# RESOLUTION 25-05-01 FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 RENEWAL OF 5 MILL TAX FOR 2026-2034

The following Resolution was signed, certified and attested to by the Fire Chief and/or President/Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 6, also identified as Fire Protection District Six (the "District"), under oath, and declared to be adopted after a Special Meeting was called and held pursuant to all required legal notice, procedural requirements, and Laws of this State, which Resolution provides as follows:

## **RESOLUTION**

A RESOLUTION CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6, IN EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA (THE "DISTRICT"), ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025, FOR RENEWAL OF THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF THE AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX OF FIVE (5) MILLS IN EACH CALENDAR YEAR ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN THE DISTRICT FOR A PERIOD OF NINE (9) YEARS, COMMENCING IN AND INCLUDING THE YEAR 2026 TO AND INCLUDING THE YEAR 2034 (THE "TAX"), WHICH ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF SUCH TAX REASONABLY EXPECTED TO BE COLLECTED FROM SUCH RENEWAL IS APPROXIMATELY \$351,194.50 FOR EACH ENTIRE YEAR OF THE LEVY, WITH THE AVAILS OR PROCEEDS OF SAID TAX TO BE USED ENTIRELY AND EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES OF THE DISTRICT INCLUDING THE COST OF OBTAINING WATER FOR FIRE PROTECTION PURPOSES AND FIRE HYDRANTS WITHIN THE DISTRICT; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA STATE BOND COMMISSION: AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the District (the "Board of Commissioners"), acting as its governing authority, and pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes 40:1501, et seq., after providing all required legal notice and receiving all approvals for placement of this matter on the ballot, desires to order and call a special election to be held in Fire Protection District No. 6 (the "District") on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of the ad valorem property tax of five (5) mills in each calendar year on all property subject to taxation in the District for a period of nine (9) years commencing in and including the year 2026 to and including the year 2034 (the "Tax"), which estimated amount of such Tax reasonably expected to be collected from such levy renewal is approximately \$35 1,194.50 for each entire year of the levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners, acting as the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. 6:

SECTION 1. That, subject to the approval of the East Baton Rouge Parish Metropolitan Council, the State Bond Commission, and pursuant to the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 19 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 (the "Constitution"), and the applicable provisions of Chapter 6 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, as amended, Chapter 7 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, Act No. 192 of the 1997 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, and other constitutional and the statutory authority

amending and supplemental thereto, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in Fire Protection District No. 6, in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF SEVEN (7:00) O'CLOCK A.M. and EIGHT (8:00) O'CLOCK P.M., in compliance with the provisions of Section 54 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (La. R.S. 18:54), as amended and supplemented, and that at said election there be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the United States Constitution, the following proposition:

### **PROPOSITION**

Shall Fire Protection District No. 6, also known as Fire Protection District Six, in East Baton Rouge Parish (the "District"), pursuant to Louisiana law and the Constitution, be authorized to renew and continue the levy and collection of the *ad valorem* property tax of five (5) mills in each calendar year on all property subject to taxation in the District for a period of nine (9) years, commencing in and including the year 2026 to and including the year 2034 (the "Tax"), which estimated amount of such Tax reasonably expected to be collected from such Tax renewal is approximately \$351,194.50 for each entire year of the levy, and shall the avails or proceeds of said Tax be used entirely and exclusively for the development, operation and maintenance of the fire protection facilities of the District including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes and fire hydrants within the District?

SECTION 2. That, conditioned upon the passage of the Proposition at the NOVEMBER 15, 2025, special election authorized pursuant to this Resolution, all avails or proceeds of the renewed *ad valorem* tax of five (5) mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation of property subject to taxation within the boundaries of Fire Protection District No. 6, for a period of nine (9) years, beginning with and including the tax collection for the year 2026, and annually thereafter to and including the year 2034 (the "Tax"), which estimated amount of such Tax reasonably expected to be collected is approximately \$351,194.50 for each entire year of the levy, shall be used for the development, operation and maintenance of the fire protection facilities of the District including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes and fire hydrants within the District.

SECTION 3. That, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285, there shall be published in *The Advocate*, a daily newspaper of general circulation within the District, being the official journal of the District, once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for the election, notice of said election, which notice shall be substantially in accordance with the Notice of Special Election annexed hereto as **Exhibit A** and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 4. That the Board of Commissioners of the District, acting as its governing board, under authority vested by the Louisiana Constitution, Revised Statutes, and the Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Fire Protection District No. 6 station and headquarters, 7878 Prescott Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70812, on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025, at FIVE (5:00) O'CLOCK P.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 5. That the polling places set forth in the Notice of Special Election, situated within the limits of Fire Protection District No. 6, in East Baton Rouge Parish, be and are hereby designated as the polling places at which the said election shall be held in accordance with Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Section 1286 (La. R.S. 18:1286) or Section 1286.1 (La. R.S. 1286.1) as the case may be, and as amended, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be those persons designated according to such statutes.

