ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO.: 8191 ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO.: 26-_____

COUNCIL SPONSOR: LAUGHLIN/IMPASTATO/PRES. COOPER PROVIDED BY: PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

INTRODUCED BY: MR. IMPASTATO SECONDED BY: MR. LAUGHLIN

ON THE 1st DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 400-7 OVERLAY DISTRICTS OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE TO UPDATE THE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES WITHIN THE RES-1 AND RES-2 RESILIENCE OVERLAY DISTRICTS (PARISHWIDE)(2026-4766-ZC)

WHEREAS, the Parish Comprehensive Plan supports coastal and ecological conservation efforts that benefit existing residential areas. These efforts include proactive land management approaches that (1) regulate future development to balance existing substantial flood risk with sustainable growth in the Parish, (2) preserve sensitive natural floodplains and wetlands, (3) provide critical defense against coastal land loss, and (4) limit flood damage to life and property; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Coastal Resilience Study was to support future sustainable development in the Study Area through the development of practical and implementable recommendations to amend local zoning districts, future land use designations, and land management strategies; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Council recognizes that the purpose of the RES-1 and RES-2 Resilience Overlay Districts is to promote resilient building practices, reduce flood risk, and protect public safety, property, and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council declares that providing clear and objective design standards for non-residential properties promotes fair application of regulations, improves administrative efficiency, and aligns with best practices in floodplain management; and

WHEREAS, it is important to mitigate flood risk in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in order to lower insurance rates and promote the construction of resilient structures; and

WHEREAS, best practices for building construction in floodplain and coastal areas provide mitigation options for both building construction and stormwater management.

NOW, THEREFORE, ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT HEREBY ORDAINS that Part II: The Unified Development Code, Chapter 400 – Zoning, Section 400-7 – Overlay Districts, is hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit “A”, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

REPEAL: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.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 be effective 10 days after final signature.

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY:_____ SECONDED BY:_____

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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 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 26-_____.

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CHERYL TANNER, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

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KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

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MICHAEL B. COOPER, PARISH PRESIDENT

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