar energy equipment, and streets; also fencing, gates, signage, and vegetative buffer.
 - f. Horizontal and vertical (elevation) to scale drawing with dimensions that show the location of the solar panels and solar energy equipment on the property.

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- g. Vicinity map showing the location and surrounding land use.
- h. Names and addresses of adjoining property owners and all residents within a one-half (1/2) mile radius of the property boundaries.
- i. Elevation certificate and preliminary drainage plan.
- j. Lane contours.
- k. Plan illustrating the intended layout and green space.
- l. Traffic plan during construction phase.
- m. Fire protection and emergency response plan. All equipment posing a fire risk shall be equipped with a fire monitoring system. The system shall notify off-site emergency personnel, including, but not limited to, the district fire chief and sheriff. The solar power plant and solar energy equipment shall comply with all applicable codes and regulations for fire protection. The fire chief shall be consulted on the design, response plan, and training regimen and shall give written approval prior to any final application approval that the fire department has the access, information, and equipment necessary for response.
- n. Other features and designs as deemed reasonably necessary from time to time by the parish council.
- o. A decommission plan in compliance with this section.
- p. Economic impact report.
- q. Any parcels that are part of the project that is interrupted by a road or other parcels not part of the project must be identified on the site plan labeled as individual areas (example: a, b, c).
- r. An application fee of \$1,500.00 plus 1.2 cents per square foot of gross area of solar panels located within a facility's fenced boundary. This fee shall be paid with the application. No processing or review of the application will begin until these fees have been paid. The fee herein shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the Consumer Price Index published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The fee is not refundable. Any additional fees as set forth or to be established in this regulation shall be payable to Iberia Parish Government and payable prior to the start of any construction.
- s. Public notice requirements Iberia Parish Permitting, Planning and Zoning Department will verify that all public notice requirements have been met prior to the parish council public

meeting. A developer must give a 60-day public notice by certified letters and posting of signage in accordance with the following requirements:

1. The developer must give written public notice of the new proposed development 60-days prior to the parish council public meeting Iberia Parish Government Planning and Zoning Department, to all adjacent property owners, each member of the legislature of Louisiana who represents a District in which the proposed facility to be located by certified mail and must include the following information:
 - (i) State the name and type of development, a narrative description of the proposed development and a map and preliminary site plan of the proposed facility and a narrative description of the proposed development.
 - (ii) Developers name and phone number.
 - (iii) Date and time of the parish council meeting date.
 - (iv) Meeting location address and time.
 2. An applicant shall also cause public notice to be published on three separate days within the period of thirty (30) days prior to the meeting, with at least five (5) days between each publication, which notice shall be published in the official journal of the Parish.
 3. The developer must post a sign behind every public right-of-way adjacent to the development and must meet the following requirements:
 - (i) Sign must be four feet by eight feet in size.
 - (ii) Sign must state the name and type of development.
 - (iii) Developers name and phone number.
 - (iv) Date and time of the parish council meeting date.
 - (v) Meeting location address and time.
- (e) Provisions for permit review. Following the provisions of the parish Code, additional or more thorough consideration shall be given to the following as the parish determines whether the project needs to be approved, denied, or conditionally approved:
- (1) Project rationale. Project rationale, including estimated construction schedule, project life, phasing, and likely buyers or markets for the generated energy.

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- (2) Siting considerations. Siting considerations, such as avoiding areas/locations with a high potential for biological conflict, such as wilderness study areas, areas of environmental concern, parish and state parks, historic trails, special management areas or important wildlife habitat or corridors; avoiding visual corridors that are prominent scenic viewsheds, or scenic areas designed by the parish; avoiding areas of erodible slopes and soils, where concerns for water quality, severe erosion or high storm runoff potential have been identified; and avoiding known sensitive historical, cultural or archeological resources.
- (3) Site and development plans. Site and development plans, which identify and/or locate all existing and proposed structures; setbacks; access routes; proposed road improvements; any existing inhabitable structures within one-half (1/2) mile of a photovoltaic solar project or one-half (1/2) mile of a concentrated solar energy equipment; existing utilities, pipelines, and transmission lines; proposed utility lines; utility and maintenance structures; existing topographic contours; existing and proposed drainageways; proposed grading; areas of natural vegetation removal; revegetation areas and methods; dust and erosion control; any floodplains or wetlands; and other relevant items identified by the parish staff or planning commission. All maps and visual representations need to be drawn at an appropriate scale.
- (4) Due to the complexity of large-scale solar power plant projects, the applicant must submit an economic impact study detailing the estimated economic impact on the parish, including but not limited to jobs created, estimated annual taxes, or any other information that may be required by the parish.
- (5) Visual impacts, appearance, and scenic viewsheds. Potential visual impacts may be caused by components of the project such as above-ground electrical lines, accessory structures, access roads, utility trenches and installations, and alteration of vegetation. More visually sensitive proposals may require analysis from significantly more vantage points, such as different distances and sensitive locations. A photo simulation is required. Significant visual impacts that cannot be adequately mitigated are grounds for denial.
- (6) Wildlife habitat areas and migration patterns. Specifically include information on any use of the site by endangered or threatened species and whether the project is in biologically significant area. If threatened or endangered species exist in the area, consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) will be necessary.
- (7) Environmental analysis. In the absence of a required state or federal agency environmental review for the project [e.g., National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA)] the parish will require an analysis of impacts to historic, cultural and archaeological resources, soil erosion (water and wind), flora, and water quality and water supply in the area.

- (8) Solid waste or hazardous waste. As applicable, the application must include plans for the spill prevention, clean-up, and disposal of fuels, oils, and hazardous wastes, as well as collection methods for solid waste generated by the project.
- (9) Height restrictions and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) hazard review. Compliance with any applicable airport overlay zoning requirements and the ability to comply with the FAA regulations pertaining to hazards to air navigation must be demonstrated if within five nautical miles of an FAA-regulated airport.
- (10) Prior to work and during all construction until complete a transportation plan for construction and operation phases.
- (11) The drainage plan must follow the latest development drainage requirements of the parish, including, but not limited to, the use of retention ponds.
- (12) Stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) is a site-specific written document and drawings required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) for Louisiana Pollution Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) general permits for discharge of stormwater from construction activities) (LAR100000 and LAR200000), LPDES multi-sector general permit, or any LPDES individual permit which describes and ensures the implementation of practices that are to be used to reduce the pollutants in stormwater discharges associated with construction or other industrial activity at the facility.
- (13) Public safety. Identify and address any known or suspected potential hazards to adjacent properties, public roadways, communities, aviation, etc., that may be created by the project.
- (14) Noise limitations. Submit sufficient information regarding noise, so as to demonstrate compliance below 60dBA as in subsection (f)(13) of this section.
- (15) Any related applications for substations, transmission lines, and BESS installations shall be considered in conjunction with application for the solar power plant. The intended route for connecting to the power grid and the alternative locations of any substation must be disclosed with the application for the solar power plant. A separate permit from Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources will be required for BESS installations, but will be subject to location restrictions as set forth herein.
- (16) Decommissioning plan. Describe the decommissioning and final land reclamation plan to be followed after the anticipated useful life, or abandonment, or termination of the project, including evidence of proposed commitments with affected parties (parish, any lessor or property owners, etc.) that ensure proper final reclamation of the solar energy project. Among other things, revegetation and road repair activities should be

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addressed in the plan. Including, but not limited to, disposal of any solar energy equipment, if not being recycled, and the facility where disposal is currently located.

- (17) Other state and federal permits.
 - (18) Substantial modifications to any previous parish council approved site plan.
- (f) *Design standards.*
- (1) Minimum site size. No concentrated solar thermal power plant will be erected in the parish. No photovoltaic solar power plant will be erected on any site less than fifty (50) acres in size.
 - (2) Agreements/servitudes. If the land on which the project is proposed is to be leased, rather than owned, by the solar energy development company, all property within the project boundary must be included in recorded servitudes, leases, or consent agreements specifying the applicable uses for the duration of the project. All necessary leases, servitude, or other agreements between the solar development company and the affected parties must in place prior to commencing construction. A copy of any signed lease memorandum must be submitted with the application and filed with the parish clerk of court.
 - (3) Maximum height. The height of solar panels shall be measured from the highest natural grade below each solar panel to the top of that panel. Panel height shall not exceed 15 feet. Poles and wires reasonably necessary to connect to public electric utilities shall not be subject to this requirement, but shall be subject to all parish ordinances related thereto.
- (4) Setbacks and screening.
- a. The solar power plant must be set back from all project boundary lines which make up the site perimeter with at least a 50-foot vegetative buffer.
 - b. In addition, solar energy equipment must be located on industrial zoned property and located at least one-half (1/2) mile from all existing residential property lines, places of worship, or occupied structures, except:
 - (1) Any property zoned industrial, as of the date this ordinance is enacted, shall be exempt from this requirement and solar power plants may adhere to the minimum setback of 300 feet as proscribed by the State of Louisiana; or
 - (2) A written waiver is executed by all residential property owners, places of worship, or occupied structures within a one-half (1/2) mile radius of the boundary of the property to be developed.
 - c. Any project adjacent to any natural or navigable waterway an additional setback of 50-feet on each

bank of the waterway, as determined from the high-water mark, shall be required. The banks on either side shall not be disturbed by the proposed activities except as expressly allowed by the parish or by permit.

