

MINUTES
WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
GOVERNMENT BUILDING
880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen
Thursday, June 25, 2026
5:30 PM

The Following Minutes Are Summarized For Brevity, For Precise Meeting Information Please Refer To Meeting Audio Or Video.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER & REQUEST ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES BE SILENCED

A Regular Meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish Council was held on Thursday, June 25, 2026 and called to order at 05:29 PM. Council Chairman Carey Denstel asked that all electronic devices be placed on silent.

2. OPENING PRAYER

Councilman Atley Walker Jr. led everyone in an opening prayer.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Denstel recognized Parish President Jason Manola who led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. LOG ATTENDANCE

The following members were recorded as being present: Messrs. Kirk Allain, Daryl "Turf" Babin, Atley Walker, Brady Hotard, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Katherine Andre, Gary Joseph.

Also present were, Mr. Jason Manola, Parish President, Mr. Phillip Bourgoyne, Executive Assistant, Mr. Chance Stephens, Director of Finance, Mr. Brandon Bourgoyne, Director of Public Works, Ms. Kristen Canezaro, Special Legal Counsel and Mrs. Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

5. MINUTES APPROVAL

A. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting of June 11, 2026.

There were no comments from the Council or the public on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Kirk Allain, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gordon to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of June 11, 2026.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 9 (Kirk Allain, Daryl "Turf" Babin, Atley Walker, Brady Hotard, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Katherine Andre, Gary Joseph)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 0 (None)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion Passed.

6. CONSIDER ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There were no items to consider at this time.

7. PARISH PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Parish President Jason Manola was recognized and covered the following items: Recent Riverbend exercise;
Upcoming resolutions on tax millages.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS - (15MINUTE TIME ALLOTMENT)

Ms. Brogan Benoit was recognized and asked for an explanation on how the tax millages work, expressed her opinion on raising any taxes, and thanked Chairman Denstel for taking the time to explain how millages work.

9. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS AND/OR ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Mr. Chance Stephens was recognized and gave the most recent budget to actual numbers for the Parish.

Mr. Brandon Bourgoyne was recognized and briefly updated the Council on the Intracoastal Project meeting next week, the recent Emily Drive project meeting, and the latest on the Addis Lane signal installation.

10. PUBLIC HEARING ON PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED ORDINANCES

- A. **An Ordinance To Amend And Reenact The West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III (“Unified Development Code”), Enacting Chapter 107 (“Building Regulations”), Article I (In General), Section 107-10 “(Pipelines and Similar Facilities)”, and Amending Chapter 111 “(Administration and Enforcement)”, Article VII “(Site Plan Approval Procedure)”, Section 111-136 “(General)” To Establish Pipeline Approval Procedures and Update Site-Work Requirements.**

The Chairman opened a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comment regarding the aforementioned item.

Mr. Brandon Bourgoyne was recognized and explained what the purpose of the aforementioned ordinance is, noting the offices that have been contacted in reference to this ordinance, and asked the Council to consider an amendment on the floor of "deleting lines 47–50, adding lines 52–59, deleting lines 70-73, and adding lines 216 & 217." He noted these changes were needed, in his opinion, after speaking with the State and Pipeline representatives. Mrs. Rory Denicola, representing ExxonMobil, was recognized and clarified a few things in the ordinance. Ms. Brogan Benoit was recognized and asked about the notification process.

No written protests opposing the ordinance were received. The Council Chairman at this point declared the Public Hearing closed.

A motion was made by Council Member Kirk Allain, seconded by Council Member Brady Hotard to approve with amendment/s An Ordinance To Amend And Reenact The West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III (“Unified Development Code”), Enacting Chapter 107 (“Building Regulations”), Article I (In General), Section 107-10 “(Pipelines and Similar Facilities)”, and Amending Chapter 111 “(Administration and Enforcement)”, Article VII “(Site Plan Approval Procedure)”, Section 111-136 “(General)” To Establish Pipeline Approval Procedures and Update Site-Work Requirements, with amendments as noted above.

The vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: 9 (Kirk Allain, Daryl "Turf" Babin, Atley Walker, Brady Hotard, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Katherine Andre, Gary Joseph)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 0 (None)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

As a result of the votes, the motion Passed.

Ordinance 19 of 2026 can be found at the end of these minutes.

11. CONSIDER STATUS REPORT, CHANGE ORDER AND/OR OTHER MATTERS AS REQUIRED ON CURRENT PROJECTS

There were no items to consider at this time.

