

CITY ORDINANCE NO. CO-011-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE LAFAYETTE MAYOR-PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE AND THE LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD CONCERNING THE REDESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL AND AMENDING THE FY 25/26 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET BY CREATING A BUDGET ACCOUNT FOR THE LPSS SIDEWALK IGA-LAFAYETTE HIGH WORKORDER PROJECT AND TRANSFERRING \$95,000 FROM SIDEWALK & CURB REPAIRS TO THE LPSS SIDEWALK IGA-LAFAYETTE HIGH WORKORDER PROJECT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Lafayette City Council, that:

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana provides that “For a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions . . . may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual;” and

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Parish School Board (hereinafter referred to as the “School Board”) is in the process of completing the renovations and construction of the new school campus for Lafayette High School (hereinafter referred to as the “LHS Improvements”); and

WHEREAS, as part of the LHS Improvements some of the existing sidewalks located on the campus will be demolished and reconstructed; and

WHEREAS, there exists a sidewalk that runs along West Congress Street from Marie Antionette Street to Foreman Drive (hereinafter referred to as the “Congress Sidewalk”), which, under the current design of the LHS Improvements, will be demolished, in part, and reconstructed for functional purposes consistent with the newly reconstructed LHS Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lafayette (hereinafter referred to as the “City”) desires that the Congress Sidewalk be not only functional, but also a vibrant and esthetically pleasing urban design that complements the newly renovated school campus and the community’s unique identity (hereinafter sometimes referred to simply as the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the City desires to assist the School Board financially with the Project; and

WHEREAS, although not yet reduced to a written agreement, preliminary discussions with representatives of the School Board have occurred, and the School Board is amenable to and supportive of the Project pending the resolution and/or acquisition of certain servitudes necessary for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City has the authority to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the School Board concerning the redesign and construction of the Congress Sidewalk as evidenced by its governmental purpose of supporting or enhancing education and cultural and artistic development; and

WHEREAS, the public purpose of the Project is to provide a rich and dynamic visual, cultural and artistic experience that complements the reconstruction and modernization of the LHS Improvements, which will improve academic performance and boost teacher recruitment and retention, and instill pride among students and faculty, while providing an effective and vibrant learning environment, fostering community engagement, and increasing property values in the City of Lafayette; and

WHEREAS, the City has a reasonable expectation of receiving a benefit or value that is at least equivalent to or greater than the consideration to be provided for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the transfer or expenditure of public funds or property is not a gratuitous donation.

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

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

SECTION 2: The Lafayette Mayor-President is hereby authorized to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement by and between the City of Lafayette and the Lafayette Parish School Board concerning the Project, on such terms and conditions as the Lafayette Mayor-President deems appropriate and necessary. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, any such cooperative endeavor agreement, and other necessary agreements or documents shall be submitted to the Lafayette City Council for separate approval, which approval may be by resolution in accordance with Section 2-11(C) of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Home Rule Charter.

SECTION 3: The Lafayette Mayor-President is hereby further authorized to execute any and all other documents, including, but not limited to, any servitude agreements or encroachment agreements, and take any and all other action that is necessary, convenient or desirable to accomplish the purpose specified in this ordinance.

SECTION 4: The FY 25/26 capital improvements budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government is hereby amended by creating a budget account for the LPSS SIDEWALK IGA-LAFAYETTE HIGH WORKORDER project and transferring \$95,000 from SIDEWALK & CURB REPAIRS to the LPSS SIDEWALK IGA-LAFAYETTE HIGH WORKORDER project.

SECTION 5: The creation of the account for the LPSS SIDEWALK IGA-LAFAYETTE HIGH WORKORDER project and transfer of the \$95,000 from SIDEWALK & CURB REPAIRS to the LPSS SIDEWALK IGA-LAFAYETTE HIGH WORKORDER project shall be reflected in any pertinent documents which are attached hereto and made a part hereof and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Council.

SECTION 6: The funding for the Project shall be funded in part from Account Number FM22034865-44100170-89000BD242-890000-4410-GG-015-107-0170-890000-BD2402-000000-000000 as provided in the Capital Improvement budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government and in part by the LPSS SIDEWALK IGA-LAFAYETTE HIGH WORKORDER project account created herein.

SECTION 7: All ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8: This ordinance shall become effective upon signature of the Lafayette Mayor-President, the elapse of ten (10) days after receipt by the Lafayette Mayor-President without signature or veto, or upon an override of a veto, whichever occurs first.