- d. Additional setbacks may be required to mitigate noise, fire safety, or to provide for designated road or utility corridors, as identified through the review process.
- (5) A vegetative maintenance plan is required for general upkeep of the premises. Adherence to the plan will be subject to periodic inspections by the parish.
 - (6) Vegetated areas will not be subject to chemical fertilization or herbicide pesticide application, except for those applications necessary to establish the vegetative cover and in accordance with the approved vegetative maintenance plan.
 - (7) Solar power plants must be constructed with evergreen vegetative screening. Landscape buffers for these developments must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Existing forested vegetative buffers. Existing undisturbed vegetative buffers with six trees over 50 feet deep within every 100 feet of project boundary line shall not be required to install new plant material if the existing vegetation creates a continuous opaque visual barrier within 25 feet of the project boundary line. For existing vegetative buffer locations where gaps are within the visual barrier, shrubs must be added along the edge of the property line as required to create an opaque barrier. New shrubs shall reach a minimum of six feet within a three-year period. Vegetative planting must only use approved native trees and shrubs.
 - b. Landscape buffer zones without any trees or shrubs must install the following planting material:
 1. For every 50 feet of project buffer zone a new 45-foot deep landscape buffer must be installed and comprised of six Class A trees, three Class B trees and 24 shrubs.
 2. Shrubs must be installed in a continuous line as to create a continuous six-foot opaque visual barrier within three years.
 - c. Landscape buffer materials must meet the following requirements:
 1. A minimum of 50 percent of all plants must be evergreen.
 2. No more than 30 percent of any one species will be allowed.
 3. Evergreen trees will be a minimum of six feet in height at installation.

4. Deciduous trees must have a minimum of 2 ½ inches caliper at installation.
 5. All shrubs must be a minimum of 18 inches in height at installation.
 6. A minimum of 50 percent of the evergreen shrubs must reach a minimum of five feet within three years of installation.
 7. All landscaping must be maintained and warrantied for the life of the facility. Any plant material deemed to be unhealthy by the parish must be replaced immediately.
 8. Stamped landscape plans by a licensed landscape architect or landscape horticulturist must be required for permitting. At the completion of the landscape buffer installation a certification of completion signed by the licensed landscape architect or landscape horticulturalist designer of record must be submitted to the parish.
 9. Vegetative planting must only use approved native trees and shrubs.
 10. Failure to continuously maintain the foregoing visual buffers will constitute a violation.
- d. A Maintenance Plan shall be prepared and include a schedule of maintenance of the facility. Schedule should specifically identify and include schedule for grass cutting, shrubbery cutting or replacement, tree maintenance or replacement, and general maintenance of the premises. Alternative vegetation management practices, if being considered, should be set forth in detail for consideration by the parish.
- (8) The individual photovoltaic panels within an array are arranged in a fashion that:
- a. Allows the passage of runoff between each module, thereby minimizing the creation of concentrated runoff.
 - b. Allows for the growth of vegetation beneath the panel and between arrays.
- (9) Power inverters, BESS, and other sound-producing equipment or solar energy equipment that produces a fire risk must be no less than one-half (1/2) mile from any existing residential property lines, places of worship, or occupied structures at the time of construction/installation.
- (10) Safety/access. Fencing and gates are required around the perimeter of all solar power plants. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to block reasonable access to any solar power plant including the required vegetative buffer. This is specific to rights-of-way and roads to be used or built to the solar power plant.

