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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, AUGUST 19, 2025 AT THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Randall, seconded by Ms. Meyer, it was moved to **adopt** the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #2671-08-25

Summary No. 4282

Introduced by: Councilmember Randall on 8/5/25
Public Hearing held on 8/19/25

AN ORDINANCE TO **AMEND** CHAPTER 19, STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS; ARTICLE II, PLANTING MAINTENANCE AND REMOVAL OF TREES ON PUBLIC LAND; SECTION 19-33. DUTIES OF THE ST. BERNARD PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES.

ST. BERNARD PARISH COUNCIL DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. The St. Bernard Parish Council, as the Governing Authority of the Parish, does **AMEND** Chapter 19, Streets and Other Public Ways; Article II, Planting Maintenance and Removal of Trees on Public Land; Section 19-33. Duties of the St. Bernard Parish Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as per attached Exhibit "A".

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of the State of Louisiana. 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 and then approved by the State of Louisiana pursuant to Sections 2-11 and 2-13 of the St. Bernard Parish Home Rule Charter.

SECTION 3. 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 expressing and declaring that it would have adopted the remaining portion of this ordinance with the invalid portions omitted.



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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 19th day of August, 2025.

Roxanne Buras

ROXANNE BURAS
CLERK OF COUNCIL



GILLIS MCCLOSKEY
COUNCIL CHAIR

Delivered to the Parish President

8/22/25 2:00pm
Date and Time

Received by

Margen Kelley

Approved ✓

Vetoed _____

Parish President

Louis Pomes
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Returned to Clerk of the Council

8/28/25 10:00 am
Date and Time

Received by

Sonya Dolay

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Exhibit "A"
Ordinance SBPC #2671-08-25

Chapter 19 – Streets and Other Public Ways

Article II – Planting Maintenance and Removal of Trees on Public Land

Section 19-33 - Duties

Section 19-33 Duties

(2) *Tree permit required.*

- a. No person shall plant, spray, fertilize, prune, or remove, or otherwise disturb any tree on any street or municipal owned property without:
 - 1. Obtaining a permit free of charge from the Department of Community Development.
 - 2. Prior to any activity taking place, submitting a plot plan to the Department of Public Works for an assessment of location of utilities.
 - 3. If the proposed activity is to take place on a state highway, obtaining a written approval from the LADOTD.
- b. If the trees are not maintained by the planter or planting organization, the parish will reserve the right to remove the trees. A non-maintained tree will be defined as if the following conditions exist for more than one grass cutting season: a non-weeded base, a canopy that a tractor cannot pass under, or if it interferes with power lines and Entergy is unwilling to assist. The parish will make reasonable exceptions during a tree's early life cycle that a weeded base will suffice as canopy maintenance.
- c. Utility companies or the department of public works shall be exempt from permitting requirements during major storms or situations which cause interruptions of service or immediate threat to public safety or where immediate action is required in accordance with established parish government safety policy and procedures.