12. RESOLUTIONS- PUBLIC HEARING

- A. **Resolution Adopting The Adjusted Millage Rate After Reassessment For General Alimony and Library For All Property Subjected To Taxation In West Baton Rouge Parish For 2026 Tax Year.**

Mr. Chance Stephens was recognized and explained the spreadsheet which was presented in the meeting with regard to current rates, state set rates and recommended rates for 2026. Mr. Stephens explained how the millage setting, rollback and roll forward process works and what it means for the public. Noting that the Council by state law must roll forward for certain reasons. However, this Council in reads past has rolled back millions for the public when possible. Mr. Stephens requested an amendment to the title to delete Library and add E911 Communications District, which is what the actual resolution body states.

Ms. Brogan Benoit was recognized and asked how these rollbacks were possible. Chairman Denstel verified with Mr. Stephens that this process is mandated by the state in order to keep our rates current. However, he noted the Parish will be considering rolling back a total of 6.25 mills, which totals \$5,000,000.00 dollars, a total savings to the public of \$1,008,000.00 dollars for this tax year. Chairman Denstel also pointed out that since 2020 the Parish Council has rolled back a total of \$20,188,600.00 dollars for the people of West Baton Rouge. There were no further comments from the public at this time.

A motion was made by Council Member Daryl "Turf" Babin, seconded by Council Member Alan Crowe to approve Resolution Adopting The Adjusted Millage Rate After Reassessment For General Alimony and 911 Communications District For All Property Subjected To Taxation In West Baton Rouge Parish For 2026 Tax Year.

The vote was recorded as follows:
YEAS: 9 (Kirk Allain, Daryl "Turf" Babin, Atley Walker, Brady Hotard, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Katherine Andre, Gary Joseph)
NAYS: 0 (None)
ABSENT: 0 (None)
ABSTAIN: 0 (None)
As a result of the votes, the motion Passed.
Resolution 15 of 2026 can be found at the end of these minutes.

B. Resolution Adopting The ‘Adjusted’ Millage Rate After Reassessment And Roll Forward To A Rate Not Exceeding The ‘Maximum’ Authorized Rate For General Alimony and Library For All Property Subjected To Taxation In West Baton Rouge Parish For 2026 Tax Year.

There were no comments from the public on this item.
Mr. Stephens again asked for the word Library to be deleted and 911 Communications District to be added per the body of the resolution.

A motion was made by Council Member Kirk Allain, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gordon to approve Resolution Adopting The ‘Adjusted’ Millage Rate After Reassessment And Roll Forward To A Rate Not Exceeding The ‘Maximum’ Authorized Rate For General Alimony and 911 Communications District For All Property Subjected To Taxation In West Baton Rouge Parish For 2026 Tax Year.

The vote was recorded as follows:
YEAS: 9 (Kirk Allain, Daryl "Turf" Babin, Atley Walker, Brady Hotard, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Katherine Andre, Gary Joseph)
NAYS: 0 (None)
ABSENT: 0 (None)
ABSTAIN: 0 (None)
As a result of the votes, the motion Passed.
Resolution 16 of 2026 can be found at the end of these minutes.

**C. Resolution of the WBR Parish Council to Levy the 2026 Tax Year Millages
There were no comments from the public at this time.**

A motion was made by Council Member Daryl "Turf" Babin, seconded by Council Member Gary Joseph to approve Resolution of the WBR Parish Council to Levy the 2026 Tax Year Millages.

The vote was recorded as follows:
YEAS: 9 (Kirk Allain, Daryl "Turf" Babin, Atley Walker, Brady Hotard, Kenneth Gordon, Carey Denstel, Alan Crowe, Katherine Andre, Gary Joseph)
NAYS: 0 (None)
ABSENT: 0 (None)
ABSTAIN: 0 (None)
As a result of the votes, the motion Passed.
Resolution 17 of 2026 can be found at the end of these minutes.

13. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Mrs. Tullier, Council Clerk read by title the below proposed ordinance/s being introduced and publicized by title, and considered for adoption following a public hearing as specified below, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers, located at 880 North Alexander Avenue, Port Allen, La.:

- A. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 104 Zoning To Incorporate Amended Zoning Designation Map (Zoning Plan) Under Section 104-3 Establishment Of Districts, Official Zoning Map, and Section 111-78 (Special, Conditional Use Requirements And Procedures) For Request of Michael Kauffman with MBK Land LLC. Regarding Property located at 838 Hwy 190 West, Port Allen LA 70767. File #2025-25: Described by the WBR Assessor as: TRACT E-7 & W P/O TRACT E-8 CONT 4.59 AC BELAIR INDUSTRIAL PARK. Requesting a Rezoning from I-1 to I-2 with a Special Use Permit for Commercial Seasonal Fireworks. Public Hearing Date: July 23, 2026

14. **CONSIDER SUBDIVISION PLATS, CONDEMNATIONS, WAIVERS AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

There were no items to consider at this time.

