#### STATE OF LOUISIANA

#### CITY OF WEST MONROE

ORDINANCE NO. 5479

MOTION BY: welch

SECONDED BY: Hamilton

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO SELL CERTAIN DESCRIBED IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WHICH IS NOT NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC PURPOSE BY THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO 371 EXCHANGE, LLC, FOR THE CASH SUM OF \$135,600.00; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, owns certain immovable property which is not needed for public purposes, and

WHEREAS, the price offered, and the terms and conditions provided for the purchase of that property is fair and reasonable, and the sale and development of that immovable property will be beneficial to the City of West Monroe and its residents.

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 City of West Monroe, Louisiana ("CITY") is hereby authorized to sell certain immovable property which is not needed for any public purpose by the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, which property is more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

See attached Exhibits "A" and "B" and depicted on the Plat attached a Exhibit "C" to 371 EXCHANGE, LLC, or its approved successors or assigns ("BUYER") for and in consideration of the cash sum of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$135,600.00) DOLLARS, subject to the following conditions:

- a) Subject to any and all subdivision or development restrictions of record, and all rights-of-way and/or servitudes of record or of use; and
- b) CITY reserves and excludes from this conveyance any and all right, title and interest in and to any and all oil, gas and other minerals in, on or under the property, all of such interests being expressly reserved by CITY without any warranty whatsoever from or by BUYER; provided, however, that CITY expressly waives any and all surface rights in and to the Property resulting from this reservation; and CITY may not exercise any rights it may have in and to such oil, gas and other minerals in such a fashion that CITY's right to the use of the surface of the property is disturbed so as to have a substantial negative impact on the operation of any business located upon the property.
- c) Those further terms, conditions and provisions as set forth in that Agreement To Purchase and Sell Vacant Land attached as Exhibit "D".

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,

Mayor of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, be and she is hereby authorized to execute a Deed on behalf of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, reflecting the price and terms set forth above, and to take any other action or execute any and all other documents deemed by her either necessary or appropriate in order to transfer the above described immovable property as set forth above, including but not limited to including provisions, whether in the deed or in an unrecorded supplemental agreement, that limits the nature of the initial construction and operation of the business to be located on that property to a certain types of activity, that requires the construction to be initiated within a certain time and/or pursued in a commercially reasonable manner through to completion by a certain date, together with any and all such other requirements and provisions as she deems appropriate, including a provision that provides for a right and option in favor of the City of West Monroe to reacquire the property at the same price if such conditions are not timely met, or to provide for liquidated damages or other consideration payable to the City of West Monroe in lieu of such reacquisition, the terms, conditions or provisions of all of such conditions to be as determined appropriate by the Mayor; or, supplemental to the above, to enter into an agreement To Buy and Sell which reflects those terms and provisions preparatory to the later sale of the property.

SECTION 3. The above ordinance was introduced on May 8, 2025, in special and legal session convened; notice of this ordinance was published three times in fifteen (15) days, one week apart, as required by R.S. 33:4712; no opposition being filed, it is considered by sections, voted on by yea and nay vote, passed and adopted in regular and legal session convened this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2025, with the final vote being as follows:

YEA:	
NAY:	
NOT VOTING:	
ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	
	APPROVED THIS 3RD DAY OF
	JUNE, 2025.
ANDREA PATE, CITY CLERK	STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL, MAYOR
CITY OF WEST MONROE	CITY OF WEST MONROE
STATE OF LOUISIANA	STATE OF LOUISIANA

# Exhibit "A"

Tract 1
1.535 Acres±
Section 32, T-18-N, R-3-E
Land District North of Red River
Ouachita Parish, Louisiana
L & A, Inc. Project No. 25S006.00

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# Exhibit "B"

