

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

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ON THE 4 DAY OF SEPTEMBER , 2014

ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM DISTRICT IN ST. TAMMANY PARISH

WHEREAS, LSA R.S. 33:130.791 through 33:130.795 authorized St. Tammany Parish to create a geographic information system ("GIS") district; and

WHEREAS, there is a Parish need for creation of a GIS district.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS: that the St. Tammany Parish Council, acting in its capacity as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Tammany, hereby establishes the St. Tammany Parish Geographic Information System District;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the St. Tammany Parish Council amends the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2 to include the following provisions for the St. Tammany Parish Geographic Information System District, as follows:

CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE XIV ST. TAMMANY PARISH GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM DISTRICT

Sec. 2-140.00 St. Tammany Parish Geographic Information System District. There is established a geographic information system district entitled "St. Tammany Parish Geographic Information System District" (herein, the "District"), whose jurisdiction shall be coterminous with the territorial boundaries of the Parish of St. Tammany. The District shall be a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana.

Sec. 2-140.01 Purpose. (1) The purpose of the District shall be for the development and application of geographic information systems, including but not limited to base data regarding property ownership, population, demographics, political boundaries, emergency service areas, land use, streets, addresses, roads, bridges, utilities, easements, servitudes, rights-of-way, subdivisions, flood plains and subdivision restrictions. (2) The District may also assist with homeland security and emergency preparedness as well as the technical aspects and support of the various geographic information system computer systems of political subdivisions and other public entities within the Parish of St. Tammany, including but not limited to advice and support on geographic information system hardware, software, networking, or other such geographic information system information technology issues.(3) The District may also share data, efficiencies, and purchasing power with other political subdivisions and public entities within the Parish of St. Tammany.

Sec. 2-140.02 Board of Commissioners; Membership. The District shall be governed by a Board of Commissioners (herein, the "Board"), composed of no less than five (5) and no more than nine (9) members as follows:

(1) The President of the St. Tammany Parish Government or their designee.

(2) The Assessor of the Parish of St. Tammany or their designee.

(3) One (1) member shall be appointed by the governing board of the St. Tammany Parish Communication District No. 1, and such appointee may also be a board member of the St. Tammany Parish Communication District No. 1.

(4) The St. Tammany Parish Council shall appoint one (1) member nominated by a majority of the mayors of the municipalities located in St. Tammany Parish.

(5) The St. Tammany Parish Council shall appoint one (1) member nominated by a majority of the chiefs of the fire districts located in St. Tammany Parish.

(6) The St. Tammany Parish Council may appoint up to four (4) additional members of the board. Each additional member shall represent a political subdivision, organization or other entity located within St. Tammany Parish. Only one (1) member may be appointed to represent any particular political subdivision, organization or other entity. The St. Tammany Parish Council may establish additional criteria that a political subdivision, organization or other entity must meet for representation on the board.

Sec. 2-140.03 Board of Commissioners; Term; Reappointment; Compensation.

(1) Each board member serving pursuant to Sec. 2-140.02(1) and (2) shall serve during their term of office.

(2) Board members serving pursuant to Sec. 2-140.02(3), (4) and (5) shall serve four (4) year terms after the initial terms provided for in this paragraph. One (1) member shall serve an initial term of two (2) years; one (1) member shall serve three (3) years; and one (1) member shall serve four (4) years, all as determined by lot at the first meeting of the board. Board members serving pursuant to Sec. 2-140.02(6) shall serve four (4) year terms. The first two (2) members appointed pursuant to Sec. 2-140.02(6) shall serve initial terms of two (2) years.

(3) Any designee serving on the board shall serve at the pleasure of the designating authority.

(4) Any vacancy which occurs prior to the expiration of the term for which a member of the board has been appointed shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.

(5) Members of the board shall be eligible for reappointment.

(6) Members of the board shall serve without compensation.

Sec. 2-140.04 Officers; Quorum; Rules.

(1) The board shall elect from its members a chair, vice chair, secretary and treasurer. The board may combine such offices or elect other officers as it deems necessary.

(2) The board shall keep minutes of all meetings and shall make them available through the secretary of the board to residents of the District. The minute books and archives of the District shall be maintained by the secretary of the board. The monies, funds and accounts of the District shall be in the official custody of the board.

(3) The board may adopt bylaws or such other rules and regulations as it deems necessary or advisable for conducting its business affairs.

(4) The board shall hold regular meetings at least quarterly and may hold special meetings at such times and places within the District as may be prescribed by the board.

(5) A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 2-140.05 Powers and Duties.

(1) The District shall have and exercise all powers of a political subdivision necessary or convenient for the purpose of funding the District and carrying out its objects and purposes, including but not limited to the following:

(a) to incur debt;

(b) to sue and be sued;

(c) to adopt, use and alter at will a corporate seal;

(d) to adopt bylaws and rules and regulations;

(e) to receive by gift, grant, donation or otherwise any sum of money, property, aid, or assistance from the United States, the state of Louisiana or any political subdivision thereof, or any person, firm or corporation;

(f) to enter into contracts, agreements or cooperative endeavors with the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations and with any public or private association, corporation, business entity or individual;

(g) to elect officers and appoint agents and employees, prescribe their duties and fix their compensation;

(h) to acquire property by purchase, gift, grant, donation, lease or otherwise;

(i) to establish monetary, bank and investment accounts; and

(j) to establish committees or subcommittees.

(2) The provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed to authorize or grant the power of expropriation to the District.

Sec. 2-140.06 **Budget.**

(1) The District shall adopt an annual budget in accordance with the Local Government Budget Act, LSA R.S. 39:1301, et seq., as same may be amended, restated or re-codified from time to time.

(2) The District shall be subject to audit by the Legislative Auditor pursuant to LSA R.S. 24:513, as same may be amended, restated or re-codified from time to time.

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 2 DAY OF OCTOBER , 2014 ; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO _____.

R. REID FALCONER, AIA, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

PATRICIA P. BRISTER, PARISH PRESIDENT

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Ordinance Administrative Comment

**ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM DISTRICT IN
ST. TAMMANY PARISH**

Act No. 155 of the 2014 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature (codified as LSA R.S. 33:130.791 – 130.795) authorized the governing authority of St. Tammany Parish to establish a GIS district. St. Tammany Parish now desires to establish the GIS district.