**NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE**

 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the following entitled ordinance was introduced in writing in the form required for adoption at a meeting of the Parish Council of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, on September 26, 2024, and laid over for publication of notice:

**L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 24-**

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT AN IMMEDIATE MORATORIUM PROHIBITING THE CONSIDERATION OR SUBMITTAL OF ANY PRELIMINARY PLATS FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 CREATING MORE THAN FIVE (5) LOTS FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS OR THE ADOPTION OF A COMPREHENSIVE NEW ZONING PROGRAM (WHICHEVER COMES FIRST)

 **NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that the Parish Council of said Parish will meet on October 10, 2024, at six (6:00) o'clock p.m., at the Parish Council Chambers at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time there will be a public hearing on the adoption of the aforesaid ordinance.

\s\ Sandy C. Teal \s\ John Wascom

Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk  John Wascom, Council Chairman

(As per rules of the Council, copies of the proposed ordinance shall be made available for public
inspection in the Office of the Livingston Parish Council.)

The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Livingston Parish Council on \_\_\_\_, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal together with a notice of public hearing which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Motion of \_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

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**WHEREAS** the population of the Parish of Livingston is increasing rapidly and the number of new developments are expanding density significantly impacting infrastructure, schools, drainage, and sewer systems in Livingston Parish; and

**WHEREAS** we have a constitutional duty under Article 9 Section 1 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 which provides that “The natural resources of the state, including air and water, and the healthful, scenic, historic, and esthetic quality of the environment shall be protected, conserved, and replenished insofar as possible and consistent with the health, safety, and welfare of the people.”

**WHEREAS** District 2 does not have the infrastructure to support the development that has already been proposed, including adequate drainage, roads and sewage disposal.

**WHEREAS,** the Livingston Parish Council as governing authority of the Parish, State of Louisiana, has contracted expert planning professionals and legal advisors to strengthen and enhance zoning and development regulations in the Parish of Livingston to protect the public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS** in order to maintain stability, control the risk of flooding of existing residences and additional sewage contamination of area waterways from new development and allow orderly development of adequate infrastructure and protect the health and safety of existing residents it is necessary to maintain low density while subdivision, development and zoning regulations are reviewed, improved and adopted; and

**WHEREAS** this moratorium will not affect the issuance of building permits for constructing residential single-family structures, buildings and/or sheds under existing subdivision regulations; and

**WHEREAS** this moratorium does not apply to the subdivision or re-subdivision of a total of five or less lots; and

**WHEREAS** this moratorium does not apply to medical hardships. A medical hardship waiver shall be granted to someone who is experiencing severe injury or illness with prolonged recovery and/or ongoing close medical monitoring, severe complications of a chronic medical condition, and/or a diagnosis of a life-threatening condition.

**BE IT ORDAINED,** that there is hereby enacted a six-month moratorium prohibiting the consideration or submittal of any preliminary plats for residential subdivisions with improvements in Council District 2. This moratorium includes all stages in the development of a preliminary plat. The moratorium is to allow the adoption of a comprehensive new zoning program.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** this ordinance shall be null and void upon adoption of a comprehensive zoning map for Council District 2.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that there will be changes to the Livingston Parish Development Code made during the moratorium that will impose additional requirements on future development and all parties are given notice that these changes will be adopted and any development in violation of this moratorium, in addition to other sanctions provided by law, will be refused acceptance of improvements for parish maintenance.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the Livingston Parish Council, governing authority of the Parish of Livingston, that if any provision of this ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the Livingston Parish Council that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

The effective date of this ordinance shall upon adoption.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

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ATTEST:

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Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk

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