

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING LOUISIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT'S (LED'S) LOUISIANA DEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, The Louisiana Development Ready Communities Program, a strategic effort by Louisiana Economic Development to assist all of Louisiana's communities to become more competitive in today's global economy, is a community assessment, strategic planning, leadership development and marketing planning process for cities, towns, and villages; and

WHEREAS, the program's requirements provide for involvement of individuals from both public and private sectors of the community including: elected and appointed municipal/parish officials, municipal/parish employees, community leaders and citizens; and

WHEREAS, implementation and achievement of the community's vision, objectives and strategies, and measurement of that achievement, are the major goals of the program, LED's objectives are: 1) to provide a comprehensive and straight-forward assessment of community and economic development practices and activities; 2) to provide training, coaching, and external resources to Communities; 3) to establish a repeatable process by the lessons learned, success stories and testimonials in the Program; and 4) to ultimately develop more marketable communities and diversified economies through a systematic approach to community and economic development in the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, this council will receive a status report during the planning process and a presentation of the draft strategic plan developed by our community resulting from the Louisiana Development Ready Communities Program for consideration, to give feedback, and any further action deemed appropriate at those times.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Youngsville endorses and supports LED's Louisiana Development Ready Communities Program and its work plan and authorizes the city manager and employees to cooperate with and participate in the community assessment and strategic planning activities, and further, the citizens of Youngsville are urged to support this effort.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote therein was as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

AND the resolution was declared adopted on this the 13<sup>th</sup> of June, 2024

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Nicole Guidry, City Clerk

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Ken Ritter, Mayor