# LASALLE SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1 PO BOX 1 TROUT, LOUISIANA 71371

July 15, 2024

The LaSalle Sewer District No.1, Parish of LaSalle, Board of Directors, met on Monday, July 15, 2024, at Eleven O 'Clock A.M. regular session.

Present: Johnny Beard, John Jenkins, Cliff Smith and Derick Lee

Absent: Danny Brown Jr., and John Smith Superintendent

The meeting was called to order on a motion by Derick Lee, seconded by Johnny Beard.

The minutes from the previous meeting were dispensed on motion by Derick Lee, seconded by Cliff Smith and passed by the Board.

The Finance Report was accepted on motion by Johnny Beard seconded by Derick Lee and passed by the Board for the month of June.

Cliff Smith made a motion seconded by Derick Lee and passed by the Board to adopt a Resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (Resolution Follows)

David Vercher, CPA, of the The Vercher Group presented the annual audit report for 2023. Derick Lee made a motion, seconded by Johnny Beard and passed by the Board to accept the audit.

Derick Lee made a motion, seconded by Cliff Smith and passed by the Board to approve payment of bills for the month of June.

Johnny Beard made a motion, seconded by Derick Lee and passed by the Board to approve the billing adjustments of 1 leak and 4 pool filling for the month of June.

As there was no other business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Johnny Beard and seconded by Derick Lee.

The next Board meeting will be August 19, 2024 at 11 A. M.

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#### RESOLUTION

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "District"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission and the LaSalle Parish Police Jury, and under the authority conferred by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, including Article VI, Section 32 thereof, the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the District on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024, between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

### PROPOSITION (MILLAGE CONTINUATION)

Shall Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy a 11.78 mills tax on all property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$80,500 expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2025 and ending with the year 2034, for the purpose of maintaining and paying operating expenses of sewerage collection and disposal for the District, said millage to represent a 1.76 mills increase (due to reappraisal) over the 10.02 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2024 pursuant to an election held on May 3, 2014?

SECTION 2. <u>Publication of Notice of Election</u>. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the official journal of the District once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the publication of the Notice of Election, the Chairman is authorized and directed to make any amendments to the foregoing proposition that may be required to comply with any state or federal regulatory agencies.

SECTION 3. <u>Canvass</u>. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the LaSalle Waterworks District No. 1 Office, 410 McIntyre Street, Trout, Louisiana, on MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2625, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK (11:00) A.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

- SECTION 4. <u>Polling Places</u>. The polling places for the precincts set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.
- SECTION 5. <u>Election Commissioners: Voting Machines</u>. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the District will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.
- SECTION 6. <u>Authorization of Officers</u>. The Secretary of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Chairman and/or Secretary of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.
- SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of LaSalle Parish and the Registrar of Voters of LaSalle Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.
- SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.
- SECTION 9. Approval of Governing Authority of the Parish. Application is hereby made to the Police Jury of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana, for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event the election carries, for its further consent and authority to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Police Jury of the Parish of LaSalle on behalf of the District, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.
- SECTION 10. Employment of Counsel. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel on matters related to the special election, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., is hereby employed as special counsel for said purpose for a term not exceeding one (1) year from the date of this resolution. The fee to be paid said special counsel shall be an amount computed at hourly rate based on the Attorney General's then current Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule, not to exceed \$1,000 in the aggregate, together with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, and the Secretary is authorized to pay such invoices as and when presented. The scope of this legal representation does not involve federal claims.

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YEAS: 4	
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ABSENT: L	
And the resolution was declared adopted on t	his, the 15th day of July, 2024.
/s/ Brenda Jackson	/s/ John Jenkins Chairman

# NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "District"), on July 15, 2024, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the District on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the District qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

# PROPOSITION (MILLAGE CONTINUATION)

Shall Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "District"), continue to levy a 11.78 mills tax on all property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated \$80,500 expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2025 and ending with the year 2034, for the purpose of maintaining and paying operating expenses of sewerage collection and disposal for the District, said millage to represent a 1.76 mills increase (due to reappraisal) over the 10.02 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2024 pursuant to an election held on May 3, 2014?

The said special election shall be held at the polling places for the following precincts, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

# PRECINCTS

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The polling places for the precincts set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$600.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the tax described in the Proposition shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the LaSalle Waterworks District No. 1 Office, 410 McIntyre Street, Trout, Louisiana, on MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2025, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK (11:00) A.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the District are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

### STATE OF LOUISIANA

### PARISH OF LASALLE

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Board of Supervisors of Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana (the "District"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings taken by the Governing Authority on July 15, 2024, ordering and calling a special election to be held in Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of LaSalle, State of Louisiana, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature at Trout, Louisiana, on this, the 15th day of July, 2024.

Bunda Jackson Secretary