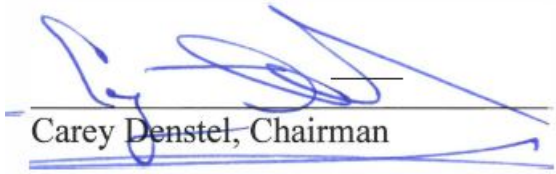
15. **CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

Correspondence Report from Council Clerk, Mrs. Michelle Tullier included the following items:

- Next Planning & Zoning Meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2026 at 5:30PM;
- Next Council Meeting Thursday, July 9, 2026 at 5:30pm.

16. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Kirk Allain and was adopted by acclamation at 06:20 PM.



Carey Denstel, Chairman



Michelle Z. Tullier, Council Clerk

ORDINANCE 19 OF 2026

As Introduced by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council
At The Regular Meeting of June 11, 2026
And Adopted on June 25, 2026

An Ordinance To Amend And Reenact The West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III (“Unified Development Code”), Enacting Chapter 107 (“Building Regulations”), Article I (In General), Section 107-10 “(Pipelines and Similar Facilities)”, and Amending Chapter 111 “(Administration and Enforcement)”, Article VII “(Site Plan Approval Procedure)”, Section 111-136 “(General)” To Establish Pipeline Approval Procedures and Update Site-Work Requirements.

WHEREAS Part III (“Unified Development Code”) of the West Baton Rouge Parish Code of Ordinances provides for the health, safety and welfare of property owners in West Baton Rouge Parish including, but not limited to, providing for building codes that govern the construction of buildings; **AND**

WHEREAS Chapter 107 (“Building Regulations”) of the same Part provides for the adoption of policy, and procedure to establish minimum requirements for a reasonable level of safety, health and general welfare of the public; **AND**

WHEREAS the Parish seeks to remain current with state requirements, and establish procedures for permitting, inspecting and enforcement of these policies and procedures. **THEREFORE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THIS COUNCIL, that the West Baton Rouge Parish Code Of Ordinances, Part III (“Unified Development Code”), Enacting Chapter 107 (“Building Regulations”), Article I (In General), Section 107-10 “(Pipelines and Similar Facilities)”, and Amending Chapter 111 “(Administration and Enforcement)”, Article VII “(Site Plan Approval Procedure)”, Section 111-136 “(General)” be amended and readopted to read as follows:

(NOTE: underlined words are additions and ~~strikethrough words~~ are deletions. Three asterisks - * * * - indicate sections of the code skipped for brevity of this ordinance. Such sections are to be retained by the code editors.):

PART III – UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE

CHAPTER 107- BUILDING REGULATIONS

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 107-10 - PIPELINES AND SIMILAR FACILITIES

(a) Permit required.

No person, firm, partnership or corporation, public or private, shall construct or cause to be constructed a facility consisting of a pipeline or main of any kind, including, but not limited to, gas, petroleum products, liquids, vapors, water, sewage, drains, cables or any group of segment thereof, on, over, across or through a parish owned road, right-of-way, canal, drainage ditch, levee or any bayou under the jurisdiction of the Parish Council in West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana (hereinafter referred to as "parish") without having previously obtained a permit from the parish in the manner hereinafter provided.

(b) Submission for approval.

The installation and construction of all such pipelines or other similar facilities shall be in accordance with plans approved by the department of public works and the department of public works may require the applicant for such a permit to submit such plans as may be necessary to affect the provisions of this chapter.

(c) Requirements.

1) All pipeline crossings of public roads are to be cased and vented or as approved by the director of public works provided said design meets or exceeds the current Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development standards.

2) If crossings are made by excavation rather than boring, the roads are to be restored to their original condition, and said cuts are to be maintained for a period of thirty-six (36) months.

3) All crossings of drainage canals, streams, ditches, etc., are to be made in such a manner as to permit future enlargement and/or improvement of the drainage facilities.

a. Crossings shall be a minimum of 7' below design grade of all major drainage canals, ditches, waterways, etc.

b. 5' below top of road elevation

c. 3' below roadside ditches design grade

d. 9' below ground surface or 6' below utilities (whichever is more stringent)

4} If the material removed from an excavation is not suitable for backfill, the permittee shall haul it away and provide suitable backfill material. Geotech report must be submitted to director of public works for confirmation.

5} All alterations and/or relocations of the proposed pipeline which may become necessary due to the improvement and/or widening of the public roads and/or drainage canals or public servitudes shall be done entirely at the expense of the permit holder and upon request, even though the above provisions have been met, and each permit issued under this section shall bear a statement to that effect.

