

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-4887

COUNCIL SPONSOR: STEFANCIK/BRISTER PROVIDED BY: BOND COUNSEL

RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION AND REDEDICATION OF THE JUSTICE CENTER SALES AND USE TAX AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RENEWAL OF THE JAIL SALES AND USE TAX THEREIN; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish on SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2018, between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

PARISHWIDE PROPOSITIONS

PARISHWIDE PROPOSITION NO. 1  
(JUSTICE CENTER SALES TAX EXTENSION & REDEDICATION)

Shall St. Tammany Parish (the "Parish") continue to levy and collect the existing Justice Center sales and use tax authorized at an election on January 17, 1998 for an additional 10 years from April 1, 2018 at the reduced rate of one-fifth of one percent (1/5%) (an estimated \$ 9,040,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), and shall the proceeds of the Tax, on and after March 31, 2018, be used solely for (i) the original purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, operating and maintaining the St. Tammany Parish Justice Center Complex (including continuing operations for similar facilities in eastern St. Tammany) and including acquisition of land, equipment and furnishings therefor, title to which shall be in the public, and (ii) the additional purpose of addressing mental and behavioral health by providing at least 10% of the tax proceeds for the operation of 22nd Judicial District Specialty Courts in the Parish, including, but not limited to, the Behavioral Health Court, Re-Entry Court, Adult Drug Court, Juvenile Drug Court, Sobriety Court, Veterans Court and Family Preservation Court, with authority to fund said tax into bonds for said capital purposes?

PARISHWIDE PROPOSITION NO. 2  
(JAIL SALES TAX RENEWAL)

Shall St. Tammany Parish (the "Parish"), continue to levy and collect the existing Jail sales and use tax authorized at an election held on January 17, 1998 for an additional 10 years from April 1, 2018 at the reduced rate of one-fifth of one percent (1/5%) (an estimated \$ 9,040,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), solely for the continued purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, operating and maintaining jail facilities for the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff to incarcerate prisoners, including the acquisition of land, equipment and furnishings therefor, title to which shall be in the public, with the authority to fund the proceeds of said tax into bonds for any of the aforesaid capital purposes?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the St. Tammany Farmer, a newspaper of general circulation within the Parish, published in Covington, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the Parish, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers of the Parish Government Complex, 21490 Koop Drive, Mandeville, Louisiana, on TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2018, at SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places for the precincts in the Parish are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the Parish will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Clerk of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Chairman and/or Clerk of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of St. Tammany Parish and the Registrar of Voters of St. Tammany Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to levy and collect the sales and use taxes provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

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

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

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

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 2 DAY OF NOVEMBER , 2017,  
AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING  
PRESENT AND VOTING.

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STEVE STEFANCIK, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK