

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO: 5699 ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO: _____

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MICHELE BLANCHARD PROVIDED BY: COUNCIL ATTORNEY

INTRODUCED BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

ON THE 3 DAY OF NOVEMBER , 2016

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 16 PARKS, RECREATION AND SCENIC NEIGHBORHOODS, ARTICLE I IN GENERAL, SECTIONS 16-001.00 THROUGH 16-006.00, TO AMEND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR NORTHSORE BEACH (WARD 9, DISTRICT 13).

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Government has determined that further revisions to the Code of Ordinances concerning a public park and beach area are necessary and in the best interest of the Parish and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the area known as North Shore Beach on Debbie Drive along the shore of Lake Pontchartrain in Slidell, Louisiana, although small in area, continues to increase in popularity among Parish citizens and/or other Louisiana residents, and this has resulted in a substantial increase in the number of people visiting the beach, and surrounding area, and utilizing the same for recreational purposes; and

WHEREAS, intensified use of the beach and adjacent park property, as well as use and consumption of alcoholic beverages thereon, has led to further pressures and incidents on the beach and surrounding residential neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to address the aforementioned pressures and incidents, and in order to ensure the health, safety and welfare of Parish citizens, patrons of North Shore Beach and residents of the surrounding residential neighborhood, St. Tammany Parish Government determines that Chapter 16, Article I of the Code of Ordinances should be revised to include additional rules and regulations for the use of North Shore Beach.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS: that it amends the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 16, Article I, Sections 16-001.00 through 16-001.00, to establish additional rules and regulations for the use of North Shore Beach Park as follows, to wit:

CHAPTER 16 PARKS, RECREATION AND SCENIC NEIGHBORHOODS

ARTICLE I IN GENERAL

SEC. 16-001.00 North Shore Beach Park

A. RULES AND REGULATIONS:

For the health, benefit and enjoyment of beach patrons and the neighborhood surrounding North Shore Beach on Debbie Drive in Slidell, Louisiana, the following rules and regulations shall apply to both the beach and adjacent park property:

- (1) Hours of operation: Daylight to Dark.
- (2) No glass containers allowed.
- (3) No littering or dumping allowed.
- (4) No smoking allowed.

(5) No open fires, firearms or fireworks allowed (This shall not apply to the display of fireworks with express parish authority, nor to duly authorized law enforcement agents on bonafide assignments).

(6) Dogs, horses, or other pets are not allowed, except guide dogs accompanying visually impaired persons or hearing ear dogs accompanying hearing impaired persons.

(7) No audio or playing of electronic, amplified music before 9:00 a.m.

(8) Nuisance noises and sounds that are unreasonably loud and intrusive, so as to be disruptive within the park or surrounding community are prohibited (See also Code Chapter 14).

(9) No overnight camping.

(10) Motorized or electric vehicles are not allowed.

(11) Swimming and other similar water activities will be at patrons' own risk. St. Tammany Parish provides no lifeguards.

(12) Motorized boats and personal watercraft are not allowed on the shoreline of Lake Pontchartrain adjacent to Northshore Beach Park.

(13) Alcoholic Beverages will not be allowed except for special events. A special event organizer/sponsor must obtain a temporary alcohol permit and conform to state law in accordance with La. Administrative Code title 55, part 7, section 323 and any other applicable state law, and St. Tammany Parish Ordinance Section 3-157.00(C).

(14) Parking of motorized or electric vehicles of any kind for patrons of North Shore Beach Park shall at all times be limited to any of the twenty-six (26) parking spots fronting on Debbie Drive, the location of which have previously been designated by St. Tammany Parish Department of Public Works and/or other St. Tammany Parish Departments.

(15) The no parking on entire Right of Way shall be on Debbie Drive starting at a point one hundred (100) feet east of Clara Drive going east for one thousand (1,000) feet less and except a two-hundred (200) foot area designated and with signage depicting this area by Public Works. The parking area will be for single perpendicular parking only. All parish and fire station employees will be exempt.

(16) Use of any dumpster or garbage receptacle placed on the premises of North Shore Beach Park at the discretion of St. Tammany Parish Government shall at all times be limited to patrons of North Shore Beach Park, and during regular hours of operation as noted above in Sec. 16-001.00(A)(1). A dumpster or garbage receptacle shall only be used to contain trash, debris, refuse and other non-toxic material generated at North Shore Beach Park. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful to dump, place or deposit the following items in any such dumpster or garbage receptacle:

(a) Furniture, including, but not limited to, sofas, couches, tables, beds, mattresses, chairs, recliners and/or similar items;

(b) Electronics and appliances, including, but not limited to, televisions, computers, lamps, air conditioners, stoves, water heaters, dishwashers, freezers, washing machines, dryers and/or similar items;

(c) Household attachments and/or home construction, repair or building supplies, including, but not limited to, doors, windows, tiles, wood, carpets, cabinets, bricks, concrete and/or similar items;

(d) Hazardous waste or toxic items;

(e) Waste products from commercial operations;

(f) Any items which might affect the health or enjoyment of any patron of North Shore Beach Park;

(g) Deceased animals, reptiles or livestock, or any remains, entrails or waste thereof.

(17) It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally break, disturb or remove any dumpster or garbage receptacle that has been placed on the premises of North Shore Beach Park by St. Tammany Parish Government or Parish-authorized collection authorities, or the contents therein.

(18) All food and drink items shall be prohibited between the period of October 1 and April 30 and during the remaining months all items brought to the beach area must be removed at the time the patron who brought the items leaves the beach area.

B. PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT:

Except where state law or parish ordinance supersedes and provides for more stringent penalties, any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 500.00) or imprisonment in the parish jail for not more than thirty (30) days, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Enforcement of this section shall be by the Parish, Parish Sheriff’s Office or any other applicable agency with jurisdiction to enforce the provisions stated herein.

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 1 DAY OF DECEMBER , 2016 ; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO _____.

MARTY DEAN, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

PATRICIA P. BRISTER, PARISH PRESIDENT

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