

## ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 24 -

PROVIDED BY: FINANCE

SECONDED BY: MR. STRICKLAND

ORDINANCE LEVYING INCREASED MILLAGE RATES FOR THE YEAR 2024 FOR ANIMAL SERVICES.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS that in a public meeting held on September 5, 2024, 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 2024, 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	2024 LEVY
PARISH GOVERNMENT			
ANIMAL SERVICES	1069098	.93	1.00

**REPEAL:** All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.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 become effective upon adoption and execution.

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREUPON, THIS ORDINANCE WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF, SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, AND THE ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED BY NO LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS OF THE TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL VOTING IN FAVOR AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE VII, SECTION 23(C) OF THE LOUISIANA CONSTITUTION AND R.S. 47:1705(B). AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

YEAS:

**NAYS:**

**ABSTAINING:**

ABSENT:

THIS ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2024, AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING IN FAVOR; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 24-.

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ARTHUR A. LAUGHLIN, COUNCIL CHAIR  
ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, CLERK OF COUNCIL

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MICHAEL B. COOPER, PARISH PRESIDENT  
ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT

Published Introduction: JUNE 26, 2024

Published Adoption: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

Delivered to Parish President: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 at \_\_\_\_\_

Returned to Council Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENT  
MILLAGE ORDINANCE – JULY 2024

The millage for Animal Services is proposed to be rolled forward. A roll forward is when the millage rate is increased after reassessment from the adjusted maximum millage rate to a rate not in excess of the “prior year’s maximum.” The roll forward would be to the maximum authorized levy which is the same as the 2023 levy.

The Animal Shelter millage is for acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining, and operating an animal shelter for the Parish, including necessary equipment and facilities therefore. The authorized levy period is from 2019-2028. This millage is vital to support the life-saving efforts and to maintain the no-kill status for Animal Services. As shown on page 3 of the 2024 Operating Budget Ordinance, operating expenditures exceed revenues by approximately \$275,345. Therefore, funds from the rollforward would be used to decrease the reliance on the fund balance for annual operations.

The estimated amount of tax revenues to be collected in the next tax year is \$3,103,226, an increase of \$217,226. These amounts are presented gross before deductions for pension assessment fees and uncollectible accounts. The estimated cost to a home valued at \$300,000 is \$22.50, an increase of \$1.58.

However, the millage for the St. Tammany Parish Coroner’s Office is proposed to be decreased by .42 mills, which will result in no overall additional cost to taxpayers from these actions.

	2023 LEVY	2024 ADJUSTED MILLAGE	2024 LEVY AT THE MAXIMUM AUTHORIZED
PARISH GOVERNMENT			
ANIMAL SERVICES	1.00	.93	1.00