- a. An eight-foot security fence must be placed around the perimeter of the solar power plant. Lock boxes and keys must be provided at locked entrances for emergency personnel access and appropriate access, including, but not limited to, the fire chief, and the sheriff. A 12-foot access servitude inside the fence is required for emergency access.
 - b. Appropriate warning signage must be placed at the entrance and perimeter of the solar power plant project every 200 feet, and shall specify the owner, operator, and include emergency contact information.
 - c. A detailed site map with location and identification of all solar energy equipment on the premises, including identification and location of any disconnection switches shall be attached to a prominent location immediately accessible and of a sufficient size, as approved by the parish, upon entering the premises to assist first responders in locating areas of concern or interest.
- (11) Ground mounted solar panels that are supported with structures/foundations require little earth disturbance for their installation/construction. Unless evidence is provided to the contrary, it will be assumed that little earth disturbance will occur for these ground-mounted solar panels themselves (not including access drive, etc.)
 - (12) These developments must not unduly create a land disturbance.
 - (13) Noise. No operating solar power plant shall produce noise that exceeds in this subsection 60 dBA, as measured at the fence lines of the project boundary. Adequate setbacks must be provided to comply with these limitations.
 - (14) Visual appearance. Lighting of the solar power plant and accessory structures must be limited to the minimum necessary and full cut-off lighting (e.g., dark sky compliant) may be required when determined necessary to mitigate visual impacts. Lights must be shielded and downcast.
 - (15) Electrical interconnections and distribution components must comply with all applicable codes and public utility requirements.
 - (16) Fire protection. All solar power plants must have a defensible space for fire protection in accordance with state and parish fire codes, and shall include an approved fire monitoring system.
 - (17) Experience and research has shown there are legitimate concerns regarding the possibility for solar power plants to cause a glare hazard for pilots and/or traffic controllers. To address these concerns, all applications submitted pursuant to this section for approval of any solar power plant permit must include a detailed map analysis highlighting all airport operation and/or designated flight paths within five nautical miles of the

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outermost proposed boundaries of any proposed solar power plant, and, for all such airport operations or designated flight paths located therein, must additionally include:

- a. A certified letter of a notice of intent to construct a solar power plant (containing, at a minimum, the solar power plant's exact proposed location, types of solar technology devices to be used, and overall size including total acreage and surface areas of all panels or other reflective devices).
 - b. A full report of potential aviation glare hazards (AGH) arising from the proposed solar power plant on all such airport operations and/or designated flight paths using the most recent version of the Department of Energy's Sandia National Laboratories recently developed glare hazard assessment tool (or any other assessment tool required or otherwise recommended by the FAA) in accordance with its user manual, and applying the same evaluation standards required and otherwise recommended by the FAA for evaluating AGH of off-airport solar projects, it being the intent of this section to require all applicants to utilize the most recent and thorough evaluation techniques of measuring AGH then available and required or otherwise recommended by the FAA, as modified from time to time.
 - c. Proof of said notice and full report being actually delivered not less than 90 days prior to the submission of any application for a solar power plant permit made hereunder to all the following: the local airport district office or the FAA with oversight over the parish, for any airport operated under FAA regulations as part of the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) including, (without limitation, the Acadiana Regional Airport and Lemaire Airport); the airport management of all NPIAS and non-NPIAS airports; and the affected military airport or low altitude flight paths in said area.
 - d. Changes in proposed solar power plant design, standards, or type of solar energy equipment, prior to any permit approved under this section, will require proof of re-delivery of an updated notice and full report in accordance with the foregoing provisions.
- (18) Modifications as to the number, size, type of solar energy equipment, or change in location will require an amendment to the application for approval based on the changed conditions. Modifications depending on the scope thereof may result in a reevaluation of the application and could result in a denial or conditional approval. Any additional costs incurred in such reevaluations by professional consultants shall be paid by the applicant.
- (19) Landfarming, burial of discarded or used items, or burning of any materials on the site will be strictly prohibited.

(g) *Permit applications.*

- (1) A permit application is required for each identified area (a, b, c) submitted as part of a project.
- (2) The permit fee is \$60.00 per acre with a minimum fee of \$8,500.00.
- (3) All plans must be certified by a licensed state engineer.
- (4) All solar energy equipment materials must be listed and labeled by a nationally recognized testing agency. Documentation of compliance must be provided with the seal and signature of a licensed design professional in the state.
- (5) All solar panels must be manufactured in the United States, and the manufacturing headquarters must be located in the United States.
- (6) Any permit issued pursuant to this section will expire three years from the date of issuance, unless construction has commenced. After the expiration of a permit, the applicant may reapply.

(h) *As-built plans.* Within 45-days of completion of site construction, a certified as-built plan by an engineer must be submitted to the parish Industrial Development Board for review by a designated engineer and the Iberia Parish Public Works Director for approval. The as-built plan shall include all specifications and locations of all solar energy equipment, including underground components placed on or part of the solar power plant. The parish may require detailed schematics of any solar energy equipment as part of the as-built plan. The as-built plan shall receive approval prior to final inspection and prior to issuance of any letter of completion and/or the notice to proceed to any utility provider. Once approved, it must be filed with the clerk of court.

