

CITY OF ST. GEORGE

BY COUNCIL MEMBER COOK:

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-002

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE ADOPT-A-STREET AND ADOPT-A-SPOT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENTS WITH PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish the City of St. George Adopt-A-Street and Adopt-A-Spot Program as a cooperative public endeavor between the City and participating community groups, civic organizations, businesses, and individuals for the purpose of litter abatement, beautification, and enhancement of public rights-of-way. The Program promotes civic engagement, reduces municipal maintenance costs, and supports the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of St. George.

SECTION 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM

There is hereby established the City of St. George Adopt-A-Street and Adopt-A-Spot Program (“Program”). The Program shall be administered by the Department of Public Works or such other department or official as designated by the Mayor.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS

- A. “Adopter” means any qualified group, organization, business, or individual approved to participate in the Program.
- B. “Adopted Area” means a segment of public roadway, right-of-way, or municipal property approved for adoption.
- C. “Cooperative Endeavor Agreement” (“CEA”) means the written agreement between the City and the Adopter which sets forth mutual responsibilities and obligations.
- D. “Clean-Up Activity” means the collection and removal of litter and debris in accordance with Program guidelines.

SECTION 4. AUTHORIZATION FOR COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENTS

The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute Cooperative Endeavor Agreements with Adopters for the implementation of this Program. Each CEA shall:

1. Identify the Adopted Area;
2. Establish duties of both parties;
3. Contain indemnification and hold-harmless provisions;
4. Specify the term, renewal, and termination procedures; and
5. Incorporate by reference the Program guidelines and safety rules.

SECTION 5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CITY

The City shall:

1. Designate the Adopted Area approved for participation.
2. Provide garbage bags, safety vests, and related materials subject to availability.
3. Install and maintain program signage acknowledging the Adopter.
4. Remove filled bags and collected debris after each Clean-Up Activity.
5. Provide safety training materials and guidance as necessary.

SECTION 6. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ADOPTER

The Adopter shall:

1. Conduct a minimum of four (4) Clean-Up Activities per year, unless otherwise specified in the CEA.
2. Ensure all volunteers comply with applicable safety rules, traffic laws, and Program guidelines.
3. Notify the City at least seventy-two (72) hours before each scheduled Clean-Up Activity.
4. Keep accurate participation records if required by the City.
5. Comply with all indemnification, waiver, and hold-harmless requirements set forth in the CEA.

SECTION 7. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

All Adopters and volunteers shall comply with mandatory safety rules provided by the City, including but not limited to wearing high-visibility vests, maintaining awareness of traffic conditions, prohibiting children under twelve (12) years of age in roadway cleanups, and adhering to weather-related precautions.

SECTION 8. TERM, RENEWAL, AND TERMINATION

- A. Each CEA shall be valid for a term of two (2) years unless otherwise stated.
- B. Adopters in good standing shall have a right of first renewal, subject to the City's discretion and availability of Adopted Areas.
- C. Either party may terminate the CEA for convenience with thirty (30) days' written notice.
- D. The City may remove an Adopter for failure to comply with Program rules, safety requirements, or obligations under the CEA.

SECTION 9. SIGNAGE AND PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Upon execution of a CEA and completion of the first Clean-Up Activity, the City shall install a sign acknowledging the Adopter. All signage shall remain the property of the City and may be removed at any time at the City's discretion or upon termination of the CEA.

SECTION 10. APPLICABILITY

This Ordinance applies to all municipal roadways, rights-of-way, and other areas designated by the City as eligible for adoption.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council of the City of St. George, Louisiana.

This ordinance having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was:

For: Cook, Dellucci, Edmonds, Himmel, Monachello, Murrell, Talbot

Against:

Absent / Abstaining / Recused:

Introduced on January 13, 2026 and adopted on January 27, 2026.




Lorraine Beaman, City Clerk

Delivered to Mayor on January 28, 2026.



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Approved:



Dustin Yates, Mayor

Received from Mayor on Feb 2, 2026

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