6) All materials and equipment for any and all pipeline work shall remain within the previously established pipeline servitude or within the designated work zone and/or staging yard for the project. All work zone(s) and/or staging yard(s) used for a pipeline project must be coordinated and provided to the director of public works prior to permit approval. The installation and construction of all such pipelines or other similar facilities shall be subject to the supervision of the department of public works. A stop work order may be issued for any failure of the permittee to comply with the conditions of his permit or where a danger to the public exists.

7) The department of public works shall estimate the time required for all such installations and permit fees shall be collected at the rate of twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) per day.

8) Before any permit shall be issued under this section, the applicant shall post bond in favor of the parish in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), plus the cost of filling and maintaining excavations as required by this chapter. That cost estimate shall be reviewed and approved by the director of public works prior to the receipt of the bond.

a. The bond shall be written by a surety company authorized to transact business in the state and shall be approved as to form by the parish attorney. The bond hereby required shall be conditioned upon the permittee's compliance with this chapter and to secure and hold the parish harmless against any and all claims, judgments or other costs arising from the excavation and other work covered by the permit, or for which the parish, or any officer or employee thereof, may be made liable by reason of any accident

or injury to persons or property through the fault of the permittee either in not properly guarding the excavation or for any other injuries resulting from the negligence of the permittee, and further conditioned to fill up, restore, and place in good and safe condition, as near as may be to its original condition, and to the satisfaction of the department of public works, all openings and excavations made in public roads, street rights-of-way or public servitudes, including drainage and sewerage facilities and servitudes, and to maintain any road, street or servitude where excavation is made, in as good condition for a period of thirty-six (36) months after the work shall have been completed, usual wear and tear excepted, as it was in before the work started. Any settlement of the surface within the said three (3) year period shall be deemed conclusive evidence of defective backfilling by the permittee. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to require the permittee to maintain any repairs to pavement made by the parish. Recovery on the bond hereby required for any injury or accident shall not exhaust the bond but it shall in its entirety cover any or all future accidents or injuries

during the excavation work for which it is given. If any suit or claim against the parish by reason of the negligence or default of the permittee, and upon the giving of written notice to the permittee of such suit or claim, any final judgment against the parish requiring payment for such damage shall be conclusive upon the permittee and his surety. If at any time during the three (3) year period the permittee shall fail to properly backfill and maintain any excavation, the parish shall, upon giving of ten (10) days' written notice to the permittee and to his surety, shall be entitled to contract for the necessary work and to call upon the permittee and his surety to pay the entire cost thereof.

9) Before any permit shall issue under these sections, the applicant shall also furnish to the department of public works a certificate of insurance evidencing public liability insurance issued by an insurance company qualified to do business in the state which insurance coverage shall afford protection against third persons sustaining injury or damage as a result of the negligent construction, operation and maintenance of the pipe line or other similar facilities by the operator thereof and shall name the parish as an additional insured thereunder for such coverage only, and shall not have less than the following limits of liability: (i) for each accident causing bodily injury three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) for each person injured and five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for each accident; and (ii) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for property damage sustained in any one accident. The policy shall remain in full force and effect so long as any pipe line is maintained and operated pursuant to any permit issued hereunder, and shall provide that the parish shall be given at least ten (10) days' written notice prior to its cancellation. If notice of cancellation is given and another certificate of insurance evidencing the issuance of a policy meeting all terms and conditions hereof is not furnished prior to the end of the ten (10) day period, the permit shall automatically be forfeited and the applicant shall immediately discontinue its operations thereunder. Provided, however, that the reinstatement of the insurance coverage provided herein and the furnishing of a certificate of such insurance coverage to the parish shall entitle applicant to immediate reinstatement of its permit. In addition to the aforesaid insurance requirement, any permit issued under these sections is conditioned on the understanding that the applicant and/or its insurer will fully protect and defend the parish against any cause of action premised solely upon its act of issuing such permit. Nothing herein shall be construed as protecting or insuring the parish as an additional insured under the aforesaid certificate of insurance, against any claims or liabilities which are or may be attributable to injuries or damages arising out of or resulting from any acts (except the sole act of issuing the permit described above), omission, negligence or fault of the parish, its agents, servants, employees or by any other persons acting under its direction.

