

RESOLUTION

NO. R-25-474

(CLARIFYING AND AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-25-354)

CITY HALL: September 11, 2025

BY: COUNCILMEMBER GIARRUSSO

SECONDED BY:

WHEREAS, the New Orleans City Council on June 26, 2025 adopted Resolution No. R. 25-354 calling an election in the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District on November 15, 2025 for the purpose of authorizing a \$600 fee on each parcel of property within the district for a period of eight years beginning January 1, 2026, as more fully described in the authorizing resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Council has been advised by the Law Department, in consultation with the State Bond Commission, that technical clarification to the ballot proposition language is necessary to effectuate the Council's intent that the foregoing fee shall be in lieu of, and not in addition to, the \$450 parcel fee currently authorized to be levied through 2026 pursuant to an election held on April 28, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to implement the directive of the State Bond Commission by amending the official ballot proposition language appearing in Resolution No. R. 25-354 and in the accompanying public notice of election; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That Resolution No. R-25-354 (attached hereto as Exhibit "A") is hereby amended to substitute the official ballot proposition language that appears in Section 1 on pages 3-4 of the Resolution and on pages 1-2 of the Notice of Election attached as an exhibit thereto with the following to clarify the Council's intent that authorized parcel fee shall be in lieu of, and not in addition to, the \$450 parcel fee currently authorized to be levied through 2026 pursuant to an election held on April 28, 2018:

**“LAKEWOOD CRIME PREVENTION AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
PROPOSITION**

Shall the City of New Orleans levy an annual fee on each parcel within the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District (“District”), as delineated in La. R.S. 33:9091.8(C), in an amount not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600), for a period of eight (8) years, commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2033, which is estimated to generate approximately \$251,400.00 annually, to be used to aid in crime prevention by providing security for district residents and to serve the needs of the residents of the District by funding beautification and other activities and improvements for the overall betterment of the District, except a 1% City collection fee, and if used for additional law enforcement or security personnel and their services, such personnel and services shall be supplemental to and not in lieu of those provided by the New Orleans Police Department, said fee to be in lieu of and replace the \$450 parcel fee authorized to be levied through 2026 pursuant to an election held on April 28, 2018?”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That the Notice of Election attached to Resolution No. R-25-354 as Exhibit A is hereby superseded with the Notice of Election attached hereto as Exhibit B, which shall be published in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Resolution No. R-25-354.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That, subject to the modifications set forth in this instrument, the remaining provisions of Resolution No. R-25-354 are hereby reaffirmed and ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That certified copies of this resolution be delivered to the Law Department, with instructions that copies be provided to the State Bond Commission and the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF, AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

EXHIBIT A
CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION NO. R-25-412

RESOLUTION
(AS CORRECTED)

NO. R-25-354

CITY HALL: June 26, 2025

BY: COUNCILMEMBER GIARRUSSO

SECONDED BY: COUNCILMEMBER GREEN

A **RESOLUTION** calling an election in the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District for November 15, 2025.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana adopted Act 230 during the 2004 Regular Legislative Session, enacting R.S. 33.9091.7; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana adopted Acts 538 and 582 during the 2010 Regular Legislative Session, amending and redesignating R.S. 33:9091.7 as R.S. 33:9091.8; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana adopted Act 69 during the 2025 Regular Legislative Session, increasing the maximum parcel fee; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 33:9091.8 created the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District ("District"), and authorized the City Council of New Orleans to impose and collect a parcel fee, after same was approved by a vote of the people of the District, upon each parcel located within the District, which is comprised of that area of the City of New Orleans within the following boundaries: beginning at a point on the centerline of Academy Road where Academy Road meets the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery to a point on the east side of Lot 24, Square A Lakewood subdivision, thence in a southerly direction along the eastern boundary of Lakewood subdivision to the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way to the Orleans/Jefferson parish line, thence in a northerly direction along said Orleans/Jefferson parish line to the

