



St. Charles Parish

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**INTRODUCED BY: V.J. ST. PIERRE, JR., PARISH PRESIDENT
(DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING)**

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance to adopt the St. Charles Parish Comprehensive Land Use Plan: St. Charles 2030.

WHEREAS, the current Comprehensive Land Use Plan for St. Charles Parish was adopted on August 13, 1990 (Ord. 90-8-2), and has not been updated since that time; and,

WHEREAS, the Council entered into a contract with WRT, LLC consulting firm (Ord. 09-4-8) to lead the Parish in the development of a new Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and,

WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish received a grant from the Center for Planning Excellence (CPEX) in the amount of \$100,000 and received technical staff assistance from CPEX for the development of a new Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and,

WHEREAS, a citizen-based steering committee guided the Plan development and helped form policy ideas; and,

WHEREAS, the public was engaged throughout the development of the Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the public participated in three major workshops: Visioning Sessions (August 18 - October 12, 2009); Shape the Future (March 15-16, 2010); and, Open Houses (November 8-10, 2010) and presentations to community groups; and,

WHEREAS, the Public Information Office provided ongoing updates through the parish website, social media sites, television broadcasts, on-line survey and produced an informational video about the Steering Committee and process; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish Council passed Resolution No. 5692 endorsing the St. Charles Parish 2030 Vision Statement which set the framework for the Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan contains seven (7) elements: Economic Development; Land Use, Housing and Community Character; Transportation; Infrastructure, Community Facilities, Parks and Recreation and Natural and Cultural Resources which establish goals, policies and action items which provide the pathway to achieving the adopted vision; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan contains a Future Land Use Map which graphically represents the Parish's potential land use and growth pattern into the future; and,

WHEREAS, an Implementation Action Plan is included in the Plan to assist the Parish in prioritizing projects and to implement the policies of the Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan incorporates the public input received throughout the entire planning process; and,

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee met on May 3, 2011 and voted to forward the Plan to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a public hearing; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan was made available to the public on May 19, 2011; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on June 2, 2011 to consider the Plan and take public comments; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission passed a Resolution to approve the plan with one amendment which was appended to the resolution.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. That the St. Charles Parish Comprehensive Land Use Plan: St. Charles 2030, Policy Document, dated May 9, 2011 as amended by the Planning and Zoning Commission on June 2, 2011, is hereby approved and adopted.

SECTION II. That the final document shall be printed and filed in the St. Charles Parish Clerk of Courts Office and in the records of the St. Charles Parish Council.

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

And the ordinance was declared adopted this _____ day of _____, 2011, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: _____

SECRETARY: _____

DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: _____

APPROVED: _____ DISAPPROVED: _____

PARISH PRESIDENT: _____

RETD/SECRETARY: _____

AT: _____ RECD BY: _____