

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
CITY OF WEST MONROE

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION BY: \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE, APPROVE, RATIFY AND CONFIRM EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WEST MONROE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE METRO NARCOTICS UNIT REGARDING THE TRANSFER AND USE OF A CERTAIN SEIZED VEHICLE; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution authorizes political subdivisions of the State to engage in cooperative endeavors for a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, Metro Narcotics Unit ("Metro"), has obtained ownership of a certain seized vehicle, pursuant to a Judgment of Forfeiture dated March 9, 2026;

WHEREAS, The City of West Monroe ("City") desires to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement ("CEA") with Metro to facilitate the use of said vehicle in undercover surveillance and investigations related to violations of the Louisiana Controlled Dangerous Substances Law;

WHEREAS, the CEA provides for the transfer of ownership of the vehicle to the West Monroe Police Department for purposes of insurance, maintenance, and operational use by an assigned officer in furtherance of Metro operations;

WHEREAS, the West Monroe Police Department will be responsible for liability insurance, maintenance, and expenses incidental to operation of the vehicle;

WHEREAS, the City's Mayor and Board of Aldermen finds that authorizing, approving, ratifying and confirming said CEA serves a valid public purpose by enhancing interagency cooperation and law enforcement effectiveness in narcotics investigations;

NOW, THEREFORE,

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City and Metro, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," is hereby authorized and ratified.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that Staci Albritton Mitchell, as Mayor of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, or her designee, be and is hereby authorized to execute the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and any and all documents necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, authorize and accept the transfer of ownership of the certain seized vehicle more particularly described in the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement attached as Exhibit "A", and agrees to maintain liability insurance, maintenance, and operational expenses as provided in the Agreement.

The above Ordinance was read and considered by Sections at a public meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, in regular and legal session convened, voted on by yea or nay vote, passed and adopted the 7th day of April, 2026, the final vote being as follows:

YEA: \_\_\_\_\_

NAY: \_\_\_\_\_

NOT VOTING: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

APPROVED THIS 7TH DAY OF  
APRIL, 2026

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ANDREA PATE, CITY CLERK  
CITY OF WEST MONROE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA

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STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL, MAYOR  
CITY OF WEST MONROE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA