

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO: 8059

ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO: 26-\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MR. IMPASTATO

PROVIDED BY: COUNCIL OFFICE

INTRODUCED BY: MR. IMPASTATO

SECONDED BY: MR. BURKE

ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2026

ORDINANCE TO EXTEND A SIX (6) MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE RECEIPT OF SUBMISSIONS BY THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AND/OR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR PLACEMENT OF ANY NEW RESIDENCE OR DWELLING WITHIN TAMMANY FOREST SUBDIVISION, LOCATED WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 7, EAST OF HWY 434 AND ON THE EAST AND WEST SIDES OF BERRY TODD ROAD.

WHEREAS, on April 04, 2024, the Parish Council adopted Ordinance Council Series No. 24-5409, imposing a six (6) month moratorium, and subsequently, adopted Ordinance C.S. No. 24-5573, 25-5707, and 25-5825, extending for an additional six (6) months a moratorium on the receipt of submissions by the St. Tammany Parish Department of Planning and Development and/or the issuance of permits by the Department of Permits and Inspections for the construction or placement of any new residence or dwelling within Tammany Forest Subdivision, as described on the attached recorded plat, located within the geographic boundaries of Council District 7, east of Hwy. 434 and on the east and west sides of Berry Todd Rd.; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article XVI, Section 2-620 provides for the issuances of moratoriums in the Parish when necessary to protect and preserve the health, safety and property interests of residents; and

WHEREAS, the State and Federal Governments are currently addressing and planning infrastructure improvements, such as improvements to local, state, and federal highways; and

WHEREAS, the data on which these plans and studies are based must be relatively stable in order to provide the most accurate means to address Tammany Forest's infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article XVI, Section 2-619 specifically allows for a moratorium in the receipt of submissions by the Department of Planning and Development and the issuance of building permits for the construction and/or placement of structures by the St. Tammany Parish Permits and Inspection Department; and

WHEREAS, the moratorium excludes accessory structures, as the Council recognizes that such structures are typically incidental and subordinate to principal uses, and generally do not present the same planning, infrastructure, or community impact concerns as primary developments; and

WHEREAS, high density residential dwellings within Tammany Forest, which is zoned a critical drainage area, are rapidly expanding to outpace the Parish's current infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and highways and drainage that has resulted in flooding issues; and,

WHEREAS, in order to maintain such stability, it is necessary to suspend receipt of applications or the issuance of permits for the construction or placement of new residences or dwellings within Tammany Forest Subdivision.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS that it extends for six (6) months the moratorium on the receipt of submissions by the St. Tammany Parish Department of Planning

and Development and/or the issuance of permits by the St. Tammany Parish Department of Permits and Inspections for the construction or placement of any new residence or dwelling within Tammany Forest Subdivision, as described on the attached recorded plat, located within the geographic boundaries of Council District 7, east of Hwy 434 and on the east and west sides of Berry Todd Road.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this moratorium shall not apply to the issuance of permits for accessory buildings and/or accessory structures.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be effective immediately upon final adoption and shall remain in effect through October 03, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the moratorium herein imposed may be vacated, in whole or in part, either by resolution or ordinance of the governing body pursuant to Chapter 2, Article XVI, Section 2-624 of the Parish Code of Ordinances.

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 upon adoption and signature of the Council Chair and Parish President.

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 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 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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Returned to Council Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_, 2026 at \_\_\_\_\_