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MEMORANDUM

DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 2017

TO: MR. ROBERT RAYMOND
LEGAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

FROM : PAUL J. HOGAN, PE
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE, DIVISION B

RE: LEGAL OPINION REQUEST
LO-2017-0003

Please review the following code provisions and provide a legal opinion as to the questions below:

Off-street parking in general:

9. At intersections of driveways and alleys with streets, no fence hedge, wall, sign, or other structure shall be erected, placed, or allowed to grow in such a manner as to impede vision between a height of two and one-half (2½) feet and ten (10) feet above the established driveway or alley grade level.
 - (a) No shrubs, trees, and plantings on parish right-of-ways, easements, and servitudes should be allowed to impede the vehicular sight lines of vehicles travelling on or entering onto parish streets which are located within such right-of-ways, easements, and servitudes.
7. Shrubs and trees.
 - a) No shrubs or trees shall be positioned to block any vehicular travel sight line.
1. Do these provisions allow for obstructions to be trimmed, removed, or addressed by whatever means necessary by the parish with respect to items blocking lines of sight or impeding vision, if they are located within a dedicated street right-of-way?

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2. Do these provisions allow for obstructions to be trimmed, removed, or addressed by whatever means necessary by the parish with respect to items blocking lines of sight or impeding vision, if they are located within a non-dedicated street right-of-way?
3. Do these provisions allow for obstructions to be trimmed, removed, or addressed by whatever means necessary by the parish with respect to items blocking lines of sight or impeding vision, if they are located within drainage, sewer, or any other non-street right-of-ways?

Your timely response to this request is as always greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

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cc: Parish Council
Parish President Larry Cochran