(i) *Inspections.*

- (1) The parish or its authorized representatives may enter upon the premises and conduct an inspection of the premises, whether during construction, operation, or decommissioning, to verify compliance with any and all permit requirements, standards, ordinance, or guidelines.
- (2) The parish may retain a qualified code inspector, professional engineer, or other licensed professional, consultant, or expert necessary, as determined at the discretion of the Industrial Development Board, to make inspections of the facility during and after construction to confirm that the construction, maintenance, repair, replacement, repowering, removal, and/or decommissioning of the site is performed in compliance with the applicable federal, state, and local electrical, building, environmental and other codes requiring specialized or professional evaluation. The cost and fees incurred by the Parish in retaining said professionals shall be promptly reimbursed by the Applicant/Operator.
- (3) Environmental sampling of the soil or groundwater may be conducted and/or required. If sampling is required,

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advance notice to IDB, or appointed agent thereof, shall be present and observe collection of all samples for testing. No samples shall be mixed, aggregated, or results averaged. A copy of all results shall be sent to IDB from the testing facility.

- (j) *Decommissioning, abandonment, hazard abatement.* A signed and notarized decommissioning plan must be submitted to the parish. It must be in a form suitable to be recorded with the clerk of court. The decommissioning plan must include at the minimum all the following provisions and requirements:
- (1) Plan for decommissioning and hazard abatement to be taken if facility is deemed "abandoned", suspension, or notice of retirement. At least one-year prior to the retirement of the facility written notice must be given to IDB.
 - (2) A five-year financial security deposit in the form of a performance bond, conventional letter(s) of credit, cash, or any combination thereof in the amount of one hundred percent of the estimated decommissioning cost. The cost of decommissioning must be reevaluated every three years and a new bond must be posted to reflect the anticipated cost. Every year a certified letter must be submitted to the parish showing a record of all premiums paid. In the absence of state regulations requiring otherwise, all decommissioning financial assurances shall be made payable to Iberia Parish Government and shall remain in effect for the duration of the project.
 - (3) Any additional conditions which may be defined or established from time to time by the parish council upon which decommissioning will be initiated (i.e., of lease, condition of a potential public safety hazard, etc.).
 - (4) Complete removal of all non-utility-owned solar energy equipment conduits, structures, fencing, roads and foundations, including all buried components; and restoration of property to a condition prior to development of the solar power plant, unless the landowner requests in writing that the access roads not be restored.
 - (5) The decommissioning plan must provide for the remediation of any environmental hazards remaining on the site, as determined by the EPA, state DEQ, or the parish government.
 - (6) The timeframe for completion of removal and decommissioning activities must begin within 60-days of termination of site use, abandonment, or revocation of permit and be completed within 12 months unless otherwise extended by the parish council within its sole discretion for good cause shown.
 - (7) If the solar power plant, the contract, lease, or any other interest in the solar power plant is going to be sold, the new owners must follow the steps required in this subsection (h) for the decommissioning plan, only after written notice and approval by the Iberia Parish Council of any contemplated assignment of lease, but shall in no instance release the original Lessee of its obligations, or financial security, as set forth herein.

- (8) A signed statement from the party responsible for completing the decommissioning plan acknowledging such responsibility.
- (9) If the owner or operator abandons the facility or fails to complete decommissioning within the required timeframe, the parish reserves the right to access the site and perform the decommissioning necessary using the provided financial assurance, including the assistance of any federal, state or other resources regulating the same, and to seek reimbursement for any shortfall in the amount necessary through civil action filed in court.
- (10) The Parish may enlist Parish Staff and/or independent consultants to review the decommissioning plan for permit approval as well as to determine compliance with the decommissioning plan upon cessation of operation, which costs incurred to be paid by the owner/operator or entity responsible for the solar power plant.
- (11) To the extent that any state requirements for decommissioning promulgated pursuant to Act 555 of 2022 preempt local rulemaking authority and therefore render portions of these decommissioning regulations invalid those preempted provisions shall be severed and regulated in accordance with state law. Therefore, until such time as those state law decommissioning statutes are enacted, pursuant to the advice of Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources guidance dated August 28, 2024, Iberia Parish will not issue final approval of any application until those rules are enacted prior to approving new solar facility construction.

(k) *Violations.*

The term "person" as used in this section shall be interpreted to include any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or other similar juridical entity. For the purpose of enforcing this Code, a corporation shall be deemed to be represented by its president, or in his absence the vice-president, or in the absence of both, by the officer or individual in charge of the affairs of the corporation, or the representative thereof as identified as being domiciled and residing in the State of Louisiana. Any such representative shall be held responsible and punished for any violation by the corporation of the provisions of this article.

