

CITY OF ST. GEORGE

The following Resolution was offered by COUNCILMEMBER COOK:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-005

A RESOLUTION TO JOIN AS A PARTY PLAINTIFF IN THE SUIT CAPTIONED ***NORMAN BROWNING AND CHRIS RIALS, INDIVIDUALLY AND IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITIES V. CITY OF BATON ROUGE, AND THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF BATON ROUGE AND PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE***, SUIT NO. C-693763 CONTESTING PROPOSED ANNEXATIONS APPROVED BY THE CITY-PARISH ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 12, 2019 AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

WHEREAS, the City of St. George has a vested interest in maintaining its geographic boundaries as incorporated and a duty to protect against the abridgment of the voting rights of its electorate;

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2020, Norman Browning and Chris Rials, in their individual capacity and in their capacity as Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the Petition for Incorporation of the City of St. George, filed litigation in the 19th Judicial District Court for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, contesting City of Baton Rouge's ordinances annexing certain properties within St. George's geographical boundaries, as set forth in its Petition for Incorporation. See ***Norman Browning and Chris Rials, individually and in their official capacities, v. City of Baton Rouge and the Metropolitan Council for the City of Baton Rouge***, Suit No. C-693763, 19th JDC, Parish of East Baton Rouge); and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to authorize Dustin Yates, in his official capacity as Mayor, to retain legal counsel for the purposes of intervening and representing the City of St. George as a party plaintiff in the aforementioned litigation.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council for the City of St. George that Dustin Yates, in his official capacity as Mayor for the City of St. George, is hereby authorized to retain council for the purposes of intervening and representing the interest of the City of St. George as a party plaintiff in in the suit entitled, ***Norman Browning and Chris Rials, individually and in their official capacities, v. City of Baton Rouge and the Metropolitan Council for the City of Baton Rouge***, Suit No. C-693763, 19th Judicial District, Parish of East Baton Rouge.

This Resolution was submitted to a vote and the vote thereon was:

For: Cook, Edmonds, Himmel, Monachello
Against: None
Absent: Ryan Heck

CERTIFICATION

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at the Special Meeting of the Council for the City of St. George held on July 23, 2024.



Lorraine Beaman, Clerk