

CITY OF ST. GEORGE

BY COUNCIL MEMBER COOK:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-021

TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES THROUGH THE CONTINUATION OF SERVICES OF THE ST. GEORGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, THE EAST SIDE FIRE DISTRICT, THE EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE EAST BATON ROUGE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the Petition to Incorporate the City of St. George provided, "[t]he municipal corporation proposes to render to the area ... Public Safety services through the continuation of services provided by the St. George Fire Protection District, East Side Fire District, and the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office";

WHEREAS, the Petition to Incorporate the City of St. George provided for, "Emergency Medical Services through continuation of services provided by the East Baton Rouge Parish Department of EMS"; and

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of St. George desires to designate the St. George Fire Protection District and the East Side Fire District as the agencies to enforce the National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code (NFPA 101) and the National Fire Protection Association Fire Code (NFPA 1) and as an authorized to enforce ordinances related occupancy of structures in St. George;

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of St. George desires to designate the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office as the agency to provide law enforcement services in St. George; and

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of St. George desires to designate the East Baton Rouge Parish Department of Emergency Medical Services as the agency to provide Emergency Medical Services in St. George.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the St. George Council, State of Louisiana of follow:

Section 1. Enactment

Fire Prevention and Protection. Fire prevention and protection services shall be provided in St. George through the continuation of the services which were provided by the St. George Fire Protection District and East Side Fire District prior to incorporation. The St. George Fire Protection District No. 2 and the East Side Fire Protection District No. 5 are hereby authorized to enforce the National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code (NFPA 101) and the National Fire Protection Association Fire Code (NFPA 1) and to enforce other ordinances related occupancy of

structures in St. George. St. George shall have no paid municipal fire department.

Law Enforcement Services. Law enforcement shall be provided in the City of St. George through the continuation of the services which were provided by the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office prior to incorporation. The East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office is hereby authorized to enforce any state law or ordinance in St. George. St. George shall have no paid municipal police officers other than the Chief of Police.

Emergency Medical Services. Emergency Medical Services shall be provided in the City of St. George through the continuation of services which were provided by the East Baton Rouge Parish Department of EMS prior to incorporation. St. George shall have no paid municipal emergency medical services department or staff and shall have no private provider approved to provide emergency medical services within the boundaries of the City.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or provision of this Ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or parts thereof, other than the part declared invalid. The remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected by the declaration of invalidity and shall remain in force and effect.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance affecting the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption.

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

Ayes: Cook, Edmonds, Himmel, Monachello

Nays: None

Absent: Heck

Introduced on April 22, 2025 and voted on May 13, 2025.



Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk

Delivered to Mayor on May 14, 2025.



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Approved:



Dustin Yates, Mayor

Received from Mayor on May 15th, 2025.

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