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**2015-0378**

**INTRODUCED BY: PAUL J. HOGAN, PE, COUNCILMAN, DISTRICT IV**

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-11-4**

An ordinance of the Parish of St. Charles providing that the Code of Ordinances, Parish of St. Charles, be amended by revising Chapter 24 Noise, Section 24-4. Maximum permissible sound limits. (Table 1), and Section 24-6. Prohibitions.

**THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION I.** That the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24 Noise, Section 24-4. Maximum permissible sound limits. to amend Table 1 Maximum Permissible Sound Levels by Receiving Land Use Category – Residential, and Section 24-6. Prohibitions. is amended by adding (12) and (13) as follows:

**Section 24-4. Maximum permissible sound limits.**

TABLE 1

Maximum Permissible Sound Levels By Receiving Land Use Category

		(Db(A))
Residential, noise-sensitive area, public space	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	50
	10:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.	45

**Section 24-6. Prohibitions.**

(12) From upon private property, making or causing to be made abusive, offensive, profane or obscene language that is plainly audible to others nearby, engage in unlawful, boisterous, noisy, violent, indecent or obscene conduct or activity, with the intent of provoking, disturbing, annoying and disrupting an individual and/or arousing anger, fear or resentment in others.

The issuance of a citation for any of these prohibited activities shall require the witnessing of a law enforcement officer, other than the complainant when the individual making the complaint is an officer of the law, or video evidence sufficient to demonstrate probable cause that a prohibited activity has occurred. The citation shall require the signature of the individual filing the complaint.

(13) Having a party or gathering in a residential area which deprives an adjoining or nearby property owner, renter, or lessee of the peaceful use and enjoyment of the property which they occupy. Deprivation of one's peaceful use and enjoyment of the property which they occupy is a result of, but is not limited to, parties or gatherings where there is excessive loud talking, repetitive yelling, loud music, continuous use of loud equipment or machinery, or any other continuous or repetitive loud sounds emanating from a party or gathering. The issuance of a citation for the deprivation shall require the witnessing of the circumstance causing the deprivation by a law enforcement officer, other than the complainant when the individual making the complaint is an officer of the law, or video evidence sufficient to demonstrate probable cause that deprivation has occurred. The citation shall require the signature of the individual filing the complaint. Upon the issuance of a citation, the officer of the law shall order the party or gathering to immediately cease and for all guest to disperse from the premises in an orderly manner.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: SCHEXNAYDRE, WILSON, HOGAN, COCHRAN, FLETCHER, FISHER-PERRIER  
NAYS: TASTET, BENEDETTO  
ABSENT: LEWIS

And the ordinance was declared adopted this 2nd day of November, 2015, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

2015-0378 Amend Chapter 24 Noise 24-4 and 24-6 (10-08-15) (10-19-15)

CHAIRMAN: \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY: \_\_\_\_\_

DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_ DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH PRESIDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

RETD/SECRETARY: \_\_\_\_\_

AT: 5:44 pm RECD BY: \_\_\_\_\_