ORDINANCE # 2024-13
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INTRODUCTION

CITY OF COVINGTON
STATE OF LOUISIANA

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2024-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURCHASE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, LOTS 4, 5, AND 6 SQUARE 11 DIVISION OF ST. JOHN, CITY OF COVINGTON, ST. TAMMANY PARISH, LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, lack of adequate parking is an issue in downtown Covington; and

WHEREAS, a parcel of property at the corner of Boston and Florida Streets is for sale; and

WHEREAS, the property's location is ideal for parking to support businesses in downtown Covington; and

WHEREAS, acquiring ownership of the property is in the best interest of the City to facilitate parking in downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington has had the property appraised and it appraised for $1,500,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the property, 627 Boston Street, LLC has agreed to sell the property to the City of Covington for the appraised price; and

WHEREAS, the Covington City Council desires to formally authorize the purchase of the property for $1,500,000.00 cash; and

WHEREAS, the purchase is in the best interest of the citizens of Covington to provide parking in downtown Covington,

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 $1,500,000.00 cash, to wit:

> ALL THOSE CERTAIN LOTS OR PARCELS 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 City of Covington, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, and being more fully described as follows:
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> Lots 4, 5 and 6, Square 11, Division of St. John, City of Covington.
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> Said square is bounded by Boston, Columbia, Rutland and Florida streets. Lot 4 has a front of 50 feet on Boston Street, by a depth of 120 feet on a public alley and Lots 5 and 6 have a front of 60 feet each on Boston Street, by a depth of 120 feet between equal and parallel lines. Lot 6 forms the corner of Boston and Florida Streets.
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> Said property bears municipal number 627 East Boston Street, Covington, LA 70433

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 Weiss.

YEAS: 6 **ABSENT:** 1

NAYS: 0 **ABSTAIN:** 0

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of July, 2024.

/s/ _____
MARK VERRET
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

/s/ _____
JOANN RUCKER
COUNCIL CLERK

Presented to the Mayor on this 17th day of July, 2024, at 8:30 o'clock A.M.

/s/ _____
JOANN RUCKER
COUNCIL CLERK

Approved ✓ or Vetoed ___ by the Mayor on this 17th day of July, 2024.

/s/ _____
MARK R. JOHNSON
MAYOR

Received from the Mayor on this 17th day of July, 2024, at 1:30 o'clock A.M.

/s/ _____
JOANN RUCKER
COUNCIL CLERK