

CITY OF ST. GEORGE

BY COUNCIL MEMBERS HECK AND COOK:

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2024-013

**RESOLUTION TO CALL AN ELECTION TO ADOPT OR REJECT
THE PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER SUBMITTED BY THE
HOME RULE CHARTER COMMISSION AND TO PROVIDE FOR
RELATED MATTERS**

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Constitution Art. VI, §5(E) grants municipalities the authority to adopt and operate under a home rule charter form of government providing “the structure and organization, powers, and functions of the government of the local governmental subdivision, which may include the exercise of any power and performance of any function necessary, requisite, or proper for the management of its affairs, not denied by general law or inconsistent with this constitution;”

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.S. 33:1395-1395.6, the Home Rule Charter Commission was appointed by the St. George City Council on August 13, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Charter Commission submitted a proposed home rule charter requiring the Council to “call an election to adopt or reject the charter on the next date allowed under the provisions of R.S. 18:402 not earlier than 60 days after its publication.”

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. George City Council, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law, calls an election for Saturday, March 29, 2025 to adopt or reject the proposed Home Rule Charter submitted by the Commission.

Section 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, a special election is hereby ordered to be held in the City of St. George on Saturday, March 29, 2025 in accordance with the applicable provisions of law on the following proposition:

CITY OF ST. GEORGE PROPOSITION

Shall the proposed Home Rule Charter for the City of St. George which is incorporated by reference and made part of this Proposition (available for review on City of St. George’s website <https://stgeorgela.gov/> and copies available at St. George City Hall) be adopted pursuant to Article VI, Section 5 of the Louisiana Constitution?

Section 2. Publication of Proposed Charter. The proposed Charter shall be published in *The Advocate*, the official journal of the City of St. George, once within 30 days of its submission to the St. George City Council.

Section 3. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the City's official journal once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication not less than 45 days nor more than 90 days prior to the election date, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference as if it were set forth herein in full.

Section 4. Canvass. St. George City Council will meet at its regular meeting place at 14100 Airline Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA 70817, on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 5:00 PM to canvass the returns and declare the results of the election.

Section 5. Authorization of Officers. Officials of the City of St. George are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to take any action required for the conduct of the election.

Section 6. Notice to Election Officials. Copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and the Registrar of Voters for East Baton Rouge Parish and to the Louisiana Secretary of State.

Section 7. Application to State Bond Commission. Application shall be made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid special election, and in the event said election carries, for further consent and authority to adopt the City of St. George Home Rule Charter.

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

For: P. Cook, R. Edmonds, R. Heck, M. Himmel, S. Monachello
Against: NONE
Absent: NONE
Abstained/Recused: NONE

CERTIFICATION

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Council for the City of St. George held on November 12, 2024.


Lorraine Beaman, Clerk

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in the City of St. George at the listed polling places on **SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025** on the following proposition:

CITY OF ST. GEORGE PROPOSITION

Shall the proposed Home Rule Charter for the City of St. George which is incorporated by reference and made part of this Proposition (available for review on City of St. George’s website <https://stgeorgela.gov/> and copies available at St. George City Hall) be adopted pursuant to Article VI, Section 5 of the Louisiana Constitution?

The estimated cost of said election provided by the Louisiana Secretary of State, is \$137,800 based on the actual cost of similar elections. The election will be held in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code at the following polling places in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.:

Precincts	Polling Location
01-080 A & B (in part)	BREC Drusilla Lane Park Recreation Center 2546 Drusilla Lane
01-089 (in part)	BREC Forest Community Park Recreation Center 13900 South Harrells Ferry Road
01-099 A & B (in part)	Parkview Elementary School 5660 Park Forest Drive
03-003 A & B	Woodlawn Baptist Church 5805 Jones Creek Road
03-004 A & B	BREC Highland Road Park 14024 Highland Road
03-007 A & B (in part)	BREC Cedar Ridge Recreation Center 13300 Cedar Ridge Avenue
03-010	Lutheran Church of Our Savior 3555 Jones Creek Road
03-011 (in part)	Baton Rouge Fire Station 11010 Coursey Boulevard
03-012 A & B (in part)	Riveroaks Elementary School 950 Fontainbleau Drive
03-013	Jefferson Terrace Elementary School 5601 Upton Drive
03-015 A & B	Shenandoah Elementary School 16555 Appomattox Avenue
03-016	Woodlawn Middle School 14939 Tiger Bend Road

Precincts	Polling Location
03-017 A & B (in part)	Westminster Elementary School 8935 Westminster Drive
03-018 A & B (in part)	Greater Baton Rouge Association of Realtors 14101 Perkins Road
03-019 A & B	New Rising Sun Baptist Church 16444 Highland Road
03-021 A & B (in part)	Southeast Middle School 15000 S Harrells Ferry Road
03-022	Woodlawn High School 15755 Old Jefferson Highway
03-023 A & B (in part)	Wildwood Elementary School 444 Halfway Tree Road
03-029 A & B (in part)	Westminster Elementary School 8935 Westminster Drive
03-033 A & B (in part)	BREC Baringer Road Park Recreation Center 7401 Baringer Road
03-034 A & B	St. George Fire Department Administrative Office 14100 Airline Highway
03-035 A & B (in part)	Bluebonnet Regional Library 9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard
03-036 (in part)	Bluebonnet Regional Library 9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard
03-038	Woodlawn Middle School 14939 Tiger Bend Road
03-039 (in part)	Jefferson Terrace Elementary School 5601 Upton Drive
03-040 A & B	BREC Highland Road Park 14024 Highland Road
03-041 A & B	Jones Creek Regional Library 6222 Jones Creek Road
03-043 A & B	Shenandoah Elementary School 16555 Appomattox Avenue
03-045 A & B	Woodlawn High School 15755 Old Jefferson Highway
03-047 A & B	Crosspoint Baptist Church 14965 Airline Highway
03-048 A & B (in part)	St. George Fire Department Administrative Office 14100 Airline Highway
03-049 A & B	Mayfair Laboratory School 9880 Hyacinth Avenue
03-051 (in part)	BREC Drusilla Lane Park Recreation Center 2546 Drusilla Lane

Precincts	Polling Location
03-052 A & B (in part)	BREC Perkins Road Community Park 7122 Perkins Road
03-053 A & B	Woodlawn Middle School 14939 Tiger Bend Road
03-056	Bluebonnet Highlands Clubhouse 10557 Bluebonnet Boulevard
03-057 (in part)	Idea Innovation School 7800 Innovation Park Drive
03-059 (in part)	Lutheran Church of Our Savior 3555 Jones Creek Road
03-060 A & B (in part)	Jefferson Terrace Elementary School 5601 Upton Drive
03-062	Greater Baton Rouge Association of Realtors 14101 Perkins Road
03-063 (in part)	Bluebonnet Highlands Clubhouse 10557 Bluebonnet Boulevard
03-064	Bluebonnet Regional Library 9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard
03-065 (in part)	St John's United Methodist Church 230 Renee Drive
03-066	Woodlawn High School 15755 Old Jefferson Highway
03-067	Crosspoint Baptist Church 14965 Airline Highway
03-068	Mayfair Laboratory School 9880 Hyacinth Avenue
03-070	Great Hearts Harveston School 11801 Bluebonnet Blvd.
03-071	Southeast Middle School 15000 South Harrells Ferry Road
03-073 A & B	Southeast Middle School 15000 South Harrells Ferry Road
03-074 (in part)	The Claiborne at Baton Rouge 9511 Creekview Drive
03-075	Great Hearts Harveston School 11801 Bluebonnet Blvd.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the St. George City Council will meet at its regular meeting place at 14100 Airline Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA 70817, on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 5:00 PM, to canvass the returns and declare the result of the election.