

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO: 5027

ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL SPONSOR: BINDER/BRISTER

PROVIDED BY: COUNCIL ATTORNEY

INTRODUCED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

ON THE 6 DAY OF JUNE, 2013

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, SEC. 2-010.00 COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT NO. 1 RELATIVE TO THE COMPOSITION OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND RELATED MATTERS.

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Communication District No. 1 was duly created by Ordinance P.J.S. No. 86-620, adopted May 15, 1986, and became Section 2-010.00 of the Parish Code of Ordinances, and

WHEREAS, to ensure public safety and parish wide representation, the Parish Council desire to amend Section 2-010.00.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED THAT THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL hereby amends the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Sec. 2-010.00, to henceforth read as follows:

SEC. 2-010.00 Communication District No. 1

(1) **Established:** There is established a Communication District entitled "St. Tammany Communication District 1" which shall comprise all the territory lying wholly within the Parish. The District shall be a political and legal subdivision of the State, with power to sue and be sued in its corporate name and to incur debt and issue bonds. The issuance of debt shall be as prescribed in R.S. 33:9101.

(2)**Purpose:** The purpose of the District is to shorten the time required for a citizen to request and receive emergency aid. The District is to establish the number 911 as the primary emergency telephone number for use by the District.

(3) **Board of Commissioners:** The Board of Commissioners shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the following method:

1. Three (3) members appointed by the Parish Council representing the Parish Governing Authority who may be Parish Council members;

2. One (1) member appointed by the Parish President;

3. One (1) member appointed by the Parish Council representing the Parish Sheriff's office;

4. One (1) member appointed by the Parish Council representing the Municipal Police Chiefs who shall be nominated by a vote of said Police Chiefs.

5. One (1) member appointed by the Parish Council representing the District Fire Chiefs who shall be nominated by a vote of said Fire Chiefs.

6. The Executive Director of the District shall be a non-voting ex-officio member of the Board of Commissioners.

(4) **Compensation:** The St. Tammany Communication District No. 1 commissioners may receive a per diem of seventy-five dollars (\$ 75.00) for attendance at regular and special meetings of the commission for a maximum of twenty-four (24) meetings per year payable from the funds of the district. Elected officials of parish government attending meetings as members of the commission shall not be eligible for receipt of the per diem.

(5) **Powers, Methods, Funding:** The powers of the commission, methods available, and funding for the District shall be as prescribed in R.S. 33-9103-9106. Additionally, the Board of Commissioners shall have jurisdiction over the finances of the District including but not limited to the adoption of the budget, approval of expenditures and contracts exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$ 5,000.00) and the setting and payment of all salaries and benefits.

(6) **Advisory Board:** The Board of Commissioners shall establish an Advisory Board which shall have jurisdiction over the operational aspects of the District including but not limited to providing direction to and supervision of the Executive Director and staff. The Advisory Board shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the following method:

1. One (1) member appointed by the Parish President;
2. One (1) member appointed by the Parish Council;
3. One (1) member appointed by the Sheriff;
4. One (1) member appointed by the Municipal Police Chiefs;
5. One (1) member appointed by the District Fire Chiefs;
6. One (1) member appointed by the Parish School Board;
7. One (1) member appointed by the Parish Hospital Service Districts.

The Advisory Board members may be compensated at the same rate as the Commissioners as stated hereinabove.

**REPEAL:** All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SEVERABILITY:** If any provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions herein which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after adoption.

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREUPON THIS ORDINANCE WAS SUBMITTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

YEAS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

THIS ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED DULY ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THE 11 DAY OF JULY , 2013 ; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO \_\_\_\_\_.

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JERRY BINDER, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

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PATRICIA P. BRISTER, PARISH PRESIDENT

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Delivered to Parish President: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013 at \_\_\_\_\_

Returned to Council Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013 at \_\_\_\_\_