south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard, thence in an easterly direction along the south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard to the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive, thence in a southerly direction along the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive as projected to the centerline of Academy Road, thence in a southeasterly direction along the centerline of Academy Road to the point of beginning; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 33:9091.8 mandated that the fee imposed and collected shall be a flat fee not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600) per year for each parcel located within the District; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 33:9091.8 mandates that the fee may be imposed for a term not to exceed eight (8) years and may be imposed or renewed as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 33:9091.8 mandates that the imposition or renewal of such fee shall only occur after the question of the imposition has been submitted to and approved by a majority of the registered voters of the District voting on the question; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District met on June 19, 2025, and adopted a resolution, Resolution 2025-02, requesting the City Council of New Orleans to impose and collect a fee not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600) per year for each parcel located within the District, annually for eight (8) years, subject to the question of the imposition of such fee being approved by a majority of the registered voters of the District voting on the question at the November 15, 2025 election for the City of New Orleans; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission and under the authority conferred by R.S. 33:9091.8, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, the applicable provisions of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, an election is hereby called, in accordance with Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, for November 15, 2025 between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m. and at said election the electorate of the

Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District may approve or disapprove the renewal of the fee not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600) per year for each parcel located within the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District, for a term of and not exceeding eight (8) years, commencing on January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2033. The fee is estimated to generate approximately \$251,400.00 per year. Any fee levied upon a parcel in the District shall be in addition to any ad valorem tax affecting real property, or any charge, (including, but not limited to, a sanitation charge), fee, license, permit, or rate imposed or levied pursuant to the regulatory authority of the City of New Orleans in the operation of the city, its departments, agencies, boards and commissions, whether attached or unattached, including, but not limited to, the Sewerage & Water Board. The proceeds of any fee collected shall be used to aid in crime prevention by providing security for district residents and to serve the needs of the residents of the district by funding beautification and other activities and improvements for the overall betterment of the district. The affairs of the District shall be managed by the Board of Commissioners of the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement ("Board"). The Board shall adopt an annual budget in accordance with the Local Government Budget Act, R.S. 39:1301, et seq. The members of the Board shall serve without compensation.

The official ballot to be used for said election shall be printed and worded in the voting machines as follows:

LAKEWOOD CRIME PREVENTION AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT PROPOSITION

Shall the City of New Orleans levy an annual fee on each parcel within the Lakewood Crime Prevention District ("District"), as delineated in La. R.S. 33:9091.8(C), in an amount not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600), for a period of eight (8) years, commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2033, which is estimated to generate approximately \$251,400.00 annually, to be used to aid in crime prevention by providing security for district residents and to serve the needs of the residents of the District by funding beautification and other activities and improvements for the overall betterment of the District, except a 1% City collection fee, and if used for additional law enforcement or security personnel and their services, such

personnel and services shall be supplemental to and not in lieu of those provided by the New Orleans Police Department?

SECTION 2. District Boundaries. That area of the City of New Orleans within the following boundaries: beginning at a point on the centerline of Academy Road where Academy Road meets the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery to a point on the east side of Lot 24, Square A Lakewood subdivision, thence in a southerly direction along the eastern boundary of Lakewood subdivision to the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way to the Orleans/Jefferson parish line, thence in a northerly direction along said Orleans/Jefferson parish line to the south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard, thence in an easterly direction along the south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard to the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive, thence in a southerly direction along the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive as projected to the centerline of Academy Road, thence in a southeasterly direction along the centerline of Academy Road to the point of beginning.

SECTION 3. Publication of Notice of Election. Notice of said election shall be published in the official journal of the City of New Orleans once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, with the first publication being not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for the election, which notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference as if the same were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 4. Canvass. The Council, acting under the powers granted to it by the City Charter and state statutes, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chamber, City Hall, 1300 Perdido Street, New Orleans, Louisiana on Thursday, December 18, 2025 beginning at ten o'clock (10:00) a.m. and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of said election.

