

WASHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. 10-536

introduced on November 22, 2010

Introduced by Aubrey Posey

Public Hearing held on December 13, 2010

An Ordinance directing the renewal of the levy of a ten (10) mill tax on all the property subject to taxation within the Parish (an estimated \$696,016.12 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2012 and ending with the year 2021, dedicated solely for the purpose of constructing, improving, maintaining and resurfacing Parish roads and bridges, including incidental drainage and the acquisition of equipment therefor, with the proceeds of the tax subject to being funded into certificates of indebtedness for such capital purposes to the extent and in the manner provided by the laws of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Article VI, Sections 30 and 32 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, including an election held in the Parish of Washington (the "Parish") on October 2, 2010, the Parish Council of the Parish (the "Parish Council"), as governing authority for the Parish, desires to renew the levy of the property tax as authorized at the election by virtue of the favorable passage of the proposition attached hereto as **Schedule A** setting forth the rate and duration of the tax; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the provisions of said authority and other applicable constitutional and statutory authority, an election was held in the Parish on Saturday, October 2, 2010, to authorize the renewal of the levy of the property tax, it is now the desire of the Parish to renew the levy the property tax and to provide for the collection thereof and other matters in connection therewith as hereinafter provided in this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Parish Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish, that:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the authority of an election held in the Parish on October 2, 2010, there be and there is hereby renewed within the geographic boundaries of the Parish for the purposes stated in the proposition attached hereto as **Schedule A** the levy of a property tax of ten (10) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation in the Parish, beginning with the year 2012 and ending in 2021, to be dedicated and used for constructing, improving, maintaining and resurfacing parish roads and bridges, including incidental drainage and the acquisition of equipment therefor, with the proceeds of the tax to be subject to being

runded into certificates of indebtedness, all in the manner and subject to the provisions and terms of those portions of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, applicable to property taxes levied by the Parish.

SECTION 2. That the levy of property tax described in Section 1 above shall be renewed and enforced according to law.

SECTION 3. The obligations and rights of taxpayers in connection with the property tax levied hereby shall be as provided taxpayers by the provisions of law applicable to property taxes levied by the Parish.

SECTION 4. If any one or more of the provisions of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of

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this Ordinance, but this Ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this Ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this Ordinance which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. The title to this Ordinance and notice of a public hearing regarding its adoption shall be published in one (1) issue of the *Era Leader*, the official journal of and a newspaper of general circulation in the Parish. Upon adoption, this Ordinance shall be published in full in one (1) issue of the *Era Leader* and shall be recorded in the mortgage records of the Washington Parish Clerk of Court.

SECTION 6. The Chairman of the Board be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all such action as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall immediately take effect upon adoption.

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

YEAS: (7) Thomas, Route, Posey, Wheat, Fussell, Nassauer and Johnson

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

And the Ordinance was declared adopted on this, the 13th day of December, 2010.

WASHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

SIGNATURE
AUBREY POSEY, CHAIRMAN

Delivered to the Parish President on the 13th day of December, 2010.

WASHINGTON PARISH GOVERNMENT

SIGNATURE
RICHARD N. THOMAS, JR., PRESIDENT

Returned to the Clerk of the Parish Council on the 13th day of December, 2010.

ATTEST:

SIGNATURE
Sharon Lyons, Clerk of the Parish Council

SCHEDULE A

PROPOSITION

SUMMARY: RENEWAL OF THE 10-YEAR, 10 MILL PROPERTY TAX FOR THE PARISH DEDICATED SOLELY FOR CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, MAINTAINING AND RESURFACING PARISH ROADS AND BRIDGES, INCLUDING INCIDENTAL DRAINAGE AND THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT THEREFOR, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX TO BE SUBJECT TO BEING FUNDED INTO CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS.

Shall the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), renew the levy of a ten (10) mill tax on all the property subject to taxation within the Parish (an estimated \$696,016.12 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2012 and ending with the year 2021, dedicated solely for the purpose of constructing, improving, maintaining and resurfacing Parish roads and bridges, including incidental drainage and the acquisition of equipment therefor, with the proceeds of the tax subject to being funded into certificates of indebtedness for such capital purposes to the extent and in the manner provided by the laws of Louisiana?

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF WASHINGTON

I, the undersigned Council Clerk of the Washington Parish Council (the "Parish Council") do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the Ordinance adopted December 13, 2010 directing the renewal of the levy of a ten (10) mill tax on all the property subject to taxation within the Parish (an estimated \$696,016.12 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2012 and ending with the year 2021, dedicated solely for the purpose of constructing, improving, maintaining and resurfacing Parish roads and bridges, including incidental drainage and the acquisition of equipment therefor, with the proceeds of the tax subject to being funded into certificates of indebtedness for such capital purposes to the extent and in the manner provided by the laws of Louisiana.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature at Franklinton, Louisiana, on this, the 13th day of December, 2010.

SIGNATURE
Sharon Lyons, Council Clerk