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ADOPTION

INTRODUCTION

CITY OF COVINGTON
STATE OF LOUISIANA

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2025-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SELL ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON A PORTION OF THE SOUTH MONROE STREET RIGHT OF WAY BETWEEN WEST 15TH AVENUE AND WEST 14TH AVENUE, CITY OF COVINGTON, ST. TAMMANY PARISH, LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, the South Monroe Street right of way is a public right of way owned by the City of Covington; and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington has received an application for the private sale of a portion of the South Monroe Street right of way between West 15th Ave. and West 14th Ave. from Jerry Braswell, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has received the recommendation of the City Planning Commission regarding said sale, and;

WHEREAS, the Covington City Council has determined that a portion of the South Monroe Street right of way, described as:

A certain parcel of ground being a portion of the right-of-way of South Monroe Street, lying between Squares 1403 and 1404, West 14th Ave. and West 15th Ave., Division of New Covington, City of Covington, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana and more fully described as follows:

Commencing from a ½ inch iron rod found at the intersection of the north side of West 14th Ave. and the east side of South Monroe Street at the southwest corner of Square 1403 and the Point of Beginning.,

Thence North 56 degrees 55 minutes 03 seconds West 50.0 feet along the north side of West 14th Ave. to a ½ inch iron rod set on the west side of South Monroe Street at the Southeast corner of Square 1404; thence North 32 degrees 54 minutes 57 seconds East 300.0 feet along the west side of South Monroe Street to a ½ inch rod set on the south side of West 15th Ave. at the northeast corner of Square 1404; thence South 57 degrees 02 minutes 13 seconds East 50.0 feet along the south side of West 15th Ave. to a ½ inch rod set on the east side of South Monroe Street at the northwest corner of Square 1403; thence South 32 degrees 56 minutes 43 seconds West 150.0

feet along the east side of South Monroe Street to an iron rod found in PVC pipe; thence South 32 degrees 53 minutes 12 seconds West 150.10 feet along the east side of South Monroe Street to the Point of Beginning. All as more fully shown on the survey by John G. Cummings, PLS, dated March 5, 2026, job number 26032, is no longer needed for public use or purposes, and;

WHEREAS, the sale of the property is in the best interest of the City;

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 execute an act of sale to Jerry Braswell on behalf of the City of Covington of the following described property:

A certain parcel of ground being a portion of the right-of-way of South Monroe Street, lying between Squares 1403 and 1404, West 14th Ave. and West 15th Ave., Division of New Covington, City of Covington, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana and more fully described as follows:

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City of Covington shall appoint an expert appraiser who shall appraise the property and the property shall be sold for not less than the appraised value; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the deed shall retain all mineral rights in favor of the City.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City of Covington shall reserve a perpetual predial servitude of drainage located within the property to be sold. THE City of Covington shall have full access to the servitude and the right to maintain the servitude and the right to install such drainage lines, features and facilities as shall be necessary to allow and accommodate such drainage.

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 Bushnell.

YEAS: 5 **ABSENT:** 2

NAYS: 0 **ABSTAIN:** 0

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of July, 2026.

/s/ _____
MARK W. VERRET
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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

Presented to the Mayor on this 8th day of July, 2026, at 9:00 o'clock A.M.

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

Approved ✓ or Vetoed ___ by the Mayor on this 9th day of July, 2026.

/s/ _____
~~MARK R. JOHNSON~~ Erin Stair
~~MAYOR~~ Acting Mayor

Received from the Mayor on this 9th day of July, 2026, at 9:20 o'clock A.M.

/s/ _____
JOANN D.RUCKER
COUNCIL CLERK