



St. James Parish Council

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following entitled ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Parish Council of the Parish of St. James, State of Louisiana, on July 17, 2024, and laid over for publication of notice:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 24-14 ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE A PIPELINE SERVITUDE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF ST. JAMES PARISH IN FAVOR OF OCCIDENTAL CHEMICAL CORPORATION OVER LANDS IN SECTIONS 47, 48 & 73, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 4 EAST, ST. JAMES PARISH, NORTH OF HIGHWAY 3125

WHEREAS, Occidental Chemical Corporation (“OxyChem”) plans to construct the Jupiter pipeline, which would cross through a portion of the East Bank of St. James Parish, connecting to the OxyChem plant in Convent, and has requested St. James Parish to grant a servitude for that pipeline over a parcel of property in the swamp lying north of Highway 3125 in which the parish has a partial interest by virtue of a tax adjudication; and

WHEREAS, a 25% interest in the property in question was adjudicated to the parish by virtue of a tax adjudication deed dated May 30, 1996, recorded on June 7, 1996 in Book 338, Page 750, under Entry No. 96482; and

WHEREAS, the origin and quality of the parish's title to the property is unclear, as ownership of the property has not been validated by a suit to quiet and confirm title in the name of St. James Parish, but the parish nonetheless wishes to accommodate the request for a servitude in the interest of supporting a longstanding industry located in the parish; and

WHEREAS, owing to the state of title and limited area of land involved, the monetary value of the servitude is minimal, and supports only a nominal monetary compensation for the servitude, it being acknowledged that additional financial benefits in the form of tax revenue will accrue to the parish as a result of the pipeline; now therefore

THE ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS that the Parish President is authorized to execute a Pipeline Servitude Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit “A” over property adjudicated to the parish in Sections 47, 48 & 73, Township 11 South, Range 4 East.

THE ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL FURTHER ORDAINS that the Parish President is authorized to execute any and all related documents necessary and proper to effectuate the servitude and its recordation.

NOTICE IS HEREBY, FURTHER, GIVEN that the Parish Council of said Parish will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Parish Courthouse, 5800 Hwy 44, Convent, at which time there will be a public hearing on the adoption of the aforesaid ordinance.

s/ Ryan Louque
Chairman

s/Linda Hubbell
Secretary

Note: St. James Parish will provide, upon request, reasonable accommodation to any disabled individual wishing to attend the meeting. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation is requested to contact 1-800-846-5277 (TDD), 1-800-947-5277 (Voice) or 562-2400 (Handicapped) to discuss the particular accommodation needed.