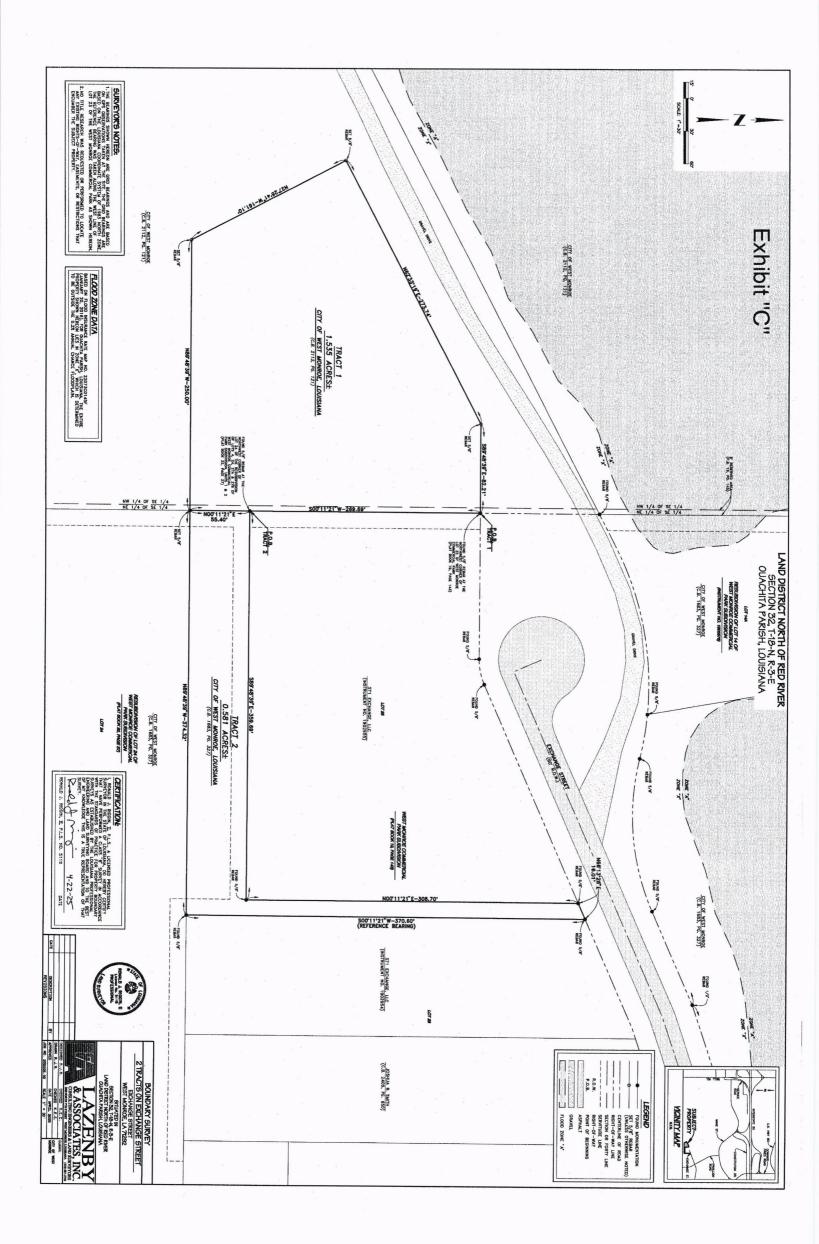
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Date: May 8, 2025



# AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE AND SELL VACANT LAND

The undersigned agree to buy and sell the Subject Property upon the terms and conditions stated below.

**SUBJECT PROPERTY:** Two parcels located in Section 32, Township 18 North, Range 3 East totaling 2.116 +/- acres.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**: See attached Exhibit "A" (Legal description of 1.535 +/- acre tract), Exhibit "B" (Legal description of .581 +/- acre tract) and Exhibit "C" (Plat of Subject Tracts), subject to any and all subdivision or development restrictions of record, zoning provisions and restrictions, and all rights-of-way and/or servitudes of record or of use.

**SALE PRICE:** \$135,600.00 (One Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Six Hundred & 00/100 Dollars)

**DUE DILIGENCE**. The Purchaser waives all inspections related to the Subject Property and will not be entitled to a reduction of the purchase price due to property condition.

**SURVEY**. The City of West Monroe has provided a current survey of the property and plats thereof.

**CONDITION OF PROPERTY.** Purchaser and Seller agree and stipulate that the property is being sold and purchased subject to all rights-of-way, easements and servitudes, visible or apparent or of record in an "AS-IS" condition and Purchaser waives any and all rights to Redhibition including a return of all or part of the purchase price. This waiver applies with respect to all defects, whether apparent or latent, visible or not and regardless of whether Purchaser is presently aware of such defects. Purchaser acknowledges Seller or Seller's representatives have made no warranties as to any matter, including merchantability, quantity or quality of the property, or fitness for intended or ordinary use. Purchaser hereby waives any and all rights Purchaser may have in connection therewith. Purchaser understands the meaning and significance of this provision.

**PRORATION.** Purchaser shall pay the 2025 Parish Taxes.

**CHANGES DURING TRANSACTION.** During the pendency of this transaction, Seller agrees that no new leases or agreements will be entered into, and no substantial alterations or repairs will be made or undertaken without written consent of the Purchaser.

MINERAL RIGHTS. Seller shall reserve 100% of the mineral rights and/or royalty interest, if any, currently owned by Seller. The deed shall contain the following provision – "CITY reserves and excludes from this conveyance any and all right, title and interest in and to any and all oil, gas and other minerals in, on or under the property, all of such interests being expressly reserved by CITY without any warranty whatsoever from or by BUYER; provided, however, that CITY expressly waives any and all surface rights in and to the Property resulting from this reservation; and CITY may not exercise any rights it may have in and to such oil, gas and other minerals in such a fashion that CITY's right to the use of the surface of the property is disturbed so as to have a substantial negative impact on the operation of any business located upon the property"

**CLOSING DATE AND COSTS**. The sale shall take place before Purchaser's Closing Agent within <u>60</u> calendar days after the Ordinance approving the purchase of subject property by the Mayor of the City of West Monroe. Seller agrees to work diligently once the purchase agreement has been executed by both parties to procure the approval by

Ordinance for the purchase of the Subject Property. Seller agrees to deliver a merchantable title free and clear of any and all liens and encumbrances.

