CITY OF ST. GEORGE

BY COUNCIL MEMBER HIMMEL:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-023

ORDINANCE TO ENACT TITLE 2, CHAPTER 7 AND TITLE 12, CHAPTER 4 RELATIVE TO THE MANAGEMENT, REGULATION AND USE OF PUBLIC LANDS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of St. George desires to keep its streets and rights-of-way in reasonably safe condition for its citizens and visitors, including the authority to regulate the construction and installation of utilities in the public rights-of-way and the displaying of promotional advertisements in public rights-of-way.

WHEREAS, the Council for the City of St. George desires to enact requirements for the management, regulation, and use of its public lands and rights-of-way.

BE IT ORDAINED by the St. George City Council, State of Louisiana, Title 2. Streets, Alleys, Sidewalks, and Public Building Regulations, Chapter 7, Use of Public Lands and Rights-of-Way for Utility Purposes and Title 12. Nuisances, Chapter 4, Promotional Advertisements in public rights-of-way are enacted as follows:

Section 1. Enactment

Title 2. STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS, AND PUBLIC BUILDING REGULATIONS Chapter 7. USE OF PUBLIC LANDS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR UTILITY PURPOSES

Sec. 2:700. Permit required.

No pipeline or other similar facility operated by a private utility company for public purposes shall be constructed or installed in the public rights-of-way or over and across any public or private property within the City unless a permit has been obtained from the permit division of the Department of Public Works.

Sec. 2:701. Plans approved by Department of Public Works.

The installation and construction of all pipelines or other similar facilities shall be in accordance with plans approved by the Department of Public Works. The Department of Public Works may require the applicant for a permit to submit plans to affect the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 2:702. Requirements for permit.

Whenever any pipeline is to be installed in, over, or through any public road or street rightof-way or public servitude located anywhere in the City, a permit as above provided must be obtained and the following additional requirements shall be met:

- (1) All transmission pipeline crossing of public roads are to be cased and vented.
- (2) If crossings are made by excavation rather than boring, the roads are to be restored to their original condition, and such cuts are to be maintained until sufficient compaction is attained.
- (3) All crossings of drainage canals, streams, ditches are to be made in such a manner as to permit future enlargement and/or improvement of the drainage facilities.
- (4) All alterations and/or relocations of the proposed pipeline which may become necessary due to the improvement and/or widening of the public roads and/or drainage canals or public servitudes shall be done entirely at the expense of the permit holder and upon request, even though the above provisions have been met, and each permit issued under this section shall bear a statement to that effect.

Title 12. NUISANCES

Chapter 4. PROMOTIONAL ADVERTISEMENTS IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY

Sec. 12:401. Posters and other advertising prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to paste, post, nail, tack, or attach any signs, cards, pictures, placards or advertisements on cardboard, tin or any other material to any pole, post or object on the streets, alleys or sidewalks of the City; and it shall further be unlawful to suspend or erect any banner, placard or advertisement over and across any public street, alley or other public way within the City.

Sec. 12:402. Leasing or using poles prohibited.

The owners or lessors of any sign, post, lighting stand, guy post, guy wire, shade tree or any other post, pole or object are prohibited from using same for the above named purposes and are also prohibited from granting, letting or leasing the poles, posts, lighting standards, guy wires, guy posts, shade trees or any other posts, poles or objects to any other parties for said purposes or for the purpose of being used in connection with the suspension of any banner, placard or advertisement of any kind over and across the public streets.

Sec. 12:403. Penalty.

Any person violating the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction in the court, be fined not less than \$25, nor more than \$500, with the additional penalty of being required to remove all evidence of the violation within 24 hours. Each day of the violation shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 2. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication.

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

For:

Cook, Edmonds, Heck, Himmel and Monachello

Against:

NONE

Adopted this 8th day of October, 2024.

Signed this 4th day of October, 2024.

Delivered to Mayor on the 9th day of October, 2024:

Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk

Approved:

Dustin Yates, Mayor

Received from Mayor on the 9th day of October, 2024:

Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk

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