ST.TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO.: 8219 ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO.: 26-_____

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MR. CORBIN/PRES. COOPER PROVIDED BY : FINANCE

INTRODUCED BY:_____ SECONDED BY: _____

ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2026 OPERATING BUDGET - AMENDMENT NO. 15
ANIMAL SERVICE AND JURY SERVICE FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Parish has prepared an operating budget in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1305 and generally accepted accounting principles.

ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT HEREBY ORDAINS that the 2026 Operating Budget is amended as follows:

	Current Budget	Amendment	Revised Budget
SECTION II: The Special Revenue Funds are amended as follows:			
112 - ANIMAL SERVICES FUND			
Revenues			
Ad Valorem Tax	3,101,900.00	-	3,101,900.00
Ad Valorem for Capital	(61,000.00)	(190,000.00)	(251,000.00)
Other Revenues	492,000.00	-	492,000.00
Less: Collection Fees and Assessments	(108,434.80)	-	(108,434.80)
Net Revenues	3,424,465.20	(190,000.00)	3,234,465.20
Expenditures	3,663,459.07	100,000.00	3,763,459.07
Revenue over (under) Expenditures	(238,993.87)	(290,000.00)	(528,993.87)
Beginning Fund Balance	4,335,270.50	-	4,335,270.50
Less Minimum Fund Balance Policy: 1 year of gross revenue	3,558,900.00	-	3,558,900.00
Ending Available Fund Balance	537,376.63	(290,000.00)	247,376.63
136 - JURY SERVICE			
Revenues	150,500.00	55,000.00	205,500.00
Expenditures	254,786.00	55,000.00	309,786.00
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Revenue over (under) Expenditures	(104,286.00)	-	(104,286.00)
Beginning Fund Balance	219,462.64	-	219,462.64
Less Minimum Cash Policy: 3 Months Operating Costs	63,696.50	13,750.00	77,446.50
Ending Available Fund Balance	51,480.14	(13,750.00)	37,730.14

REPEAL: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEVERABILITY: If any provisions of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision 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 upon adoption and execution.

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 MEETING OF THE ST TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 3RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 2026 AND BECOMES ORDINANCE SERIES NO. 26-_____.

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CHERYL TANNER, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

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KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, CLERK OF COUNCIL

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MICHAEL B. COOPER, PARISH PRESIDENT

Published Introduction: OCTOBER 28, 2026
Published Adoption: _____, 2026

Delivered to Parish President: _____, 2026 at _____
Returned to Council Clerk: _____, 2026 at_____

Administrative Comment
Amendment No. 15 - 2026 Operating Budget - November 2026

This budget amendment is to:

a. **112 - ANIMAL SERVICES FUND** **FUNDING SOURCE: AD VALOREM TAX**

To increase the expenditure budget by $100,000 for the spay and neuter program, which has been an overwhelming success and has exceeded this year's budgeted expectations. $100,000 is being requested from the department's fund balance to ensure invoices can continue to be paid through December 2026. Approximately 11,300 surgeries have been paid for since 2019, which is roughly $570,000 in total through up to 15 different veterinary partners. We have increased from 378 surgeries on a $20,000 budget in 2019 to 2,969 surgeries on $265,000 in 2025, and have 2,469 surgeries already invoiced for 2026. Redemption sits around 60% on average year to year. With animals getting fixed in St. Tammany, we are seeing progress in several areas. Since 2019, the shelter has seen a decrease in intakes by 26% amongst dogs and especially cats, compounding each year and saving shelter space and lives.

To amend the budget by $190,000 to transfer out funds for the Animal Services Complex HVAC capital project, to upgrade the current HVAC system at the Animal Services shelter. The total project budget is $618,000.

See Companion Ordinance to Amend the 2026 Capital Improvement Budget and Capital Assets - Amendment No. 19 - Animal Services Capital Projects.

b. **136 - JURY SERVICE FUND** **FUNDING SOURCE: COURT COSTS**

Amend the budget to adjust revenues for projected receipts for the fiscal year based on collections to date and historical actuals, and amend the budget to increase expenditures based on the projected actuals as a result of R.S. 13:3049(B)(1)(b). Effective August 1, 2026, the mileage allowance shall be an amount equal to the rate in effect for state officials for each mile necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the courthouse. The State's travel guide, which uses the GSA rate, is $0.76 per mile. Prior to that, the mileage rate was $0.16 per mile.