In the event Purchaser's title examination shall disclose defects in the title, Seller shall have 15 (Fifteen) days from receipt of notice of said title defects to make a good faith effort to cure such defects. If said time period will expire after the closing date outlined hereinabove, said closing date shall be automatically be extended so as to allow Seller the complete said time period to cure said defects. The closing date shall also be automatically extended to fifteen (15) days after Seller cures said title defects. If such defects cannot be cured within said time period, Purchaser may, at its election, take the title as it then is or terminate this Agreement. If Purchaser chooses to terminate this Agreement due to Seller's inability to cure said title defects, Purchaser shall be entitled to return of the deposit. Purchaser shall be given occupancy upon execution of the Act of Sale unless otherwise agreed to in writing between the parties.

BREACH OF AGREEMENT BY SELLER. In the event of any default of this Agreement by Seller, Purchaser shall at Purchaser's option have the right to declare this Agreement null and void and demand and/or sue for any of the following: (1) Specific performance or (2) Termination of this Agreement, and reimbursement for any sums paid for the potential removal of flood mitigations paid by the Purchaser.

BREACH OF AGREEMENT BY PURCHASER. In the event of any default of this Agreement by Purchaser, Seller shall have at Seller's option the right to declare this Agreement null and void and demand and/or sue for any of the following: (1) Termination of this Agreement (2) Specific performance or (3) Termination of this Agreement and an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the Sale Price as stipulated damages plus reimbursement for all fees associated with the preparation of the legal description and plat in anticipation of sale of the property to the Purchaser.

**ATTORNEY'S FEES**. Should either party institute legal proceedings to enforce the terms or conditions of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party all of the prevailing party's reasonable attorney's fees, court costs and other expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred.

## OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- 1) Purchaser shall be responsible for all closing costs associated with the closing and the recording costs related to the transaction; however, the Seller shall provide a deed to the Purchaser's closing agent.
- 2) During the due diligence period, the Seller shall cooperate with any endeavors undertaken by the Purchaser to remove any flood mitigation provisions from the subject property.
- 3) Purchaser will indemnify Seller for any action undertaken by Seller during the due diligence period, during the closing period, and after the transfer of the Subject Property for violations of any covenants, restrictions, or applicable laws which are violated by Purchaser.

**MULTIPLE COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by one or more parties hereto. A signed facsimile of this Agreement or counterpart with original signatures or facsimile signatures shall have the same binding legal effect as an original of this Agreement or original counterparts, which original signatures would have.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** In the event this Agreement is not signed simultaneously, the effective date of this Agreement shall be the date of the last signature to this Agreement. Time is of the essence of this Agreement. Whenever the time for performance under this Agreement falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, such time shall be deemed to be extended to the next business day.

**LEGAL CAPACITY.** The undersigned Seller is the legal owner of record of the subject property and/or has the legal capacity and authority to convey and transfer the subject property. The undersigned Purchaser has the legal capacity and authority to purchase the subject property.

**ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and any other agreements not incorporated herein in writing are void and of no force and effect.

**NOTICES**. All notices which may be required herein shall be in writing and delivered by (1) personal delivery with receipt acknowledged (2) United States Certified Mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid (3) national overnight delivery service, with return receipt, delivery charge prepaid (4) facsimile to fax numbers listed below, or (5) emailed with delivery confirmation to the email addresses listed below:

Seller: City of West Monroe (attn: Mayor Staci Mitchell)

Phone: (318) 396-2600

Email: smitchell@westmonroe.la.gov

Address: 2305 North 7th Street, West Monroe, LA 71291

With necessary copy to: Lydia Holland Baugh, Attorney

Phone: (318) 323-2930 Email: lydia@hblawla.com

Address: 402 Fairfield Street, West Monroe, LA 71291

Purchaser: 371 Exchange LLC (attn: Brian Smith)

Phone: (318) 547-6810 Email: bsmith@maxmg.net

Address: 371 Exchange Street, West Monroe, LA 71292

**ASSIGNABILITY.** Purchaser shall not have the right to assign this Agreement and all of Purchaser's rights and remedies hereunder.

Seller Signature: \_

Authorized Representative of Seller: Staci Albritton Mitchell, Mayor

Date: May 8, 2025

Purchaser Signature:

Authorized Representative of Purchaser: Brian Smith, Member

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