

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO: 6958

ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO: _____

COUNCIL SPONSOR: BINDER/COOPER

PROVIDED BY: CIVIL DIVISION ADA

INTRODUCED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

ON THE 5 DAY OF MAY , 2022

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES,
ST. TAMMANY PARISH, CHAPTER 18, SECTION 18-152 -
EXEMPTIONS TO PROVIDE FOR REVISIONS

WHEREAS, regulations pertaining to prohibitions for applications of any herbicides on Parish right-of-way, ditch, servitude, drainage area, roadside, road shoulder, green area, buffer zone, waterway, neutral ground or median in the unincorporated areas of St. Tammany Parish were codified as Section 18-150; and

WHEREAS, Parish desires to amend Ordinance Section 18-152 - Exemptions to exempt St. Tammany Parish Government from prohibitions from the manner of treating unincorporated parish drainage areas, waterways, ponds and/or land areas using herbicides.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS: that Section 18-152 of the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances is amended as follows:

Sec. 18-152. - Exemptions.

(a) Exempt herefrom are hand held manual pump sprayers up to a maximum three-gallon capacity.

(b) Exempt herefrom are federal and state agencies on bonafide missions to clear and prevent aquatic plants from blocking waterways which would ultimately inhibit drainage and impede water traffic.

(c) Exempt herefrom is St. Tammany Parish Government, and its employees, agents and/or contractors, on bonafide missions in unincorporated areas of the parish to (1) clear and/or prevent aquatic plants from blocking drainage areas, ditches, waterways and/or ponds which would ultimately inhibit drainage and/or (2) clear and/or prevent invasive species vegetation from any parish owned or controlled property, right-of-way, servitude, roadside, road shoulder, green area, buffer zone, neutral ground and/or median.

REPEAL: All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.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 JUNE, 2022; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO _____.

JERRY BINDER, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

MICHAEL B. COOPER, PARISH PRESIDENT

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Ordinance Administrative Comment

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ST. TAMMANY PARISH,
CHAPTER 18, SECTION 18-152 - EXEMPTIONS TO PROVIDE FOR REVISIONS

Parish seeks to amend the ordinances preventing usage of herbicides (otherwise allowed and/or regulated under State law) in unincorporated areas. This exemption will allow Parish Government and its contractors more efficient means of removing aquatic vegetation that is impeding drainage and removing invasive vegetative species from Parish owned/controlled land that is spreading and creating monoculture habitats unsuitable to native species.