

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO. 3214 ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. _____

COUNCIL SPONSOR MR STEFANCIK PROVIDED BY COUNCIL OFFICE

INTRODUCED BY _____ SECONDED BY _____

ON THE 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2006.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 03-0723, ADOPTED JULY 10, 2003, TO APPROVE A TEMPORARY CHANGE IN SIX POLLING BOOTH LOCATIONS FOR 20 PRECINCTS : A01, A02, A03, A04, 601, 705, 905, 906, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, S12, S13, S14, S15, S17, S24, AND S25.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:534 provides for changing of polling places; and

WHEREAS, due to Hurricane Katrina, which had a devastating impact on the Parish of St. Tammany on August 29, 2005, the Parish Council has had to reevaluate the condition of all polling locations. Several locations are unable to accommodate election needs and meet election requirements due to damages incurred. After evaluations were completed, it was determined that temporary polling location changes are necessary to accommodate voters; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council has determined it necessary to move the current polling location at Abita Springs Town Hall, 22161 Level Street, Abita Springs, LA 70420, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish School Board has agreed to the use of it's Abita Springs Elementary School, 22410 Level Street, Abita Springs, La. 70420, as a new polling location for Precincts 601, A01, A02, A03, and A04; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council has determined it necessary to move the current polling place location at Bayou Liberty Civic Club, 57350 Ball Park Road, Slidell, La. 70460, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany School Board has agreed to the use of it's Bayou Woods Elementary School, 35614 Liberty Drive, Slidell, La. 70460, as a new polling location for Precincts 908 and 912; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council has determined it necessary to move the current polling location at Brock Elementary School, 259 Brakefield Street, Slidell, La. 70458, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell has agreed to the use of it's Municipal Auditorium, 2056 2nd Street, Slidell, La. 70458, as a new polling location for Precincts S12, S13, and S14. In addition, the St. Tammany Parish School Board has agreed to the use of it's St. Tammany Junior High, 701 Cleveland Ave., Slidell, La., 70458, as a new polling location for Precincts S24 and S25; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council has deemed it necessary to move the current polling location at First Baptist Church, 4141 Pontchartrain Drive, Slidell, LA 70458, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell has agreed to the use of it's Municipal Auditorium, 2056 2nd Street, Slidell, La. 70458, as a new polling location for Precinct S15; and

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WHEREAS, the Parish Council has determined it necessary to move the current polling place location at Salmen High School, 4040 Berkley Street, Slidell, La. 70458, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell has agreed to the use of it's Municipal Auditorium,, 2056 2nd Street, Slidell, La. 70458, a Public Events Center, as a new polling location for precinct S17. In addition, the Northshore Harbor Center, has agreed to the use of it's facility, 100 Harbor Center Blvd., Slidell, La., 70461, as a new polling location for Precincts 909, 910, and 911; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council has determined it necessary to move the current polling location at St. Genevieve Catholic Church, 58189 Hwy 433, Slidell, La. 70460, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish School Board has agreed to the use of it's Bayou Woods Elementary School, 35614 Liberty Drive, Slidell, La. 70460, as a new polling location for precinct 705, 905, and 906; and

WHEREAS, a change of polling location is subject to U.S. Justice Department approval.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS that Ordinance Council Series No. 03-0723, adopted July 10, 2003, be amended to change the polling booth location for precincts:

A01, A02, A03, A04, and 601

from their current location at Abita Springs Town Hall to Abita Elementary,

705, 905, and 906

from their current location at St. Genevieve Catholic Church to Bayou Woods Elementary,
908 and 912

from their current location at Bayou Liberty Civic Club to Bayou Woods Elementary,
909, 910, and 911

from their current polling location at Salmen High School to North Shore Harbor Center,
S12, S13, and S14

from their current location at Brock Elementary to Slidell Municipal Auditorium,
S15

from it's current polling location at First Baptist Church to Slidell Municipal Auditorium,
S17

from it's current polling location at Salmen High School to Slidell Municipal Auditorium,
S24 and S25

from their current polling location at Brock Elementary to St. Tammany Junior High,

and to be effective subject to U.S. Justice Department approval, beginning the first eligible election day on April 1, 2006.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Registrar of Voters is hereby directed to process notification of polling booth changes by any and all means he deems appropriate under the circumstances to individual voters in the areas affected by this change.

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 effect 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 immediately upon final adoption.