

1 Introduced October 13, 1992, by  
2 Councilman Singletary, seconded by  
3 Councilman Barthelemy (by request)  
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6 **RESOLUTION R92-51**  
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9 A resolution supporting the acquisition of the abandoned Illinois Central  
10 Railroad line between Slidell, Lacombe, Mandeville, Abita Springs, and Covington.  
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12 WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury is attempting to acquire  
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14 the abandoned Illinois Central Railroad line between Slidell, Lacombe, Mandeville, Abita  
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16 Springs, and Covington; and  
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18 WHEREAS, said line is two hundred feet (200') wide; and  
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20 WHEREAS, said line is twenty-nine (29) miles long; and  
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22 WHEREAS, said line will make an excellent jogging, hiking, bicycling, and  
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24 horseback riding trail; and  
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26 WHEREAS, said line would begin on Front Street, near Albertson's Food  
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28 Store; and  
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30 WHEREAS, a commuter rail line and a trolley car that could transport  
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32 commuters, shoppers, visitors, and tourists could be an additional use of said line; and  
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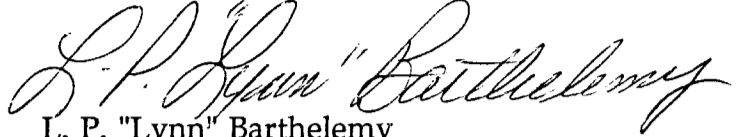
34 WHEREAS, the City of Slidell may acquire the depot on Front Street; and  
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36 WHEREAS, the acquisition by the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury of said  
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38 railroad line would be of benefit to the citizens of Slidell, Lacombe, Mandeville, Abita  
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40 Springs, and Covington; and  
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42 WHEREAS, said line would be acquired with state money earmarked for  
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44 "rails to trails" to match federal grants through the Regional Planning Commission to  
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46 buy the line.  
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48 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Slidell City Council, in legal  
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50 session convened, does hereby endorse and support the effort by the St. Tammany  
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52 Parish Police Jury to acquire the Illinois Central abandoned railroad line between Slidell,  
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54 Lacombe, Mandeville, Abita Springs, and Covington to establish rails to trails.  
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7 ADOPTED this 13th day of October, 1992.  
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11 L. P. "Lynn" Barthelemy  
12 Councilman, District D  
13 President of the Council

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16 Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council  
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