

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO.: 25-

PROVIDED BY: FINANCE

SECONDED BY: _____

ORDINANCE LEVYING INCREASED MILLAGE RATES FOR THE YEAR 2025 FOR ANIMAL SERVICES

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS: that in a public meeting held on July 10, 2025 which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the Parish Council voted to increase the millage rates, but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rates, on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2025, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rates are:

	MILLAGE TRACKING	ADJUSTED MILLAGE	2025 LEVY
PARISH GOVERNMENT			
ANIMAL SERVICES	1069098	.93	1.00

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____

ABSENT:

THIS ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THE 10TH DAY OF JULY 2025, AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING IN FAVOR; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 25-.

JOE IMPASTATO, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, CLERK OF COUNCIL

MICHAEL B. COOPER, PARISH PRESIDENT

Published Introduction: MAY 28, 2025

Published Adoption: _____, 2025

Delivered to Parish President: _____, 2025 at _____

Returned to Council Clerk: _____, 2025 at _____

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the ordinance adopted at the board meeting held on ____ day of _____ at which meeting at least two-thirds of the members was present and voting.

Mandeville, Louisiana, this ____ day of _____, 2025

Katrina L. Buckley, Clerk of Council
St. Tammany Parish

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENT
MILLAGE ORDINANCE – JUNE 2025

The voters approved the levy of 1.00 mill for the Animal Shelter, with an authorized levy period from 2019-2028, at the December 8, 2018 election. The Animal Shelter millage is for acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining, and operating an animal shelter for the Parish, including necessary equipment and facilities therefore. This millage is vital to support the life-saving efforts and to maintain the no-kill status for Animal Services.

The millage for Animal Services is proposed to be rolled forward from .93 mills to 1.00 mill. A roll forward is when the millage rate is increased after reassessment from the adjusted maximum millage rate to a rate not more than the prior year's maximum and not more than voter-approved maximum millage rate.

The estimated amount of tax revenues to be collected parish-wide (net of uncollectible accounts) from 1.0 mill is \$3,026,797, which would be an increase of \$211,876. This is presented gross before the statutory deduction for pension assessment fees.

As shown on page 3 of the 2025 Operating Budget Ordinance, operating expenditures exceed revenues by approximately \$529,164. Therefore, funds from the roll forward would be used to decrease the reliance on the dwindling fund balance for annual operations.

The estimated cost for 1.00 mill to a home valued at \$300,000 is \$22.51, which would be an increase of \$1.58 over the levy of .93 mills.