- (1) Upon finding of any activities on the part of any person which would violate any federal, state, or local laws, rules or regulations, or the provisions of this section, the IDB director or his designee shall notify in writing the persons responsible for such actions indicating the following:
 - a. The nature of the violations.
 - b. The actions necessary to correct the violations.
 - c. The date by which corrective actions should be taken and completed.

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- d. Actions which will take place if such corrective action is not taken.
 - e. When such corrective action has not been taken or is deemed inadequate based upon the conditions listed in this section, an order for the discontinuance of the use or occupation of any land, building or structure or any illegal additions, alterations or structural changes thereto may be issued.
 - f. Any other action authorized by this section to ensure compliance with or to prevent violation of any provision.
- (2) Any person violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished for each offense not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day such violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.
- (1) Effective date. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage, or as soon thereafter as allowed by law, and shall apply to any then-pending permit or approval for which a final decision has not been rendered by the parish.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

The foregoing Ordinance was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Ordinance was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Lloyd Brown.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Brian P. Napier, that the following be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07-5373

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT CHAPTER 8, ANIMALS AND FOWL, SECTIONS 8-26, 8-36, 8-61, 8-63, AND 8-102 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF IBERIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, RELATING TO ANIMALS AND/OR FOWL TO PROHIBIT SUCH ANIMALS AND/OR FOWL FROM RUNNING AT LARGE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL, convened in Regular Session, on this 23rd day of July, 2025, that Chapter 8, Animals and Fowl, Sections 8-26, 8-36, 8-61, 8-63, and 8-102 of the Compiled Ordinances of Iberia Parish, Louisiana, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

SECTION 8-26. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases when used in this chapter shall have the meanings ascribed to them, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Animal means any living vertebrate creature except humans.

Animal control program means the parish rabies and animal control program.

Animal control manager means the person employed by the parish government having the duties and responsibilities of managing the day-to-day operations and maintaining the records of the animal control program.

Animal control official means persons employed by the parish government for the purpose of implementing the parish rabies and animal control ordinance.

Animal establishment means a facility, business, association, or nonprofit agency that houses animals except the parish run animal shelter.

Animal shelter means the parish animal control program shelter owned by the parish and designated for the purposes of impounding, caring for, adopting out and/or disposing of stray, impounded, abandoned, seized, or unwanted animals.

Attendant means a person other than the owner who is harboring or having possession of any animal on behalf of another.

Cat means a domestic cat of either sex that has traditionally been dependent upon humans or kept as a household pet.

Community cat means a free-roaming cat that is without visibly discernible or microchip owner identification of any kind, or is ear-tipped.

Community cat caretaker means any person who provides food, water, or shelter to a community cat(s). A community cat caretaker is not considered the owner, attendant, keeper, or harbinger of the community cat(s) for the purpose of animal limits, criminal or civil liability referenced in this Chapter.

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Community cat program means a program where community cats are trapped, sterilized, vaccinated against rabies, ear-tipped, and returned to the location where they were trapped. A cat may receive a microchip as part of the trap-neuter-vaccinate-return program.

Dog means a domestic dog of either sex that has traditionally been dependent upon humans or kept as a household pet.

Euthanasia means the act of humanely ending an animal's life using methods approved by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Livestock means cattle, sheep, swine, goats, horses, mules, burros, asses and any other farm raised species.

Owner means any person who keeps in his/her care, harbors or has custody of an animal.

Person means any individual, corporation, partnership, trust, firm, association or other legal entity or juridical person.

Rescue organization means an animal welfare organization that takes custody of animals for the purpose of facilitating adoption and houses such animals in foster homes or a shelter.

Restraint means control of an animal which causes the animal to remain in or on the property of the owner or attendant or by a securely fastened leash while off the property of the owner or attendant.

Spayed/neutered means an animal that has undergone a surgical procedure performed by a veterinarian to prevent conception.

SECTION 8-36. Tag and collar.

- (a) Upon complying with the licensing provisions set forth section 8-35, there shall be issued to the owner a numbered metallic tag, stamped with the license number, the issuing body, and the year for which issued. The shape or design of such tag shall be changed from year to year.
- (b) Every owner and/or attendant is required to see that the license tag is securely fastened to the collar or harness of the dog and be worn at all times.

DIVISION 5. IMPOUNDMENT, REDEMPTION AND ADOPTION

SECTION 8-61. Impoundment and redemption.

- (f) If the seized dog or cat is wearing a collar bearing a tag showing the name and address of its owner, the animal control official(s) may return the dog or cat directly to its owner, in lieu of impoundment. If the dog or cat is impounded, the animal control official(s) shall immediately, provide written notice, to the owner of the dog or cat, at the address disclosed on the tag, that the animal has been seized and impounded, and unless the owner or attendant of the animal claims the animal and pays the associated fees within five days from receipt of the notice, the animal shall be rescued, adopted out or euthanized in a humane manner.
- (g) If the ownership of a seized animal is known to the animal control official(s), the animal control official(s) may return the animal directly to its owner, in lieu of impoundment. If

the animal is impounded, the animal control official(s) shall make a reasonable effort within a reasonable time after impounding the animal to notify the owner or attendant of that animal that it has been seized and impounded, and unless the owner or attendant of the animal claims the animal and pays all associated fees within five days of such notice, it shall be rescued, adopted out or euthanized in a human manner.

SECTION 8-63. Community cat programs.

- (a) Community cats are exempt from licensing, tag, stray, leash, nuisance, animal limits, and at large provisions of this Chapter.
- (b) Returning a cat pursuant to a community cat program shall not be considered abandonment under the definitions of this Chapter.
- (c) A community cat received by the shelter or animal services facility may be released prior to the expiration of any holding period to an organization that operates a community cat program or to be returned to the location where it was trapped if the shelter operates a community cat program.
- (d) Nothing in this section shall prohibit or limit the authority of animal control officers and/or other authorized officials to impound a sick or injured cat for the purpose of veterinary treatment or humane euthanasia.

DIVISION 8. PENALTIES

ARTICLE III. WILD, EXOTIC AND VICIOUS ANIMALS

SECTION 8-102. Definitions.

Vicious animal means any animal that constitutes a physical threat to human beings or other animals. The term "vicious animal" does not include law enforcement or guard dogs.

SECTION TWO

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause and/or phrase of this Ordinance or the application thereof is declared unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid by the valid and enforceable judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration or findings shall not affect any of the remaining Ordinance which can be given effect without the unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid provisions of this Ordinance and to that end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

SECTION THREE

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION FOUR

This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

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This Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., seconded by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., that Ordinance Summary No. 5374, which is an Ordinance amending Chapter 20 of the Compiled Ordinances to establish a crosswalk at 4607 W. Admiral Doyle Drive, New Iberia, Louisiana and authorize the Public Works Department to install said crosswalk signs be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Caymen Crappell, seconded by Mr. Dustin Suire, that Ordinance Summary No. 5374 be deferred to the August 13, 2025 Iberia Parish Council Meeting.

This motion to DEFER having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to DEFER was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

26747

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Brian P. Napier, that Resolution Summary No. 153, which is a Resolution appointing one member to the Iberia Parish Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District, representing Iberia Parish, for a four year term to fill a vacancy created by the expiration of term for Rayward Fremin, Jr., whose term expires July 1, 2025 be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Brian P. Napier, that Resolution Summary No. 153 be deferred to the August 13, 2025 Iberia Parish Council Meeting.

This motion to DEFER having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to DEFER was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Lloyd Brown, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-154

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE IBERIA PARISH IBERIA PARISH LEVEE, HURRICANE, AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT, REPRESENTING IBERIA PARISH, FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM TO FILL A VACANCY CREATED BY THE EXPIRATION OF TERM FOR ASHLEY ORPHE, WHOSE TERM EXPIRES JULY 1, 2025. (APPLICATIONS OF INTEREST ON FILE: (A)ASHLEY ORPHE)

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Council is interested in appointing one member to the Iberia Parish Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District, representing Iberia Parish, for a four year term to fill a vacancy created by the expiration of term for Ashley Orphe, whose term expires July 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, an application of interest has been received from Ashley Orphe to be appointed to fill this vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-42 (e) of the Iberia Parish Compiled Ordinances, which establishes a policy requiring two applications to be considered for appointments to Parish Boards/Commissions, is hereby waived for this appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby appoint Ashley Orphe to the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District, representing Iberia Parish, for a four year term to fill a vacancy created by the expiration of term for Ashley Orphe, whose term expires July 1, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said term shall commence on July 2, 2025 and shall terminate on July 1, 2029.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was a follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

26749

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Resolution Summary No. 162, which is a Resolution amending the 2025 Parishwide Drainage Fund Budget in the amount of \$608,000 for the purchase of a Pool Washer Truck, all to be funded from Fund Budget - Previous Years be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Resolution Summary No. 162 be deferred to the August 13, 2025 Iberia Parish Council Meeting.

This motion to DEFER having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Suspend the Rules to discuss and consider Resolution Summary No. 163, as this item was not considered by the Joint Committee.