SECTION 5. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid notice of election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the commissioners-in-charge and commissioners will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 6. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as commissioners-in-charge and commissioners pursuant to Section 5 hereof, or such substitutes therefor, as may be selected and designated in accordance with R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election to the City Council. All registered voters in the District are entitled to vote at said election and voting machines shall be used thereat.

SECTION 7. Authorization of Officers. The Clerk of Criminal District Court is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the President and/or Clerk of the City Council and the City Attorney are authorized, empowered, and directed to take any and all further action required by state and/or federal law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 8. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and ex-officio parish custodian of voting machines in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, and the Registrar of Voters in and for said parish, as notification of the election herein called, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 9. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid election as herein provided, and in the event

said election results in approval of the proposition, for further consent and authority to levy and collect the special fee provided for therein, and a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of the City Council requesting prompt consideration and approval of the application.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF, AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Giarrusso, Green, Harris, Moreno, Morrell, Thomas - 6

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: King - 1

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

THE FOREGOING IS CERTIFIED
TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY



ASSISTANT CLERK OF COUNCIL

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EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of Resolution R-25-354 adopted by the City Council of New Orleans on June 26, 2025, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election will be held in New Orleans on November 15, 2025 and at the election there will be submitted to all registered voters (who are qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution and Laws of the United States) residing in the Lakewood Crime Prevention District ("District"), which is comprised of the area of the City of New Orleans located within the following boundaries: beginning at a point on the centerline of Academy Road where Academy Road meets the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery to a point on the east side of Lot 24, Square A Lakewood subdivision, thence in a southerly direction along the eastern boundary of Lakewood subdivision to the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way to the Orleans/Jefferson parish line, thence in a northerly direction along said Orleans/Jefferson parish line to the south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard, thence in an easterly direction along the south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard to the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive, thence in a southerly direction along the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive as projected to the centerline of Academy Road, thence in a southeasterly direction along the centerline of Academy Road to the point of beginning, to wit:

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Said election shall be held at the polling places located within the precincts delineated hereinbelow. The polls in such precincts will open at seven o'clock in the morning (7:00 a.m.) and close at eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 p.m.), in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 18:541. Registered voters in each of the following precincts who are residents of the District shall be eligible to vote on said proposition:

POLLING PLACES

<u>WARD</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
17	18, 18A (partial)	Lakeview Christian Center 5885 Fleur De Lis Drive

The estimated cost of this election, as determined by the Louisiana Secretary of State, based upon the provisions of Title 18, Chapter 8A of the Louisiana Revised Statutes and the actual costs of similar elections is \$7,400.

The Council, acting under the powers granted to it by the City Charter and state statutes, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chamber, City Hall, 1300 Perdido Street, New Orleans, Louisiana on Thursday, December 18, 2025, beginning at ten o'clock (10:00 a.m.) and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of said election.

EXHIBIT B
NOTICE OF ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of Resolution R-25-354 adopted by the City Council of New Orleans on June 26, 2025, and as further amended by Resolution R-25-474 adopted on September 11, 2025, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election will be held in New Orleans on November 15, 2025 and at the election there will be submitted to all registered voters (who are qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution and Laws of the United States) residing in the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District (“District”), which is comprised of the area of the City of New Orleans located within the following boundaries: beginning at a point on the centerline of Academy Road where Academy Road meets the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of Lake Lawn Cemetery to a point on the east side of Lot 24, Square A Lakewood subdivision, thence in a southerly direction along the eastern boundary of Lakewood subdivision to the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way, thence in a westerly direction along the northern boundary of the Southern Railway right-of-way to the Orleans/Jefferson parish line, thence in a northerly direction along said Orleans/Jefferson parish line to the south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard, thence in an easterly direction along the south right-of-way line of Veterans Memorial Boulevard to the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive, thence in a southerly direction along the centerline of the neutral ground of Fleur de Lis Drive as projected to the centerline of Academy Road, thence in a southeasterly direction along the centerline of Academy Road to the point of beginning, to wit:

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