10) If it is necessary that the pipeline or other similar facility be altered, relocated or removed by reason of any public improvement, the director of public works shall give notice to the owner thereof directing that the pipeline be relocated or removed. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of such a notice, the owner shall commence the removal or relocation of its facilities in accordance with the direction of the director of public works and shall prosecute such work with due diligence. If the owner fails or refuses to commence the work as herein provided, it shall be responsible to the parish for any cost or damage occasioned by the delay in commencing and prosecuting such work. Where pipelines or other similar facilities are located within existing street or other public rights-of-way under servitudes or titles acquired prior to the acquisition or dedication of the street or public rights-of-way and it is necessary that such pipeline or other similar facility be altered, removed or relocated in order to facilitate public improvements, then in such event, the director of public works is authorized to immediately negotiate with the owner for the alteration, relocation or removal of the facility. If an agreement is reached under which

such alteration, removal or relocation is to be carried out, the agreement shall provide, in addition to other terms and conditions contained therein, that the owner shall commence such alteration, relocation, or removal within thirty (30) days after the execution of the agreement and shall prosecute the work with all due diligence. If an agreement cannot be reached with the owner, or if the owner fails or refuses to commence the work required under the agreement within thirty (30) days after its execution, the office of the parish attorney is hereby authorized to take such steps as may be required or necessary in order to acquire the right to construct the public improvement over and across the existing pipeline or other similar facility.

The aforementioned requirements are at the discretion of the Public Works Director for final approval.

CHAPTER 111- ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

ARTICLE VII – SITE PLAN APPROVAL PROCEDURE

Sec. 111-136. – General

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(c) *Applicability.* The site plan review process shall apply to:

- (1) Development within an area zoned planned development.
- (2) All nonresidential development including site work (i.e. changes in ground coverage or soil stabilization methods). Site work does not include the removal of vegetation, trees, stumps, roots, trash, and/or debris from a proposed nonresidential development or site.

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THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council that this ordinance shall become effective pursuant to Section 2-12 (C) of the Home Rule Charter.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council, that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed in their entirety.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE AFTER HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A PUBLIC HEARING WAS CONSIDERED, AND UPON MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KIRK ALLAIN, WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BRADY HOTARD. THE ORDINANCE WAS SUBMITTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

YEAS: 9 (ALLAIN, HOTARD, BABIN, WALKER, DENSTEL, CROWE, GORDON, ANDRE, JOSEPH)

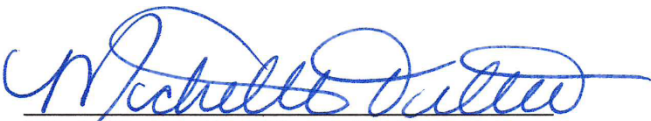
NAYS: 0 (NONE)

ABSENT: 0 (NONE)

ABSTAIN: 0 (NONE)

WHEREUPON the ordinance was declared adopted on the **25TH Day of June, 2026.**

ATTEST:


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

RESOLUTION 15 OF 2026

Resolution Adopting The Adjusted Millage Rate After Reassessment For General Alimony and 911 Communications District For All Property Subjected To Taxation In West Baton Rouge Parish For 2026 Tax Year.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on June 25^h, 2026, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following **adjusted** millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2026, for the purpose of raising revenue:

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
General Alimony (1078004):	3.19 mills
911 Communications District (1078025):	2.72 mills

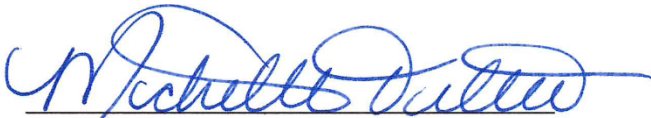
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2026 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The Foregoing Resolution Was Read In Full, And, After Public Discussion, A Motion To Approve Was Made By Council Member Daryl “Turf” Babin, Which Was Seconded By Council Member Brady Hotard.

The Roll Was Called On The Adoption Thereof, And The Resolution Was Adopted By The Following Votes:

- YEAS: 9 (Babin, Hotard, Allain, Walker, Denstel, Crowe, Gordon, Andre, Joseph)
- NAYS: 0 (None)
- ABSENT: 0 (None)
- ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

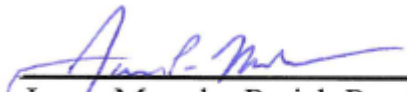
ATTEST:


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the meeting held on June 25^h, 2026, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Port Allen, Louisiana, this 25th day of June, 2026.