This motion to Suspend the Rules having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to Suspend the Rules was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-163

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2025 PUBLIC BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,000 TO PROVIDE CARRYOVER FOR A BOUNDARY SURVEY OF NEW IBERIA CITY PARK, ALL TO BE FUNDED FROM FUND BALANCE - PREVIOUS YEARS.

WHEREAS, there has been a request to amend the 2025 Public Buildings Maintenance Fund Budget in the net amount of \$12,000; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2025 Public Buildings Maintenance Fund Budget in the net amount of \$12,000 to provide for carryover of funding for a boundary survey of New Iberia City Park, all to be funded from Fund Balance - Previous Years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby amend the 2025 Public Buildings Maintenance Fund Budget in the net amount of \$12,000 to provide for carryover of funding for a boundary survey of New Iberia City Park, as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
499000 0000 0000 0000	Fund Balance - Previous Years	\$1,145,657	\$12,000
533100 5100 0026 0000	Arch/Eng Services	-0-	\$12,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said adjustments having no effect on Fund Balance.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approval by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

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This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that the Council recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public regarding the proposed expansion item(s) as noted above at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

There were no comments received from the general public on this item.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that the Council recess its Public Hearing and convene in Regular Session at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Expand the Agenda as follows:

1Discuss and consider a motion to expand the agenda to discuss and consider the following items:

SUMMARY NO. 164 (Introduced by Scott Ransonet, District 9)
A Resolution approving amendment to the manning and/or organizational tables for the Executive Branch of Iberia Parish Government as submitted by the Iberia Parish President to include an additional position of Building Inspector to the Planning and Zoning Department's Manning Chart, all in accordance with Sections 4-01(A) and (B) and 4-04 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

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The purpose of this expansion is to expedite the process to include an additional position of Building Inspector to the manning and/or organizational tables.

Note: A motion to Suspend the Rules is needed as this item was not considered by the Joint Committee.

This motion to Expand the Agenda having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Suspend the Rules to discuss and consider Resolution Summary No. 164, as this item was not considered by the Joint Committee.

This motion to Suspend the Rules having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to Suspend the Rules was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Resolution Summary No. 164, which is a Resolution approving amendment to the Manning and/or Organizational Tables for the Executive Branch of Iberia Parish Government as submitted by the Iberia Parish President to include the position of Building Inspector to the Planning and Zoning Department's Manning Chart, all in accordance with Sections 4-01(a) and (b) and 4-04 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter be adopted at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that Resolution Summary No. 164 be deleted.

This motion to DELETE having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to DELETE was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the Council recess its Regular Session and convene in a Public Hearing to hear comments from the public regarding the proposed expansion item(s) as noted above at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

There were no comments received from the general public on this item.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Ms. Natalie Broussard, that the Council recess its Public Hearing and convene in Regular Session at this time.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

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A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ransonet, seconded by Mr. Caymen Crappell, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby Expand the Agenda as follows:

1. Discuss and consider a motion to expand the agenda to discuss and consider the following items:

SUMMARY NO. 165 (Introduced by Scott Ransonet, District 9)
A Resolution amending the 2025 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$151,317 to provide carryover funding for a previously approved position within the Planning and Zoning Department that was not included in the carryforward for this fiscal year.

The purpose of this expansion is to move funding for a previously approved position within the Planning and Zoning Department.

Note: A motion to Suspend the Rules is needed as this item was not considered by the Joint Committee.

This motion to Expand the Agenda having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, and Chad Maturin.

NAYS: Natalie Broussard and Caymen Crappell.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion to Expand the Agenda was declared FAILED this 23rd day of July, 2025.

ORDINANCES INTRODUCED FOR PUBLICATION:

None.

Next Council Meeting:

August 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Please visit the Iberia Parish Government website:

www.iberiaparishgovernment.com to complete the Stormwater Management Survey and view adjudicated properties through Civic Source.

A motion was made by Mr. Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., seconded by Mr. Natalie Broussard, that the Iberia Parish Council does hereby adjourn.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Dustin Suire, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Caymen Crappell, and Chad Maturin.

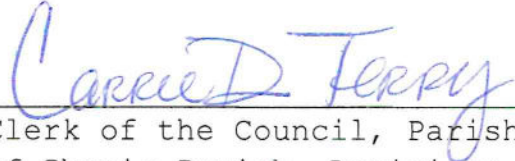
NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Michael R. Landry, Marcus "Bruce" Broussard, Brock Pellerin, and Lady Fontenette Brown.

And the motion was declared adopted this 23rd day of July, 2025.

Chairman James P. Trahan then declared the meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:



Clerk of the Council, Parish Council
of Iberia Parish, Louisiana