

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 1, 2021

The St. Martin Parish Council met in Regular Session convened at 5:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 1, 2021, Carroll J. Fuselier Meeting Room, St. Martin Parish Annex Building, 301 West Port Street, St. Martinville, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chris Tauzin.

The Invocation was read by Brooke Gillespie, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dean LeBlanc.

The following members were present: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc. Members absent: Daniel Richard, Jr. Also present: Parish President Chester Cedars, Director of Administration Calder Hebert, Director of Public Works Kasey Courville, P.E., Parish Attorney Allan Durand and Deputy Clerk of the Council Chantelle Dever.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste to approve the minutes of the St. Martin Parish Council Regular Meeting of May 4, 2021.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

Parish President Chester Cedars discussed the current St. Martin Parish Waste Disposal Program/Contract. President Cedars declared that Pelican Waste & Debris, LLC has been our provider since July 1, 2019. St. Martin Parish experienced significant problems immediately. Those problems included the failure to deliver containers, billing, routes, recycling, and paying the franchise fee. Recently, residents have complained about issues with missed routes and bulky/yard waste pickup. Although most of those issues were resolved, the generation of additional waste by households, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, has imposed significant obstacles which have resulted in the issues again becoming prevalent and/or more pronounced. On May 5, 2021, President Cedars met with Pelican Waste & Debris, LLC to address these issues. At that time, both

parties agreed to a mutual termination of the contract. On May 17, 2021, Parish President Chester Cedars, along with several Council Members, met with Pelican Waste & Debris, LLC to discuss the parameters of the exit plan. President Cedars will execute a Recision Agreement once approved by the Council, with an effective date between October 1, 2021, and January 1, 2022. President Cedars noted he has entertained discourse with other providers, and these discussions are still ongoing. Parish President Chester Cedars mentioned he met with Sellers and Associates to draw up Request for Proposals (RFPs) should he not be able to negotiate a contract with a new provider. Parish President Chester Cedars requested the Council approve and authorize him to confect a Recision Agreement with the current provider, Pelican Waste & Debris, LLC, to continue negotiations with a potential provider, and to initiate RFPs if necessary.

St. Martin Parish resident Andrew Babineaux stated he purchased a second waste container for the five (5) year term of the current waste disposal contract. Mr. Babineaux questioned if the new provider or St. Martin Parish Government would absorb the cost of providing those residents with the extra container(s) they purchased. Parish President Chester Cedars stated this is a critical component of the new contract and something he is working on. Chairman Chris Tauzin mentioned this is also a concern of members of the Council.

A motion was made by Tangie Narcisse and seconded by Byron Fuselier to approve and authorize Parish President Chester Cedars to confect a Recision Agreement with the current provider, Pelican Waste & Debris, LLC, to continue negotiations with a potential provider, and to initiate RFPs if necessary.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Byron Fuselier that consideration of the following ordinance be deferred indefinitely:

ORDINANCE SUMMARY NO. 1323-OR

An Ordinance to enact Section 36-18 of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances to require all mobile home parks, apartment complexes, and recreational vehicle parks to provide commercial grade dumpsters for waste collection.

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has determined that certain provisions of its Zoning Ordinance should be simplified and clarified to allow greater certainty with regard to the provision of metal garbage dumpsters for certain businesses, and

BE IT, THEREFORE, ORDAINED that the Zoning Ordinance for the Parish of St. Martin adopted December 18, 1995 be and the same is hereby amended, effective upon passage of this ordinance as follows:

Chapter 36 is amended to add new section 18 thereof, as follows:

Sec. 36-18. “Garbage Dumpsters Required for Certain Businesses.”

“A. The businesses listed in subsection B, below, are required to provide a commercial grade container onsite for the collection of the garbage from its residents or guests. The container must be able to contain a minimum of eight (8) cubic yards of Household Solid Waste (as defined by Section 36-3) and shall be constructed to be hauled off by truck for dumping of its contents (such containers being commonly referred to as ‘dumpsters’).”

“B. This requirement shall apply to all businesses which operate, in whole or in part, as a Mobile Home Park, an apartment building or complex, or as a recreational vehicle/motor home park. A mobile home park shall enjoy the identical definition as set forth in Section 40:300.1 of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances. A recreational vehicle/mobile home park shall mean a limited geographic area designated to provide a location for temporary or transient occupancy by mobile homes, manufactured homes, motor homes, travel trailers, or other recreational vehicles constructed to be used as sleeping quarters.”

“‘Apartment building or complex’ shall mean any development whereby the buildings or structures therein are occupied, designed, used, or intended to be used, as a residence, whether temporary or permanent, by more than one family.”

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of the St. Martin Parish Council and the signature of the Parish President.

The indefinite deferral of this Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tausin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Ordinance was declared deferred this 1st day of June, 2021.

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A motion was made by David Poirier and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste to open the Public Hearing to obtain public comments regarding ordinances being considered for final adoption.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tausin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

Chairman Chris Tausin asked for public comments regarding each proposed ordinance being considered for final adoption.

Clerk of the Council Brook Gillespie read each Ordinance Summary.

St. Martin Parish resident Brandon Miller asked for clarity on Ordinance Summary No. 1324-OR. Parish President Chester Cedars explained that this Ordinance has been introduced to clarify the fact that a mobile home park is going to be defined the same way that a subdivision is defined. It does not matter who the owners are of the particular units in a mobile home park. President Cedars noted this Ordinance is not preventing mobile home parks from being developed in St. Martin Parish but merely stating that a mobile home park is still classified as a mobile home park despite who the owners might be.

Upon requesting and hearing no further comments from the audience regarding the proposed ordinances being considered for final adoption, the Chairman requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Tangie Narcisse that the Public Hearing be closed.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the motion was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

A motion was made by Brook Champagne and seconded by Dean LeBlanc that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 21-06-1321-OR

An ordinance altering the boundaries of Sales Tax District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing

WHEREAS, by ordinance adopted on January 6, 1998, the St. Martin Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), created Sales Tax District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana (the "District"), in accordance with Section 338.54 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (formerly La. R.S. 33:2721.6), and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, this Governing Authority has determined that it is in the best interest of the District to amend the boundaries of the District to exclude certain territory previously included in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority now wishes to amend the boundaries of the District to exclude the areas described in the legal description attached as **Exhibit A** hereto and as shown on the map attached as **Exhibit B** hereto; provided, however, that the map attached as **Exhibit B** hereto is being provided for convenience only and not as a part of the official description of the amended boundaries of the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the St. Martin Parish Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, and Sales Tax District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. Boundary Alteration. The Governing Authority of the District hereby amends and alters the boundaries of the District to exclude the geographical boundaries described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto, which **Exhibit A** is hereby incorporated in and made part of this Ordinance, pursuant to the Act.

SECTION 2. Existing Sales Tax. The provisions of Ordinance No. 02-09-0256-OR with respect to the collection and administration of the Tax shall remain in full force and effect and applied to all the area within the amended boundaries of the District.

SECTION 3. Publication. This Ordinance shall be published one time in the Official Journal.

SECTION 4. Further Authority. The Parish President and the Clerk of the Council of the Governing Authority are hereby authorized to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the ordinance was declared adopted on this, the 1st day of June, 2021.

/s/ Brooke Gillespie

/s/ Chester R. Cedars

Clerk of the Council

Parish President

EXHIBIT A
Property to Exclude from the
Geographical Boundaries of the District

COMMENCING at a point where the northern right of way line of Interstate Highway I-10 intersects with the centerline of Bayou Teche, a point on the corporate limits boundary of the City of Breaux Bridge, said point hereinafter being known as the POINT OF COMMENCEMENT.

THENCE proceed northerly (upstream) meandering along the centerline of Bayou Teche, the corporate limits boundary of the City of Breaux Bridge, a distance of approximately 1,170 feet to a point of intersection with the projection of the southerly property line of property owned by Neighbor's Investments, LLC, being Tract 4 of Atchafalaya Trace (Future Phases), said point hereinafter being known as the POINT OF BEGINNING.

THENCE proceed northerly and easterly (upstream) meandering along the centerline of Bayou Teche, the corporate limits boundary of the City of Breaux Bridge, a distance of approximately 11,130 feet to a point of intersection with the projection of the easterly property line of property owned by T & V Land, LLC.

THENCE southeasterly along the said property line, the corporate limits boundary of the City of Breaux Bridge, a distance of approximately 1,150 feet to a point where the said property line intersects the northerly right of way line of Louisiana Highway 328.

