

ORDINANCE NO. JO-032-2026

**A JOINT ORDINANCE OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL AND THE
LAFAYETTE PARISH COUNCIL ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE TO SELL
SURPLUS MOVABLE PROPERTY VALUED AT LESS THAN \$5,000 NO LONGER
NEEDED FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE THROUGH A PUBLIC INTERNET AUCTION**

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

WHEREAS, the disposition of surplus property reduces storage costs, generates revenues, and promotes sustainability; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:4711.1 authorizes a political subdivision to sell surplus movable property using electronic technology, including internet websites created expressly for the purpose of facilitating the sale whether privately or publicly owned; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General has stated that political subdivisions should dispose of surplus movable property no longer needed for a public purpose and has recognized La. R.S. 33:4711.1 as one of the methods by which political subdivisions can dispose of such property; and

WHEREAS, to streamline matters, the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council desire to enact an ordinance that sets forth a procedure for the disposition of surplus movable property valued at less than \$5,000 no longer needed for a public purpose through a public internet auction to the highest bidder.

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

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

SECTION 2: It is in the best interest of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government to sell surplus movable property valued at less than \$5,000 no longer needed for a public purpose through a public internet auction to the highest bidder.

SECTION 3: All items shall be sold in an "as-is, where-is" condition. LCG reserves the right to reject any and all bids, establish minimum bid prices, or withdraw items from the sale.

SECTION 4: Before surplus movable property valued at less than \$5,000 can be sold through a public internet auction, a resolution with a list of the items to be sold along with the fair market value as the minimum price for the sale of such items shall be presented to the appropriate council for approval and declared as surplus property no longer needed for a public purpose. Upon the resolution's approval, the resolution with the list of items to be sold along with the fair market value as the minimum price for the sale of such items shall be published in the official

journal. LCG shall not proceed with the sale of the property, until the resolution with the list of items to be sold shall be published in the official journal.

SECTION 5: The Lafayette Mayor-President is authorized to sell at a public internet auction surplus movable property valued at less than \$5,000 as provided in the resolution or list, attached thereto, approved by the respective council.

SECTION 6: The Lafayette Mayor-President is authorized to pay the costs associated with the internet services from the proceeds of such sales.

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

SECTION 8: 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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Memorandum

Legal Department
Robert A. Mahtook, Jr., City-Parish Attorney

TO: Joseph Gordon-Wiltz, Clerk of the Council **DATE:** August 13, 2026

THRU: Rachel Godeaux, CAO

FROM: Tammy Parker Pratt, Assistant City-Parish Attorney

SUBJECT: **CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA – Introduction September 1, 2026; Final Adoption September 15, 2026** – A Joint Ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council Establishing a Procedure to Sell Surplus Movable Property Valued at Less than \$5,000 No Longer Needed for a Public Purpose through a Public Internet Auction

Enclosed please find: (i) Agenda Item Submittal Form; and (ii) A Joint Ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and the Lafayette Parish Council Establishing a Procedure to Sell Surplus Movable Property Valued at Less than \$5,000 No Longer Needed for a Public Purpose through a Public Internet Auction.

La. R.S. 33:4711.1 authorizes the Lafayette Consolidated Government to sell surplus movable property using internet websites that facilitate such sales. The ordinance authorizes the use of a public internet auction to sell surplus movable property valued at less than \$5,000 and sets forth the procedure for declaring the property surplus property no longer needed for a public purpose and obtaining council approval.

If all is in order, please present to the Council Office in order that it be put on the agendas of the City Council and Parish Council to be introduced at the respective Council meetings on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, with final adoption on Tuesday, September 15, 2026.

A blue ink signature of Tammy Parker Pratt, written in a cursive style.

Tammy Parker Pratt
Assistant City-Parish Attorney

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LAFAYETTE JOINT COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL FORM

- 1) **JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:** An ordinance of the Lafayette City Council and Lafayette Parish Council Establishing a Procedure to Sell Surplus Movable Property Valued at Less than \$5,000 no Longer Needed for a Public Purpose through a Public Internet Auction

- 2) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Adoption of ordinance_____
- 3) **REQUESTED ACTION OF LAFAYETTE CITY-PARISH COUNCIL:**
A) INTRODUCTION: September 1, 2026
B) FINAL ADOPTION: September 15, 2026
- 4) **DOCUMENTATION INCLUDED WITH THIS REQUEST:**
A) Ordinance (2 pages)
B) Memo (1 page)
C) Submittal Form (1 page)
- 5) **FISCAL IMPACT:**
_____ Fiscal Impact (Explain)

_____ ☒ No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDED BY:



ROBERT A. MAHTOOK, JR.
CITY-PARISH ATTORNEY

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:



RACHEL GODEAUX
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICER