Ord.

2015-0005

INTRODUCED BY: V.J. ST. PIERRE, JR., PARISH PRESIDENT

ORDINANCE NO.

15-1-10

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances Appendix A, Section VI.B.[I].1.c.(3), Section VI.B.[II].1.c., and Section VI.B.[III].1.c.(4) to remove development restrictions and to allow golf courses and country clubs to partner with for profit businesses to provide customary accessory uses as a Special Permit Use.

WHEREAS, The St. Charles Parish Council recognizes that golf courses and country clubs generally are nonprofit organizations that rely on membership revenues; and,

WHEREAS, golf courses and country clubs were developed in the late 50s and 60s in many St. Charles Parish communities to provide recreation, community gathering opportunities, and limited services for members; and,

WHEREAS, this business model has suffered due to declining membership; and,

WHEREAS, most golf courses and country clubs are located in residential zoning districts which generally prohibit many of the accessory uses typically expected at a golf course or country club such as retail, personal services, and health and fitness services unless these are offered through the non-profit golf course or country club; and,

WHEREAS, golf courses and country clubs may be better able to keep their facilities viable by leasing space to for profit business owners to operate on/within their facility; and,

WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish Council wishes to permit customary accessory uses in golf courses and country clubs as a Special Permit Use rather than requiring commercial zoning.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. That the Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Section VI.B.[I].1.c.(3). Special permit uses in the R1(A) zoning district is hereby amended as follows—with strikethrough to be deleted and **bold** to be added: "Golf courses (but not miniature courses or driving ranges), and-country clubs, and customary accessory uses with a site of at least five (5) acres and with all parking at least fifty (50) feet from rear and side property lines."

SECTION II. That the Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Section VI.B.[II].1.c. Special permit uses in the R-1A(M) zoning district is hereby amended as follows—with strikethrough to be deleted and **bold** to be added: "Golf courses (but not miniature courses or driving ranges), and-country clubs, and customary accessory uses with a site of at least five (5) acres and with all parking at least fifty (50) feet from rear and side property lines."

SECTION III. That the Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Section VI.B.[III].1.c.(4) Special permit uses in the R-1B zoning district is hereby amended as follows—with strikethrough to be deleted and **bold** to be added: "Golf courses (but not miniature courses or driving ranges), and country clubs, and customary accessory uses (non-profit) with a site of at least five (5) acres and with all parking at least fifty (50) feet from rear and side property lines."

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

YEAS:

SCHEXNAYDRE, WILSON, WOODRUFF, BENEDETTO, COCHRAN,

FLETCHER, FISHER-PERRIER

NAYS:

LEWIS, HOGAN

ABSENT: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted this <u>26th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2015, to become effective five (3) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN:
SECRETARY:
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT:
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