THENCE continue southeasterly across Louisiana Highway 328, the corporate limits boundary of the City of Breaux Bridge, a distance of approximately 60 feet to a point at the intersection of the southerly right of way line of Louisiana Highway 328 and the easterly property line of property owned by Darryl & Rhonda Dahlquist.

THENCE southeasterly along the said property line, the corporate limits boundary of the City of Breaux Bridge, a distance of approximately 3,170 feet to a point where it intersects the northerly right of way of Interstate Highway I-10.

THENCE westerly along the northerly right of way line of Interstate Highway I-10, the corporate limits boundary of the City of Breaux Bridge, a distance of approximately 473 feet, to a point of intersection with the easterly property line of property owned by Pilot Travel Centers, LLC.

THENCE northwesterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 69 feet to a point of intersection with the easterly property line of property owned by Poche Properties, LLC.

THENCE northwesterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 1,194 feet to a point of intersection with the southerly property line of Bear Creek (Phase II) Subdivision

THENCE southwesterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 1,247 feet to a point of intersection with the southerly property line of property owned by Roy Jude & Catherine Poche, being Parcel A-1.

THENCE southwesterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 1,601 feet to a point being the southwesterly property corner of property owned by Roy Jude & Catherine Poche, being Tract A-1.

THENCE northwesterly along the westerly property line of said Tract a distance of approximately 62 feet to a point where it intersects the centerline of the "unimproved" Ramsey Drive.

THENCE northwesterly along the said centerline a distance of approximately 153 feet to a point along the centerline of the "unimproved" Ramsey Drive.

THENCE southwesterly a distance of approximately 30 feet to a point along the westerly right of way of the "unimproved" Ramsey Drive, also being the northeasterly corner of property owned by Hebert Family Irrevocable Trust.

THENCE northwesterly along the westerly right of way of the "unimproved" Ramsey Drive and along the westerly right of way of Debra Drive (Formerly Ramsey Drive), a distance of approximately 964 feet to a point of intersection with the southerly property line of Lot 18C of North Bridge Subdivision, Part 2.

THENCE southwesterly along the said property line and along the southerly property line of Lot 18F of North Bridge Subdivision, Part 2, a distance of approximately 271 feet to a point of intersection with the westerly property line of Lot 18F.

THENCE northwesterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 330 feet to a point of intersection with the southerly property line of Parcel A, being property owned by HSSS, LLC.

THENCE northeasterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 142 feet to a point of intersection with the easterly property line of Parcel A, being property owned by HSSS, LLC.

THENCE northwesterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 300 feet to a point of intersection with the northerly property line of Parcel A, being property owned by HSSS, LLC.

THENCE southwesterly along the said property line and along the southerly property line of Lot 9 of North Bridge Subdivision, Part 2, a distance of approximately 393 feet to a point of intersection with the westerly property line of Lot 9.

THENCE northwesterly along the said property line and along the westerly property line of Lot 8 of North Bridge Subdivision, Part 2, a distance of approximately 431 feet to a point of intersection with the southerly property line of Lot 7 of North Bridge Subdivision, Part 2.

THENCE northwesterly along the said property line a distance of approximately 100 feet to a point of intersection with the westerly property line of Lot 7 of North Bridge Subdivision, Part 2.

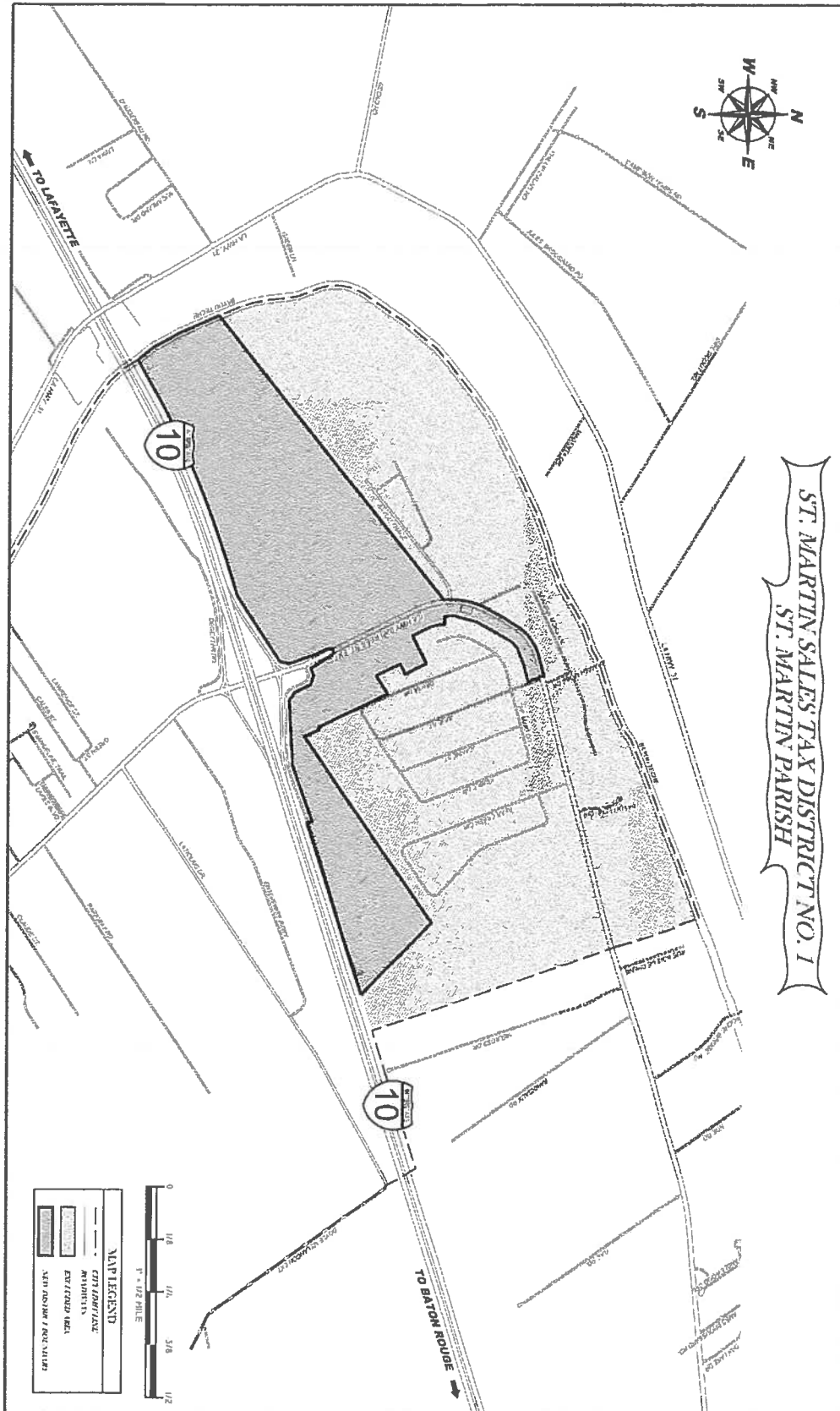
THENCE northeasterly along the said property line and along the boundary of North Bridge Subdivision, Part 2, a distance of approximately 1,492 feet to a point where it intersects the westerly right of way of Julie Street.

THENCE northwesterly along the westerly right of way of Julie Street and across Louisiana Highway 328 a distance of approximately 213 feet to a point at the intersection of the northerly right of way line of Louisiana Highway 328 and the southerly property line of Lot 8 of Badon Estates Subdivision, being property owned by Thomas Keith & Velma Marie Huval.

THENCE southwesterly along the right of way line of Louisiana Highway 328 a distance of approximately 1,754 feet to a point of intersection with the southerly property line of Atchafalaya Trace Subdivision, Phase I.

THENCE southwesterly along the said property line and along the southerly property line of Atchafalaya Trace (Future Phases), a distance of approximately 4,586 feet to a point of intersection with the projection of the said southerly property line and the centerline of Bayou Teche, being the POINT OF BEGINNING.

EXHIBIT B
Map



A motion was made by Byron Fuselier and seconded by Tangie Narcisse that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 21-06-1322-OR

An Ordinance approving the creation of the position of Public Works Project Manager to be appointed by the Parish President, the said position being created to assist the Director of Public Works in the management of capital improvement projects and to perform such other tasks as assigned by the Director of Public Works and approved by the Parish President.

