Introduced October 23, 2001, by Councilman Cerny, seconded by Councilman Cusimano (both by request of Administration)

#### Item No. 01-10-2259

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 3041**

An ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, by adding a new Sec. 28-36 Groundwater Protection Ordinance.

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell derives its public water supply from wells;

WHEREAS, the aquifers need to be protected from contamination by activities or mankind; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell desires to assume and maintain a leadership role in the protection of its drinking water resources through its own efforts and in cooperation with other local governments and state and federal agencies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell by adding a new Sec. 28-36 Groundwater Protection Ordinance, as follows:

### Sec. 28-36. Groundwater Protection Ordinance.

- (a) It is the purpose of this ordinance to promote the public health, safety and general welfare and to minimize public and private losses due to contamination of the public water supply and to maximize groundwater protection/pollution control procedures within the service area of the City of Slidell and minimize land use restrictions that:
  - (1) Protect human life and health;

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- (2) Minimize expenditure of public money for costly pollution remediation projects;
- (3) Minimize regulations on land use;
- (4) Minimize business interruptions;
- (5) Insure that the public is provided with a safe potable water supply now and for future generations;
- (6) Protect the natural resources of the state.
- (b) In order to accomplish its purposes, this ordinance shall employ the following methods:
  - (1) Establish groundwater protection areas, which means that area within a maximum radius of one thousand feet of a public water well and/or wellfield.
  - (2) Inventory and plot on a map all potential sources of contamination within the designated groundwater protection area;
  - (3) Frequent monitoring of existing and future activities within the groundwater protection area that have been identified as potential sources of contamination;
  - (4) Develop contingency plans for alternative drinking water supplies to help mitigate contamination of the current public water supply;
  - (5) Site new wells properly to maximize yield and minimize potential contamination;

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- (6) Prohibited installations. Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the following land uses, facilities or activities are prohibited within one thousand feet of any public well:
  - a. Asphalt plant
  - b. Automobile maintenance or repair shops
  - c. Battery manufacturing, rebuilding or storage facilities
  - d. Car wash
  - e. Cemetery/funeral home
  - f. Chemical manufacturing, production, sales, storage and transfer for disposal facilities
  - g. Concentrated animal feed lot
  - h. Dry cleaners or laundries
  - i. Electroplating facilities
  - j. Furniture production, repair or refinishing establishments
  - k. Gasoline stations or other refueling facilities using underground tanks
  - I. Lumber mill/wood treating facility
  - m. Medical or veterinary clinics/hospital
  - n. Oil and gas tank battery
  - o. Paint sales, production or contracting facilities
  - p. Pest control services where quantities of insecticides are stored and/or mixed
  - q. Petro site (bulk)
  - r. Pipeline/compressor station
  - s. Plant nursery/golf course
  - t. Print shop
  - u. Salvage yard

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- v. Sand gravel pit
- w. Sewer treatment/oxidation pond
- x. Truck terminal

Exceptions: Any of the land uses, facilities or activities identified in this Subsection lawfully in existence on the effective date of this ordinance may continue to exist on the parcel upon which it is located.

- (7) Educate public on ground water, where it comes from, how it becomes contaminated, and the ways to protect it.
- (8) Promote the U. S. Department of Agriculture Conservation Reserve Program to farmland owners within two thousand feet of public water well.
- (9) Submit a copy of the ordinance to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Environmental Evaluation Division.

ADOPTED this 27th day of November, 2004

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