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ADOPTION

INTRODUCTION

CITY OF COVINGTON
STATE OF LOUISIANA

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2023-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURCHASE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON A PARCEL OF PROPERTY IN SECTION 37, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 11 EAST, ST. TAMMANY PARISH, LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, the City of Covington owns and operates the Ozone ball field and recreational facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington desires to expand the Ozone recreational facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington has identified a parcel of property adjacent to the City property that is available for purchase; and

WHEREAS, this parcel of property is in a key location for the further development of the Ozone recreational facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington has had the property appraised and the property appraised for $40,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Owner has agreed to sell the property for the appraised value; and.

Whereas, the Covington City Council desires to formally authorize the purchase of the property for $40,000.00; and

Whereas, the purchase is in the best interest of the citizens of Covington to provide additional recreational facilities to said citizens,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Covington, at its regular session convened, that the Mayor of the City of Covington be and is hereby authorized to purchase for the City of Covington the following described property for the sum of $40,000.00 cash, to wit:

> ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and all the rights, ways, means, privileges, servitudes, prescriptions, advantages and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, and being more fully described as follows:
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> From the Northwest corner of Section 37, Township 6 South, Range 11 East, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, run South 1331.85 feet to a point; thence South 64 degrees, 55 minutes East, a distance of 458.79 feet; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes East a distance of 1078.00 feet; and thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes West a distance of 400.0 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING:
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> From the POINT OF BEGINNING, go North 89 degrees 30 minutes East 200.8 feet to a point; thence go North 00 degrees 15 minutes West 188.0 feet to the center line of a drainage canal; thence go North 83 degrees 44 minutes West 202.00 feet to a point; thence go South 00 degrees 15 minutes East 211.70 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
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> Being the same property acquired by Covington First Church of The Nazarene by cash sale dated February 1, 1985 and recorded at Act No. 571448 of the records of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions herein which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

WHEREUPON, this ordinance having been submitted in writing, having been read by title and adopted at a public meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington, State of Louisiana, was then submitted to an official vote as a whole, the vote thereon being as follows:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION by Botsford, seconded by Rolling.

YEAS: 7 **ABSENT:** 0

NAYS: 0 **ABSTAIN:** 0

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of June, 2023.

/s/ _____
LARRY ROLLING
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

/s/ Jo Ann D Rucker
JOANN D. RUCKER
COUNCIL CLERK

Presented to the Mayor on this 7th day of June, 2023, at 9:15 o'clock A.M.

/s/ Jo Ann D. Rucker
JOANN D. RUCKER
COUNCIL CLERK

Approved ✓ or Vetoed ___ by the Mayor on this 7th day of June, 2023.

/s/ _____
MARK R. JOHNSON
MAYOR

Received from the Mayor on this 7th day of June, 2023, at 11:10 o'clock A.M.

/s/ Jo Ann D Rucker
JOANN D. RUCKER
COUNCIL CLERK