WHEREAS, the Parish President and Director of Public Works have determined that the public works department is in need of an additional administrator to perform professional level administrative work managing various capital and operational improvement projects from proposal stage through final acceptance and closeout; and

WHEREAS, the formal creation of this position will aid the public works department in more effectively, timely, and efficiently responding to the day to day issues associated with public works without compromise to the management of capital projects; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President postulates that the creation of this position, being administrative in nature, arguably constitutes the type of reorganization which warrants Council approval under Section 4-08 of the Home Rule Charter; and

WHEREAS, both the Parish President and Director of Finance have determined that the current budget will accommodate the addition of this position; and

WHEREAS, the said position of Public Works Project Manager should be under the direct supervision of the Director of Public Works:

BE IT, THEREFORE, ORDAINED that the ST. MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL in accordance with the mandates of Section 4-08 of the St. Martin Parish Home Rule Charter does hereby approve of the creation of the position of Public Works Project Manager.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the pay schedule and organizational chart of St. Martin Parish Government be revised to reflect the position of Public Works Project Manager under the Director of Public Works and further that the position be assigned to Pay Range 19 of the said pay schedule.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon signature of the Parish President.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

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A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Carla JeanBatiste that the following ordinance be adopted, as amended:

ORDINANCE NO. 21-06-1324-OR

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 40 of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances to revise the definition of “subdivision” set forth in Section 40-166, to enact Section 300.1 to provide for the definition of “Mobile Home Park”, and to provide for all matters associated therewith.

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has determined that certain provisions of its Code of Ordinances should be clarified to allow greater certainty with regard to the definition and regulation of Mobile Home Parks; and

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has further determined that the definition of “subdivision” should also be revised, all as set forth in Chapter 40 of its Code of Ordinances:

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED that the Chapter 40 of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances be and is hereby amended, revised, enacted, and/or reenacted as follows:

Chapter 40 is amended to revise and restate the definition of *Subdivision* in **Section 40-166**, as follows:

“*Subdivision*” means the division of a lot, tract or parcel of land into five (5) or more lots or other divisions of land which are less than one (1) acre in area for the purpose of sale, lease, or building development, whether immediate or future, for purposes other than agricultural. It includes re-subdivision, and, when appropriate to the context, relates to the process of subdividing the land in question.

Chapter 40 is further amended to add and/or enact **Section 40-300.1**, as follows:

For purposes of this Chapter and Article, “*Mobile Home Park*” shall, anything to the contrary notwithstanding, mean any development of a tract of land owned by one or more persons, firms, or entities whereby the land has been divided into specific lots for the purpose of situating within the subdivided lots or developments three or more mobile homes, house trailers, or manufactured homes for residential or commercial purposes. For purposes of this definition, each lot in the development may be owned by the same or different persons, firms, or entities of any nature.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of the St. Martin Parish Council and the signature of the Parish President.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tausin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Ordinance was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

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A motion was made by Tangie Narcisse and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-045-RS

WHEREAS, in accordance with La R.S. 43:141, the official journal of each parish is to be selected the first meeting in June each year; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of the current official journal for St. Martin Parish expires on June 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby appoint the *Teche News* as the official journal for St. Martin Parish, and that said appointment period will begin on July 1, 2021, and will expire on June 30, 2022.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: Vincent Alexander.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

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A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-046-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing members of the St. Martin Parish Planning Commission whose terms will expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Chip Durand and Mr. Kirk Taylor to serve as members on the St. Martin Parish Planning Commission for five (5) year terms, expiring on June 14, 2026.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

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A motion was made by Byron Fuselier and seconded by Brook Champagne that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-047-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing members of the St. Martin Parish Tree Board and Commissioners whose terms have expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Mr. Daniel Green and Mr. Jim Foret to serve as members on the St. Martin Parish Tree Board and Commissioners for four (4) year terms, expiring on June 1, 2025.

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

- YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier, Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.
- ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

A motion was made by Chris Tauzin and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-048-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Council is interested in reappointing a member of the St. Martin Parish Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4 (Catahoula) whose term will expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby reappoint Ms. Stacey Boudreaux to serve as a member on the St. Martin Parish Waterworks Commissioners District No. 4 (Catahoula) for a three (3) year term, expiring on June 6, 2024.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

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A motion was made by David Poirier and seconded by Dean LeBlanc that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-049-RS

WHEREAS, the St. Martin Parish Government has made an official call for bids for the 2020 Road Improvements Project No. 1, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the advertisement, sealed bids were opened May 19, 2021, and three (3) complete bid packets were received for said project; and

WHEREAS, the bids were taken under advisement and have been analyzed by Duplantis Design Group, PC (DDG); and

WHEREAS, Duplantis Design Group, PC (DDG) has recommended, in writing, the lowest bidder, Elliot Construction, L.L.C., with a Base Bid in the amount of \$2,038,853.45.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby award the contract for the 2020 Road Improvements Project No. 1, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, to the low bidder, Elliot Construction, L.L.C, in the amount of \$2,038,853.45.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby authorize Parish President Chester Cedars to sign all necessary contract documents to effect the award of this contract.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

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A motion was made by Dean LeBlanc and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-050-RS

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION FOR THE LEASE OF ONE (1) 2021 CATERPILLAR 120-14 MOTOR GRADER FOR A TERM OF FIVE (5) YEARS.

