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EXTRACT OF THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, 8201 WEST JUDGE PEREZ DRIVE, CHALMETTE, LOUISIANA ON TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025 AT THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Everhardt seconded by Mr. Moran, it was moved to **adopt** the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #2642-03-25

Summary No. 4249

Introduced by: Councilmember Everhardt and Councilmember Moran on 3/5/25
Public Hearing held on 3/18/25

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A DEDICATED LITIGATION EXPENDITURE CODE WITHIN THE ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT COUNCIL BUDGET TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR LEGAL ACTIONS AND DEFENSE AGAINST THE LOUISIANA INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL ("LIT") PROJECT AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

WHEREAS, the proposed "LIT" project poses significant concerns regarding its potential impact on the residents, businesses, infrastructure, and environment of St. Bernard Parish; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish Government must be financially prepared to engage in legal challenges and other necessary actions to protect the interests of the community against any adverse effects of the "LIT" project; and,

WHEREAS, establishing a dedicated litigation fund within the Parish budget will ensure that resources are specifically allocated and protected for legal proceedings, research, and other efforts to challenge the development of the "LIT" project; and,

WHEREAS, all invoices that are received for all "LIT" related matters shall be paid out of this expenditure code; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Parish to create this Professional Services expenditure code in the Council budget **1002010-520012-4251** – "LIT Terminal Litigation" to ensure transparency, accountability, and financial preparedness in opposition to the "LIT" project;

SECTION 1. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon the authorizing signature by the Parish President. In the event of a presidential veto, this Ordinance shall become effective upon a two-thirds favorable vote of the total membership of the Council pursuant to Sections 2-11 and 2-13 of the St. Bernard Parish Home Rule Charter.



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SECTION 2. Severability. If any section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this ordinance, the St. Bernard Parish Council hereby expresses and declares that it would have adopted the remaining portion of this Ordinance with the invalid portions omitted.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: Cusimano, Moran, Meyer, Randall, Mones, Everhardt

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Council Chair, Mr. McCloskey, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared adopted on the 18th day of March, 2025.

Roxanne Adams

ROXANNE ADAMS
CLERK OF COUNCIL

**GILLIS MCCLOSKEY
COUNCIL CHAIR**

Delivered to the Parish President

3/20/25 9:30am
Date and Time

Received by

Maegen Kelley

Approved

Vetoed

Parish President

Louis Pomes



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4/1/25 9:20am
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