Jason Manola, Parish President
The West Baton Rouge Parish Council

RESOLUTION 16 OF 2026

Resolution Adopting The ‘Adjusted’ Millage Rate After Reassessment And Roll Forward To
A Rate Not Exceeding The ‘Maximum’ Authorized Rate For General Alimony and 911
Communications District For All Property Subjected To Taxation In West Baton Rouge
Parish For 2026 Tax Year.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Baton Rouge Parish Council of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on June 25th, 2026, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year’s maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2026, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>2026 Levy</u>
General Alimony (1078004):	3.19 mills	3.52 mills
911 Communication District (1078025):	2.72 mills	3.00 mills

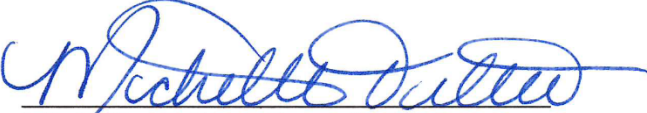
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2026 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The Foregoing Resolution Was Read In Full, And, After Public Discussion, A Motion To Approve Was Made By Council Member Kirk Allain, Which Was Seconded By Council Member Kenneth Gordon .

The Roll Was Called On The Adoption Thereof, And The Resolution Was Adopted By No Less Than Two-Thirds Of The Total Membership Of The Taxing Authority Voting In Favor As Required By Article VII, Section 23 (C) Of The Louisiana Constitution And R.S. 47:1705(B) The Votes Were:

- YEAS: 9 (Allain, Gordon, Babin, Denstel, Walker, Crowe, Hotard, Andre, Joseph)**
- NAYS: 0 (None)**
- ABSENT: 0 (None)**
- ABSTAIN: 0 (None)**

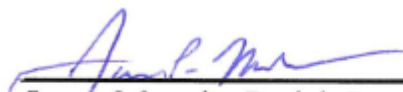
ATTEST:


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the meeting held on June 25th, 2026, at which meeting at least two-thirds of the total membership was present and voting.

Port Allen, Louisiana, this 24th day of June, 25, 2026.



Jason Manola, Parish President
The West Baton Rouge Parish Council

RESOLUTION 17 OF 2026

Resolution of the WBR Parish Council to Levy the 2026 Tax Year Millages

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2026 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by West Baton Rouge Parish:

MILLAGE

Community Center (108005):	2.000 mills
Health Unit (1078006):	1.000 mills
Museum (1078009):	2.000 mills
Council on Aging (1078022):	1.000 mills
Recreational Facilities (1078023):	4.500 mills
Library (1078007):	3.100 mills
Drainage (1078008):	5.700 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of West Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2026, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The Foregoing Resolution Was Read In Full, And, After Public Discussion, A Motion To Approve Was Made By Council Member Daryl “Turf” Babin, Which Was Seconded By Council Member Gary Joseph .

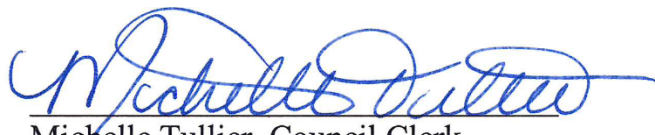
YEAS: 9 (Babin, Joseph, Allain, Walker, Denstel, Crowe, Hotard, Andre, Gordon)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSTAIN: 0 (None)

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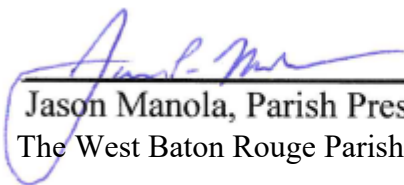
ATTEST:


Michelle Tullier, Council Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the meeting held on June 25th, 2026, at which meeting at least two-thirds of the total membership was present and voting.

Port Allen, Louisiana, this 24th day of June, 25, 2026.



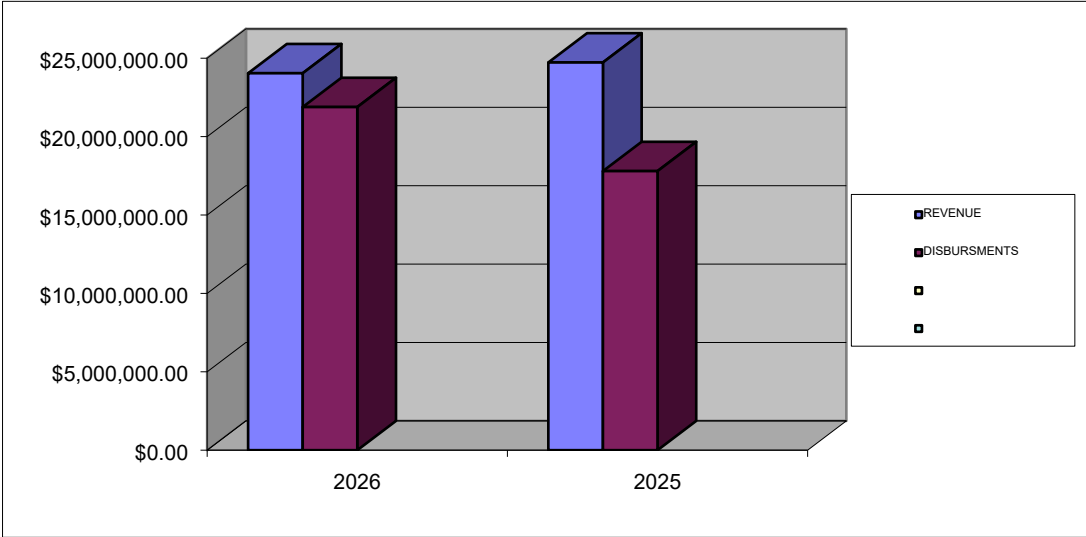
Jason Manola, Parish President
The West Baton Rouge Parish Council

GENERAL FUND COMPARISON				11 OF 26 PAY PERIODS	42%	
ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT YEAR			PRIOR YEAR		
	REVENUE 5/31/2026	BUDGETED REVENUE	% REVENUE COLLECTED	REVENUE 5/31/2025	BUDGETED REVENUE	% REVENUE COLLECTED
AD VALOREM	2,648,416.00	\$2,604,800.00	101.67%	2,426,028.00	\$2,488,200.00	97.50%
SALES TAX(COMBINED)	4,017,520.00	10,248,092.00	39.20%	4,073,328.00	10,262,905.00	39.69%
ALCOHOL TAX	11,555.00	26,000.00	44.44%	11,390.00	26,000.00	43.81%
OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES	952,647.00	1,150,000.00	82.84%	1,042,896.00	1,100,000.00	94.81%
BUILDING PERMITS	14,903.00	150,000.00	9.94%	23,331.00	130,000.00	17.95%
HMPG GRANT	0.00	1,376,375.00	0.00%	0.00	84,398.00	0.00%
WATER ENRICHMENT	0.00	195,000.00	0.00%	0.00	50,000.00	0.00%
STATE REVENUE SHARING	49,952.00	49,000.00	101.94%	31,796.00	49,000.00	64.89%
SEVERENCE TAX- TIMBER	271.00	10,000.00	2.71%	5,504.00	6,000.00	91.73%
CITY COURT COST, FEES	76,441.00	70,000.00	109.20%	71,891.00	40,000.00	179.73%
CIVIL COURT FEES	129.00	15,000.00	0.86%	9,086.00	15,000.00	60.57%
ZONING & SUB FEES	-662.00	10,000.00	-6.62%	2,431.00	10,000.00	24.31%
CONTRACTOR REG.	6,600.00	40,000.00	16.50%	20,300.00	40,000.00	50.75%
SALE OF MAPS	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00%
SALE OF SCRAP	0.00	0.00	0.00%	461.43	0.00	0.00%
MOTOR VEHICLE LIC FEES	13,656.00	32,000.00	42.68%	12,711.00	32,000.00	39.72%
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION	1,221,233.00	3,070,187.00	39.78%	1,453,044.00	2,884,560.00	50.37%
GRASS CUTTINGS	0.00	15,000.00	0.00%	4,741.00	20,000.00	23.71%
ANIMAL CONTROL FEES	180,808.00	250,000.00	72.32%	133,921.00	250,000.00	53.57%
CORONER	0.00	4,800.00	0.00%	0.00	4,800.00	0.00%
KEEP WBR BEAUTIFUL	39,091.00	80,000.00	48.86%	36,935.00	75,000.00	49.25%
INTEREST EARNINGS	489,578.00	1,100,000.00	44.51%	531,327.00	825,000.00	64.40%
RENTAL & FRANCHISE INCOME	54,632.00	131,600.00	41.51%	59,941.00	176,600.00	33.94%
SALES AT AUCTION	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00%
TRANS FROM OTHER FUND	0.00	214,589.00	0.00%	214,589.00	214,589.00	100.00%
MISCELLANEOUS	1,965.00	1,000.00	196.50%	867.00	2,000.00	43.35%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$9,778,735.00	\$20,843,443.00	46.92%	\$10,166,518.43	\$18,786,052.00	54.12%
2026 2025 DIFFERENCE						
REVENUES	\$9,778,735.00	\$10,166,518.43	-\$387,783.43			
HAS A DEC 2024 COLLECTION IN IT CAUSING MAJORITY OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 2026 & 2025						

ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT YEAR			PRIOR YEAR		
	EXPENSES AS 5/31/2026	BUDGETED EXPENSES	% EXPENDED	EXPENSES AS 5/31/2025	BUDGETED EXPENSES	% EXPENDED
OPERATING EXPENSES						
LEGISLATURE	218,166.00	\$540,000.00	40.40%	181,931.00	\$569,499.00	31.95%
JUDGES	140,369.00	353,076.00	39.76%	153,600.00	370,011.00	41.51%
DISTRICT ATTN	14,207.00	35,338.00	40.20%	17,023.00	27,066.00	62.89%
CLERK OF CRT	5,554.00	16,000.00	34.71%	6,950.00	29,500.00	23.56%
CORONER	181,169.00	610,534.00	29.67%	246,095.00	547,647.00	44.94%
CITY/WARD COURT	51,389.00	129,102.00	39.80%	50,190.00	125,555.00	39.97%
REGISTRAR	118,927.00	297,342.00	40.00%	104,099.00	284,726.00	36.56%
ELECTIONS	28,592.00	48,000.00	59.57%	13,709.00	48,000.00	28.56%
GEN. ADM.	884,533.00	1,862,784.00	47.48%	716,449.44	1,923,108.00	37.25%
INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY	247,836.00	690,677.00	35.88%	154,613.00	703,154.00	21.99%
PLANNING/ZONING	287,519.00	722,780.00	39.78%	270,783.00	718,128.00	37.71%
GOV. BUILDINGS	874,964.00	2,431,853.00	35.98%	1,151,119.00	2,351,330.00	48.96%
SHERIFF	2,618.00	37,000.00	7.08%	2,856.00	37,000.00	7.72%
CIVIL DEFENSE	77,436.00	181,839.00	42.58%	78,811.00	183,020.00	43.06%
ENGINEERING	130,527.00	294,317.00	44.35%	140,781.00	287,134.00	49.03%
FLOOD MAPS	101,067.00	117,000.00	86.38%	10,654.00	276,398.00	0.00%
AMBULANCE SERV.	3,000.00	7,200.00	41.67%	3,000.00	7,200.00	41.67%
ANIMAL IMPOUND	315,595.00	647,860.00	48.71%	245,803.00	572,021.00	42.97%
GARBAGE COLL.	1,282,384.00	3,057,187.00	41.95%	1,214,091.00	2,863,140.00	42.40%
MOSQUITO SPRAYING	227,945.00	593,296.00	38.42%	238,511.00	602,344.00	39.60%
PAUPER FUNERAL	2,750.00	10,000.00	27.50%	2,750.00	10,000.00	27.50%
WEED CUTTING & DEMOLITIONS	49,391.00	86,000.00	57.43%	32,350.00	76,000.00	42.57%
LITTER ABATEMENT	41,465.00	154,208.00	26.89%	36,943.00	146,068.00	25.29%
FOOD PANTRY - ERWINVILLE	18,557.00	46,943.00	39.53%	17,832.00	45,133.00	39.51%
FARM AGENT	32,609.00	83,000.00	39.29%	29,812.00	75,000.00	39.75%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$5,338,569.00	\$13,053,336.00	40.90%	\$5,120,755.44	\$12,878,182.00	39.76%
GRANTS TO OUTSIDE AGENCIES						
VETRANS AFFAIRS	2,249.00	4,924.00	45.67%	2,012.00	4,924.00	40.86%
FOOD BANK	0.00	2,500.00	0.00%	0.00	2,500.00	0.00%
UPPER DELTA SOIL CONS.	3,600.00	3,600.00	100.00%	0.00	3,600.00	0.00%
PU GARBAGE SALARY	0.00	9,500.00	0.00%	0.00	9,500.00	0.00%
W.B.R.P. CHAMBER OF COMM.	0.00	75,000.00	0.00%	75,000.00	75,000.00	100.00%
CASA	700.00	1,500.00	46.67%	584.00	1,392.00	41.95%
TOTAL OUTSIDE GRANTS	6,549.00	97,024.00	6.75%	77,596.00	95,524.00	81.23%
OPERATING TRANSFERS	1,048,644.00	2,225,574.00	47.12%	1,039,638.00	2,000,121.00	51.98%
CAPITAL OUTLAY TRANSFERS	813,543.00	21,714,747.00	3.75%	537,236.00	22,927,521.00	2.34%
SINKING FUND TRANSFERS	380,276.00	322,428.00	117.94%	147,540.00	280,278.00	52.64%
VIDEO POKER TRANSFERS	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL G. F. EXPENDITURES	\$7,587,581.00	\$37,413,109.00	20.28%	\$6,922,765.44	\$38,181,626.00	18.13%

	2026	2025
REVENUES	\$9,778,735.00	\$10,166,518.43
EXPENSES	\$7,587,581.00	\$6,922,765.44

	2026	2025
REVENUE	\$24,041,837.00	\$24,728,626.00
DISBURSMENTS	\$21,885,417.00	\$17,800,201.00



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