

ORDINANCE NO. JO-079-2021

A JOINT ORDINANCE OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL AND THE LAFAYETTE PARISH COUNCIL AMENDING CHAPTER 86, "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES," OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY-PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD ARTICLE XI, "LAFAYETTE TRANSIT SYSTEM"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council, that:

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government maintains a public transportation system within the City of Lafayette; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. O-169-2008 presently sets forth the public transportation services provided by the Lafayette Transit System and fares charged for such services; and

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council desire to amend and enact certain public transportation services and fares; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council desires to include this information in the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 86 of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Code of Ordinances to include a section regarding the Lafayette Transit System; and

WHEREAS, also, under the section pertaining to the Lafayette Transit System the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council desire to add a section concerning transit shelter advertising.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council, that:

SECTION 1: All of the aforescribed "Whereas" clauses are hereby adopted as part of this ordinance.

SECTION 2: The Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Code of Ordinances, Chapter 86, is hereby amended by adding and enacting Article XI. "Lafayette Transit System," Section 86-200, "Services and Fares," which shall read as follows:

Type	Description	Fare
1 – Fixed Route Service		
Full Adult Fare	Persons between the ages of 13 and 65, inclusive, who do not qualify for, or elect not to utilize any other fare	\$1.00
Child	Persons whose height is less than 46 inches, or below the indicated mark on the bus and between the ages of five (5) through 12 years, inclusive. Determination to be made by the bus operator.	\$0.90
Small Child	Persons whose height is less than 42 inches, or below the indicated mark on the bus and under five (5) years of age. Determination to be made by the bus operator.	Exempt

Senior, Medicare, Disabled	Persons meeting any one (1) of the following conditions: 1. Able to display a generally recognized picture identification indicating the person's age is 65 years or more, or 2. Able to produce a valid Medicare card and a generally recognized picture identification card (any age), or 3. Able to produce a valid picture identification card issued by LTS indicating the person qualifies for a reduced fare.	\$0.50
Adult Yearly Pass	Pass valid for one person to utilize an unlimited number of rides for a calendar year	25.00
Reduced Adult Yearly Pass	Pass valid for one person who meets the conditions of Senior, Medicare or Disabled fare as listed above to utilize an unlimited number of rides for a calendar year.	\$12.50
Type	Description.	Fare
2 – Shuttle Service		
Shuttle 12 Ride Pass	Fare charged to all persons for special events, tours or shuttles established by LTS separate from the fixed route service.	\$2.00
3 – Charter Service		
Charter	Charges for incidental charter service upon availability. Charges are for the total time the buses are made available for the charter	\$500 for first four (4) hours & \$100 for each additional hour or any portion of an hour
4 – Paratransit Service		
Paratransit	Fare charged to persons meeting LTS paratransit eligibility requirements for paratransit service	\$2.00
15-ride Passbook	Pass valid for persons meeting LTS paratransit eligibility requirements for 15 rides for Paratransit service only.	\$1.50
5-Downtown Transit Route		
All Fares	All persons parking in the Downtown area are eligible on such routes designated to be a Downtown Transit Route by LTS.	Exempt

SECTION 3: The Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Code of Ordinances, Chapter 86, is hereby amended by adding and enacting Article XI. "Lafayette Transit System," Section 86-201, "Transit Shelter Advertising," which shall read as follows:

The Director has the authority to issue monthly permits for advertising space on LTS transit shelters in accordance with the following schedule. The Director is authorized to vary advertising rates based on demand, location and/or time of year; provided, however that the rates are within the amounts set forth in the table below. The Director is also authorized to bill monthly any person or organization for the advertising space. The Director is further authorized to set the regulations and payment methods for such permits.

Monthly Rate per Shelter Advertising Panel
\$200 - \$600*

*In the event an agreement is executed with a third party to manage advertisements on the LTS transit shelters, the foregoing rates shall not apply. The rates for shelter advertisement shall be determined and regulated in accordance with the terms of the agreement executed with the third party to manage the LTS transit shelter advertisement.

SECTION 4: Amendments to the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Code of Ordinances, Chapter 86, Traffic and Vehicles, Ordinance No. O-169-2008 shall be reflected in any pertinent documents which are attached hereto and made a part hereof and filed in the Office of the Lafayette Clerk of the Council.

SECTION 5: All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6: After first having been adopted by a majority of the authorized membership of both the Lafayette Parish Council and the Lafayette City Council, this joint ordinance shall become effective upon signature of this joint ordinance by the Lafayette Mayor-President, the elapse of ten (10) days after receipt by the Lafayette Mayor-President without signature or veto, or upon override of a veto, whichever occurs first.

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Internal Memorandum

Traffic, Roads, & Bridges Department
Office of the Director (5102)

TO: Cydra Wingerter

DATE: November 1, 2021

FROM: Warren Abadie

**SUBJECT: Agenda Item: Joint Ordinance
Lafayette Transit System Fare Modification**

Attached is a joint ordinance modifying the Lafayette City-Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 86 by amending and enacting changes that will reduce the transit fare and allow greater access to public transit services. The base fare will remain \$1.00 per trip but will add an option for users of the system to purchase a yearly pass for \$25.00 per year. We are also hopeful that the yearly rate will encourage employers to provide transit passes for their employees that use the system.

If you concur, please place on the next appropriate Council agenda.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Warren Abadie", is written over a horizontal line.

Warren Abadie, P.E.
Director of Traffic, Roads, & Bridges

WA:cs

C: Project File

LAFAYETTE JOINT COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL FORM

1) **JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:** A joint ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and Lafayette Parish Council Amending Chapter 86 "Traffic and Vehicles," of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Code of Ordinances to add Article XI, "Lafayette Transit System".

2) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Adoption of ordinance

3) **REQUESTED ACTION OF COUNCIL:**

A) **INTRODUCTION:** November 16, 2021

B) **FINAL ADOPTION:** December 1, 2021

4) **DOCUMENTATION INCLUDED WITH THIS REQUEST:**

A) Cover Memo from Director (1 page)

B) Submittal Item Justification Form (1 page)

C) Ordinance (3 pages)

5) **FISCAL IMPACT:**

X Fiscal Impact – Reduction in Transit Fare Revenue

 No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDED BY:



DIRECTOR, TRAFFIC ROADS & BRIDGES

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER