ORDINANCE 026, 4TH SERIES

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER \$90.006 TO THE ST. JAMES CITY CODE PERTAINING TO PUBLIC NUISANCES

The City of St. James does ordain:

Section 1. Title XV of the City Code is amended by revising Chapter §90.006 to read as follows:

§ 90.006 AUTHORITY TO ABATE AND REMEDIATE.

- (C) City abatement and remediation. The city is authorized to abate and/or remediate public nuisances in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section upon expiration of the time provided in the notice and order.
- (1) The city shall be authorized to contract services of a third party to abate any public nuisance on a property when the property owner, occupant or property agent has provided written consent.
- (2) If written consent is not provided, the city may proceed with any legal remedies available, including a search warrant court order to enter the property, to complete the abatement of the declared public nuisance.
- (3) The City Manager, or his/her designee, shall be fully authorized to direct funds to assure prompt abatement and remediation of public nuisances.
- (4) In addition, the city may impose an administrative penalty in an amount set by Council for each day that the nuisance remains unabated.

Section 2. <u>Effective Date.</u> The effective date of this ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication.

First Reading:	<u>February 18, 2025</u>
Second Reading:	March 4, 2025
Date of Publication:	March 13, 2025
Date Ordinance Takes Effect:	March 13, 2025
Adopted by the City Council this day of	of, 2025.
ATTEST:	Christopher Whitehead, Mayor
Kristin K. Hurley, City Clerk	