WHEREAS, the ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT is in need of one Motor Grader;
and

WHEREAS, the Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation has agreed to lease the Motor Grader to the St. Martin Parish Government for a period of (5) five years; and

WHEREAS, the lease of the equipment is a “pure” lease and does not provide for a purchase of the Motor Grader at the end of the lease term:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Parish President is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to confect a lease agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services for one (1) 2021 Caterpillar Model 120-14 Motor Grader, the said term of the lease being five (5) years and providing for a monthly lease amount of \$2,265.83.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any accord confected by and between the ST. MARTIN PARISH GOVERNMENT and Caterpillar Financial Services shall contain such other terms, conditions, and provisions as the Parish President, acting in his uncontrolled discretion, may deem appropriate.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the Resolution was declared adopted this 1st day of June, 2021.

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Clerk of the Council Brooke Gillespie read ordinances introduced for publication, as follows:

SUMMARY NO. 1325-OR (Introduced by Carla JeanBatiste, District 2)

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 19-12-1281-OR to reflect recent corrections to street names and boundaries for several precincts previously consolidated by the said Ordinance.

SUMMARY NO. 1326-OR (Introduced by Byron Fuselier, District 1)

An Ordinance authorizing the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, to proceed with a not to exceed \$4,600,000 financing through the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority for the purpose of refunding certain bonds of the Authority and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

A motion was made by Carla JeanBatiste and seconded by Byron Fuselier that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby extend the agenda for Ordinance Summary No. 1327-OR.

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

YEAS: Byron Fuselier, Carla JeanBatiste, Tangie Narcisse, David Poirier,
Chris Tauzin, Brook Champagne, Vincent Alexander and Dean LeBlanc.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Daniel Richard, Jr.

And the motion to extend the agenda was declared carried by unanimous vote this 1st day of June, 2021.

SUMMARY NO. 1327-OR (Introduced by Chris Tauzin, District 5)

An Ordinance to amend and/or revise Chapter 14, Article I of the St. Martin Parish Code of Ordinances by the enactment of Section 14-71 entitled, "Council Approval of Developments", all relative to the regulation and permitting of developments, levee construction or removal, and other matters related thereto.

Parish President Chester Cedars declared this item has been added in response to recent flooding in St. Martin Parish.

Prior to adjournment, Parish President Chester Cedars discussed on several matters which did not require Council action. President Cedars informed the Council that money available from the American Recuse Plan Act is not as flexible as originally expected, and expenditures must be related to negative impacts of COVID-19. Parish President Chester Cedars declared he has had several productive meetings relative to the wellness center at the old technology center in Paul Angelle Park in Cecilia. This will afford an opportunity for St. Martin Parish to utilize the money that was received from the abolition of Hospital Service District No. 1. President Cedars mentioned he has a meeting scheduled with Wildlife and Fisheries to discuss a plan for repairing various structures at Lake Martin. Parish President Chester Cedars explained that the state awarded forty million dollars to the eight (8) regions of the Louisiana Watershed Initiative (LWI), with one million allocated to the Cypress Island/Coulee LaSalle Drainage Improvement Project. President Cedars acknowledged that St. Martin Parish officials were the first in Acadiana to talk about watershed from a global perspective and also asked the voters to allocate twenty (20) million dollars to address watershed issues. Finally, Parish President Chester Cedars declared we received over thirty (30) inches of rain between May 10 and May 20. The St. Martin Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness is still determining how many homes received damage. Chairman Chris Tauzin requested everyone keep Council Member Dean LeBlanc and Public Works employee Travis Zacharie in their prayers, as they have both experienced loss of family members.

A motion was made by David Poirier and seconded by Tangie Narcisse that the St. Martin Parish Council does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE:



BROOKE GILLESPIE
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL