

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF WASHINGTON

Washington Parish Council

RESOLUTION NO. 19-956

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Fussell and seconded by Councilman Talley:

A resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana on Saturday, October 12, 2019, to authorize the amendment and restatement, in its entirety, of the Home Rule Charter of the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana; appointing Special Counsel; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana (the "*Governing Authority*"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana (the "*Parish*"), as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official certified tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish on Saturday, October 12, 2019 (the "*Election*"), said tabulations having been prepared and certified by the election officials serving at the designated polling places, and the Governing Authority does now further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the Election.

SECTION 2. That a Proces Verbal of the canvass of the returns of the Election shall be made and that a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; that another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and ex-officio Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana; and that another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of the Parish.

SECTION 3. That the result of the Election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 4. A real necessity is hereby found for the employment of special counsel in connection with the Election, and accordingly Butler Snow LLP, Special Counsel, is hereby employed and requested to do and perform comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work with respect to the Election. Said Special Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization of the Election and shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the Election. The fee of special counsel in connection with the Election is hereby fixed at a sum not to exceed the maximum hourly fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for comprehensive legal and coordinate professional services, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses. 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 fee herein designated.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: (6) Fornea, Anthony, Talley, Fussell, Lewis and McMasters

NAYS:

ABSENT: (1) Workman

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I, the undersigned Clerk of the Parish Council of the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana (the "*Parish*"), acting as the governing authority (the "*Governing Authority*"), do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Authority on November 4, 2019, providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the special election held in the Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana (the "*Parish*"), on Saturday, May 2, 2015, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of: (i) a 10-year, 3.11 mills ad valorem tax for acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating public health units in the Parish; (ii) a 10-year, 1.03 mill ad valorem tax for improving, maintaining and operating the Parish courthouse and related public buildings in the Parish, including specifically the payment of utilities related thereto; (iii) a 10-year, 4.13 mills ad valorem tax for constructing, improving and maintaining public roads and bridges in the Parish; and (iv) a 10-year, 4.6 mills ad valorem tax for improving, maintaining and operating the public library system of the Parish and its branches.

I further certify that this Resolution has not been amended or rescinded.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature and impress of the official seal of said Parish Council at Franklinton, Louisiana, the 4th day of November, 2019.



Sarah Cook, Council Clerk

[SEAL]

And the Resolution was declared to be adopted on this 4th day of November, 2019.

David Anthony
David Anthony, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Sarah Cook
Sarah Cook, Council Clerk