Introduced January 22, 2008, by Councilman Kingston, seconded by Councilman Hicks

Item No. 08-01-2707

ORDINANCE NO. 3457

An ordinance by the Slidell City Council establishing a moratorium on the issuance of permits to emergency and non-emergency ambulance providers.

WHEREAS, Slidell Ordinance No. 3422, adopted September 11, 2007, requires providers of emergency and non-emergency ambulance services within the City of Slidell to obtain a permit; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 3422 specifies that no more than two such permits can be active at any time; and

WHEREAS, currently only one emergency and non-emergency ambulance provider possesses a City occupational license; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Tammany has extended for one year its contract with Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. in order to develop specifications for emergency and non-emergency ambulance providers in the unincorporated areas of the Parish with the intent to obtain bids for such service; and

WHEREAS, the City may desire to adopt, partially or wholly, the specifications derived by the Parish. Conversely, the City may desire to develop its own specifications for emergency and non-emergency ambulance service within the City with the intent to obtain bids for such service; and

WHEREAS, either course taken by the City will require approximately one year before specifications may be developed.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council that a moratorium on the issuance of emergency and non-emergency ambulance permits pursuant to Ordinance No. 3422 to anyone who does not currently possess a City occupational license for ambulance service is hereby established for a period not to exceed one year from the effective date of this ordinance.

ADOPTED this 26th day of February, 2008.

Raymond H. Canada President of the Council Councilman, District E

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Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator

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