Introduced January 26, 2016, by Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilman Newcomb, (by request of Administration)

#### **RESOLUTION R16-04**

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), that:

SECTION 1. <u>Election Call.</u> Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, Sub-Part A, Part III, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the City on **SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2016**, 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 (BOND)

Shall the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), incur debt and issue bonds to the total amount of not exceeding \$12,000,000, to mature not exceeding 20 years from date thereof, with interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 8% per annum, for the purpose of (i) constructing, improving and landscaping public roads, highways and bridges and (ii) constructing, acquiring, extending and/or improving drains, drainage canals and other hurricane protection, flood protection and drainage facilities within the City, title to which shall be in the public, which bonds will be general obligations of the City and will be payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected in the manner provided by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and statutory authority supplemental

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thereto, with an estimated 3.30 mills to be levied in the first year of issue to pay said Bonds?

SECTION 2. <u>Publication of Notice of Election</u>. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the *St. Tammany Farmer*, a newspaper of general circulation within the City, published in Covington, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the City, 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.

SECTION 3. <u>Canvass</u>. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Slidell City Council Chambers, 2045 Second Street, Suite 319, Slidell, Louisiana, on **TUESDAY**, **APRIL 26**, **2016**, at **SIX-THIRTY O'CLOCK (6:30) P.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 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</u>; <u>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 on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the City will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. <u>Authorization of Officers</u>. The Council Administrator of the City 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 President and/or Council Administrator of the City 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 St. Tammany Parish and the Registrar of Voters of St. Tammany 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.

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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 issue, sell and deliver the bonds 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. By virtue of applicant/issuer's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.", adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby.

SECTION 9. Employment of Bond Counsel. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, LLP, as Bond Counsel, is hereby employed to do and perform work of a traditional legal nature as bond counsel with respect to the issuance and sale of said Bonds. Said Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such Bonds, shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the issuance thereof and shall furnish their opinions covering the legality of the issuance of the Bonds. The fee of Bond Counsel for each series of said bonds shall be fixed at a sum not exceeding the fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for such bond counsel work in connection with the issuance of each such series of general obligation bonds and based on the amount of said Bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fees to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of said bonds. That pursuant to instructions from the Director of Finance, Bond Counsel shall cause to be prepared an official statement with respect to the sale of the Bonds and the costs of the preparation and printing of said official statement, as approved by the State Bond Commission, shall be paid from the proceeds of the issue for which it has been prepared. Said Official Statement may be submitted to one or more of the nationally recognized bond rating service or services, together with a request that an appropriate rating be assigned. Payment for all ratings shall be made by the Director of Finance upon presentation of appropriate statements from the particular rating service furnishing the ratings. A certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of said employment and of the fees herein designated, and the Director of Finance is hereby empowered and

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directed to issue vouchers in payment for the work herein provided for upon completion of the work herein specified and under the conditions herein enumerated.

SECTION 10. <u>Employment of Financial Advisor</u>. Government Consultants, Inc., Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is hereby appointed as Financial Advisor to the City in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

SECTION 11. <u>Declaration of Official Intent.</u> Prior to the delivery of the Bonds, the Governing Authority anticipates that it may pay a portion of the costs of the projects from the General Fund. The projects include those purposes set forth in the proposition herein. Upon the issuance of the Bonds, the Issuer reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditures of other available funds from a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds. Any such allocation of proceeds of the Bonds for reimbursement will be with respect to capital expenditures (as defined in Reg. 1.150-1(b)) and will be made upon the delivery of the Bonds and not later than one year after the later of (i) the date such expenditure was paid or (ii) the date on which the project was placed in service. This Section is intended to be a declaration of official intent within the meaning of Reg. 1.150-2.

SECTION 12. <u>Additional Notice Requirement.</u> This Governing Authority made the announcement with respect to the adoption of this resolution required by La. R.S. 42:19.1, at its public meeting on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 and published said announcement in the Official Journal on Thursday, December 10, 2015.

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This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 9

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

ADOPTED this 26th day of January, 2016.

Bill Borchert

President of the Council Councilman, District G

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Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator

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**EXHIBIT "A"** 

#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Slidell City Council, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), on January 26, 2016, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the City on **SATURDAY**, **APRIL 9**, **2016**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the City 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, towit:

## PROPOSITION (BOND)

Shall the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), incur debt and issue bonds to the total amount of not exceeding \$12,000,000, to mature not exceeding 20 years from date thereof, with interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 8% per annum, for the purpose of (i) constructing, improving and landscaping public roads, highways and bridges and (ii) constructing, acquiring, extending and/or improving drains, drainage canals and other hurricane protection, flood protection and drainage facilities within the City, title to which shall be in the public, which bonds will be general obligations of the City and will be payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected in the manner provided by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and statutory authority supplemental thereto, with an estimated 3.30 mills to be levied in the first year of issue to pay said Bonds?

The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the City, 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:

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POLLING PLACES		
Precinct	Location	
802	(IN PART) Clearwood Jr. High School, 130 Clearwood Drive, Slidell	
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805	(IN PART) Little Oak Middle School, 59241 Rebel Drive, Slidell	
806	(IN PART) Grace Memorial Baptist Church, 58516 Pearl Acres Road, Slidell	
811	(IN PART) Boyet Jr. High School, 59295 Rebel Drive, Slidell	
813	(IN PART) Northshore High School, 100 Panther Drive, Slidell	
816	(IN PART) Grace Memorial Baptist Church, 58516 Pearl Acres Road, Slidell	
901	(IN PART) Northshore Square Mall, 150 Northshore Blvd., Slidell	
902	(IN PART) Alton Elementary School, 38276 N. 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, Slidell	
904	(IN PART) Carolyn Park Middle School, 35708 Liberty Drive, Slidell	
907	(IN PART) Carolyn Park Middle School, 35708 Liberty Drive, Slidell	
909	(IN PART) Salmen High School, 300 Spartan Drive, Slidell	
915	(IN PART) Northshore Square Mall, 150 Northshore Blvd., Slidell	
916	(IN PART) Carolyn Park Middle School, 35708 Liberty Drive, Slidell	
S01	John Slidell Park Gymnasium, 105 Robert Blvd., Slidell	
S02	(IN PART) Slidell High School, 1 Tiger Drive, Slidell	
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	S04	(IN PART) Bonne Ecole Elementary School, 900 Rue Verand, Slidell
	S05	(IN PART) John Slidell Park Gymnasium, 105 Robert Blvd., Slidell
	S06	(IN PART) Carolyn Park Middle School, 35708 Liberty Drive, Slidell
	S07	(IN PART) Bayou Woods Elementary School, 35614 Liberty Drive, Slidell
	S08	(IN PART) Bonne Ecole Elementary School, 900 Rue Verand, Slidell
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19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	S10	(IN PART) Slidell Jr. High School, 333 Pennsylvania Avenue, Slidell
	S11	(IN PART) Slidell Jr. High School, 333 Pennsylvania Avenue, Slidell
	S13	(IN PART) St. Tammany Jr. High School, 701 Cleveland Avenue, Slidell
	S15	(IN PART) Salmen High School, 300 Spartan Drive, Slidell
	S16	(IN PART) Abney Elementary School, 825 Kostmayer Street, Slidell
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30 31	S18	(IN PART) Abney Elementary School, 825 Kostmayer Street, Slidell
32	S19	(IN PART) Slidell High School, 1 Tiger Drive, Slidell
33 34	S21	(IN PART) Northshore High School, 100 Panther Drive, Slidell
34 35 36 37 38 39	S22	(IN PART) Abney Elementary School, 825 Kostmayer Street, Slidell
	S23	(IN PART) Slidell Jr. High School, 333 Pennsylvania Avenue, Slidell

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POLLING PLACES		
Precinct	Location	
S24	St. Tammany Jr. High School, 701 Cleveland Avenue, Slidell	
S25	(IN PART) St. Tammany Jr. High School, 701 Cleveland Avenue, Slidell	

The polling places 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.

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 Slidell City Council Chambers, 2045 Second Street, Suite 319, Slidell, Louisiana, on TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2016, at SIX-THIRTY O'CLOCK (6:30) P.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 City are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

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THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Slidell, Louisiana, on this, the 26th day of January, 2016.

Bill Borchert

President of the Council Councilman, District G

Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator

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STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY

I, the undersigned Council Administrator of the Slidell City Council, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings taken by the Governing Authority on January 26, 2016, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature at Slidell, Louisiana, on this, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Council Administrator