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Fiscal Year: 2026

Ordinance #: _____

Budget Adjustment Codes:
Intra-dept transfer of approp

AUTHORIZATION FOR BUDGETARY REVISIONS

Fund: Description:
4850 1985 SALES TAX CAP IMPROV-CITY

Justification:
To transfer funds from SIDEWALK & CURB REPAIRS to create new LPSS SIDEWALK (GA-LAFAYETTE HIGH workorder.

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PROJECT STRING	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	GL ACCOUNT	GL ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ADJUSTMENT AMOUNT	CURRENT PS BUDGET	ADJUSTED BUDGET	CURRENT GL BUDGET	ADJUSTED BUDGET
FR26039341-48505124-CAPITAL-890000	SIDEWALK & CURB REPAIRS	4850-SI-052-258-5124-890000-000000-000000-000000	CAPITAL OUTLAY	(95,000.00)	95,000.00	0.00	1,129,600.00	1,034,600.00
FR26000622-48505124-CAPITAL-890000	LPSS SIDEWALK (GA-LAFAYETTE HIGH	4850-SI-052-258-5124-890000-000000-000000-000000	CAPITAL OUTLAY	95,000.00	0.00	95,000.00	1,034,600.00	1,129,600.00
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BUDGET MGMT.								
Total Adjustments 0.00								

Note: Revenue is a credit account therefore an increase is a credit (minus) and a decrease is a debit (plus). Expense is a debit account therefore an increase is a debit (plus) and a decrease is a credit (minus).

Reserve Balances (Budget Use Only)

Operation Funds
Reserve Accum Use of P.Y. Fund Balance
Transfer No. _____ Balance After This Transfer _____

Capital Funds
Reserve Accum Use of P.Y. Fund Balance
Transfer No. _____ Balance After This Transfer _____

[Signature]

[Signature]

DIVISION HEAD _____ DATE _____ DEPARTMENT HEAD _____ DATE _____ BUDGET MANAGEMENT OFFICER *[Signature]* DATE _____ MAYOR-PRESIDENT _____ DATE _____



Memorandum

Legal Department
Patrick S. Ottinger, City-Parish Attorney

TO: Joseph Gordon-Wiltz, Clerk of the Councils **DATE:** January 26, 2026

THRU: Rachel Godeaux, CAO

FROM: Tammy Parker Pratt, Assistant City-Parish Attorney

SUBJECT: **CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA – Introduction February 10, 2026; Final Adoption February 24, 2026** - An Ordinance of the Lafayette City Council Authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of Lafayette and the Lafayette Parish School Board Concerning the Redesign and Construction of the Sidewalk in Front of Lafayette High School and Amending the FY 25/26 Capital Improvements Budget by Creating a Budget Account for the LPSS Sidewalk IGA-Lafayette High Workorder Project and Transferring \$95,000.00 from Sidewalk & Curb Repairs to the LPPS Sidewalk IGA-Lafayette High Workorder Project

Enclosed please find: (i) the Agenda Item Submittal Form; (ii) An Ordinance of the Lafayette City Council Authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of Lafayette and the Lafayette Parish School Board Concerning the Redesign and Construction of the Sidewalk in Front of Lafayette High School and Amending the FY 25/26 Capital Improvements Budget by Creating a Budget Account for the LPSS Sidewalk IGA-Lafayette High Workorder Project and Transferring \$95,000.00 from Sidewalk & Curb Repairs to the LPPS Sidewalk IGA-Lafayette High Workorder Project; and (iii) budgetary revision documentation.

This is a City Ordinance as it pertains to a city project.

If all is in order, kindly sign and present to the Council Office in order that it be put on the City Council agenda to be introduced at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, with final adoption on Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

Thanks,


Tammy Parker Pratt
Assistant City-Parish Attorney

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LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL FORM

1) **JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:** An Ordinance of the Lafayette City Council Authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of Lafayette and the Lafayette Parish School Board Concerning the Redesign and Construction of the Sidewalk in Front of Lafayette High School and Amending the FY 25/26 Capital Improvements Budget by Creating a Budget Account for the LPSS Sidewalk IGA-Lafayette High Workorder Project and Transferring \$95,000.00 from Sidewalk & Curb Repairs to the LPSS Sidewalk IGA-Lafayette High Workorder Project

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

3) **COUNCIL DISTRICT(S) (CIP PROGRAM/PROJECTS ONLY):** N/A

4) **REQUESTED ACTION OF COUNCIL:**

A) **INTRODUCTION:** February 10, 2026

B) **FINAL ADOPTION:** February 24, 2026

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

A) Cover Memo (1 page)

B) Submittal Form (1 page)

C) Ordinance (3 pages)

D) Budgetary Revisions (1 page)

6) **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Fiscal Impact (Explain)

No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDED BY:



PATRICK S. OTTINGER
LEGAL

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:



RACHEL GODEAUX
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER