ORDINANCE 2023 – O - 06

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN VERMILION PARISH POLICE JURY, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, AND LOUISIANA LAND TRUST

WHEREAS, the Vermilion Parish Police Jury (VPPJ), the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development (OCD); and the road Home Corporation, a Louisiana non-profit corporation, doing business s Louisiana Land Trust (LLT), endeavor to facilitate the implementation of a voluntary buyout and housing incentive program;

WHEREAS, said program, initiated by OCD, will enable LLT to acquire eligible properties, clear the properties of any structures prohibited by the program, and transfer the property to the VPPJ or its approved entity, subject to open space deed restrictions in accordance with program requirements;

WHEREAS, said program will benefit the VPPJ by reducing areas subject to flood damage and expanding areas to assist in flood control and mitigation;

WHEREAS, the designated area for the program is certain portions of the Victoria Acres Subdivision located in the Parish of Vermilion, with highest flood risk areas prioritized for Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation Funding;

WHEREAS, the goal of the program is to mitigate future risks and damages resulting from flooding and other impacts from disasters by buying out high-risk properties and return these properties to open and/or green space; and

WHEREAS, the actions of the VPPJ, OCD, and LLT will result in a public benefit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE POLICE JURY OF VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA, convened in Regular Session on the 17th day of May, 2023, that it does hereby approve a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the VPPJ, OCD, and LLT for the Louisiana Watershed Initiative Buyout Program.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the VPPJ agrees to receive, maintain, dispose, and restrict use of properties acquired through the program in compliance with program requirements.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, is authorized to execute Acts of Transfer between the VPPJ and LLT, and all other documents related thereto.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the President of the Police Jury, or his designee, when appropriate, is authorized to approve LLT's execution of Acts of Transfer with another approved political subdivision, land trust, or similar non-profit as owner of the property or properties, subject to the open space deed restrictions included in the open space conservation servitude required through the program.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

This ordinance having been submitted in writing, having been read and adopted at a public meeting of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana was then submitted to an official vote as a whole, the vote was thereon being as follows:

YEAS:

Mr. Jason Picard, Mr. Brent Landry, Ms. Liz Touchet, Mr. Mark Poche', Mr.

Paul Bourgeois, Mr. Errol J. Domingues, Mr. Chad Lege, Mr. Ronald Menard,

Mr. Dexter Callahan, Mr. Sandrus Stelly, Mr. Chad Vallo

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Mr. Dane Hebert, Mr. Ronald Darby, Mr. Scott Broussard

ADOPTED (DATE): Ma

ATTEST:

Jason Picand President

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