

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO.: C-7025

COUNCIL SPONSOR: LAUGHLIN/COOPER

PROVIDED BY: ENGINEERING

RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY THAT ST. TAMMANY PARISH SHALL
COMPLY WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA
OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Code of Federal Regulations as enacted by the United States Congress mandates that all structures defined as bridges located on all public roads shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and that an inventory of these bridges be maintained by each State; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility to inspect, rate and load post those bridges under the authority of St. Tammany Parish in accordance with these Standards is delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to St. Tammany Parish.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that the St. Tammany Parish Government (herein referred to as the Parish) does certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (herein referred to as the DOTD) that for the period of 1 January 2025 through 31 December 2025:

1. The Parish has performed and will continue to perform the required interim inspections on all Parish inventoried bridges in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and Specifications for the National Bridge Inventory;
2. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish have been and will continue to be structurally analyzed and rated by the Parish as to the safe load capacity in accordance with the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Manual for Bridge Evaluation. The load posting information that has been determined by the DOTD for all bridges where the maximum legal load under Louisiana State law exceeds the load permitted under the operating rating as determined above has been critically reviewed by the Parish. Load posting information has been updated by the Parish to reflect all structural changes, any obsolete structural ratings, or any missing structural ratings;
3. All Parish owned or maintained bridges which require load posting or closing have been and will continue to be posted or closed in accordance with the table in the DOTD Load Rating Directives. All DOTD supplied load posting information concerning a bridge has been critically reviewed by the Parish Engineering prior to load posting;
4. All bridges owned or maintained by the Parish are shown on the attached list in the format specified by the DOTD. Corrections to data supplied to the Parish by the DOTD are noted;
5. All bridges owned and maintained by the Parish are accessible to DOTD for all routine bridge inspections. Parish will clear vegetation as required upon DOTD request.

These stipulations are prerequisites to participation by the Parish in the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that it shall comply with all requirements of the State of Louisiana Off-System Bridge Replacement Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE; THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2024 AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

ARTHUR A. LAUGHLIN, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

KATRINA BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENT

This resolution supports the Department of Engineering in the implementation and use of a Traffic Calming Program for St. Tammany Parish.