SECTION 6. That the officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, pursuant to Section 5 thereof and in accordance with Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, Section 1286 (La. R.S. 18:1286) or Section 1286.1 (La. R.S. 1286.1) as the case may be, and as amended, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in compliance with Title 18, Section 1287 (La. R.S. 18:1287) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, shall hold the special election as herein provided and make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Board of Commissioners to be held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, to canvass the election returns, and that the compensation of said officers, if any, be and is hereby fixed as the sum prescribed by law. All registered voters in the District are entitled to vote at the special election and voting machines shall be used at the polling places.

SECTION 7. That the President and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and/or Fire Chief be and are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to request and arrange for furnishing to said election officers, in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary information, equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election as required by law.

SECTION 8. That, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285.B.(1), certified copies of this Resolution and Proposition shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), and the Registrar of Voters in and for the Parish, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 9. That application be made, and is hereby formally authorized to be made, to the Louisiana State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and that a certified copy of this Resolution and attached documents and exhibits shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Fire Protection District as part of this application, together with the request for the prompt consideration and approval of the District's application.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Reginald Higgins, Sharon Graves, Richard Fort; Tommie Stout

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Charles May

ABSTAIN: None

## **CERTIFICATE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Resolution and Proposition lawfully adopted at a public meeting and hearing of the Fire Protection District No. 6 Board of Commissioners, the governing authority of the District, held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, after the required and proper legal notice, including notices and publications pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 42:19.1, at which time a quorum was present and voting pursuant to all legal requirements. A public comment period was afforded prior to action being taken on agenda items which required a vote.

THUS DONE, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED, this 20th day of May, 2025.

Colin Dunn, Fire Chief

Fire Protection Dist. No. 6

By:

Reginald Higgins, Chairman

Board of Commissioners Fire Protection Dist. No. 6

SWORN AND CERTIFIED to the undersigned Notary Public in and for the Parish of

East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana.

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Christopher D. Randolph Sa. Bar No. 34962 Davidson Law Firm, LLC 9724 Jefferson Highway

Baton Rouge, LA 70809

## **AFFIDAVIT**

Chief Colin Dunn, after being duly sworn, did depose and certify as follows: I am the duly qualified Fire Chief of Fire Protection District No. 6, East Baton Rouge Parish, State of Louisiana (the "District"), the governing authority of the District. The foregoing are true and correct copies of the Resolution, Proposition, Notice, documents, and minutes of the Board of Commissioners from a public meeting held on May 20, 2025, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the District on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025, providing for renewal of the levy and collection of the *ad valorem* property tax of five (5) mills in each calendar year on all property subject to taxation in the Fire Protection District No. 6 of the Parish of East Baton Rouge for a period of nine (9) years, commencing in the year 2026 and annually thereafter to and including year 2034 (the "Tax"), which estimated amount of such Tax reasonably expected to be collected is approximately \$351,194.50 for each entire year of said Tax, with the avails or proceeds to be used entirely and exclusively for the development, operation, and maintenance of the fire protection facilities of the District including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes and fire hydrants within the District, and making application to the Louisiana state bond commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

I certify that the Resolution and Proposition were legally approved and enacted pursuant to all legal authority and notice requirements, including but not limited to the "Open Meetings Law" (La. R.S. 42:1 et seq.), La. R.S.47:1, La. R.S. 42:19 and 42:19.1. Accordingly, the required legal public notice of the meeting and hearing agenda, date, time, and place were timely and properly published in the Advocate, provided to all required governmental representatives and bodies, posted, announced at a prior public meeting, and posted again at the meeting place, all pursuant to La. R.S. 42:19.1. The May 20, 2025, public meeting called for the ad valorem tax election and adopted the aforementioned Resolution and approved the Proposition. The necessary quorum or simple majority of the Board of Commissioners of this taxing authority was physically present and voting at the public meeting, held on May 20, 2025, at five o'clock (5:00) p.m. at the Fire Protection District No. 6 headquarters located at 7878 Prescott Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70812. Matters not included on the agenda were not discussed without the approval of two-thirds of the members present. A public comment period was afforded prior to action being taken on agenda items which required a vote.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on this 20th day of May, 2025.

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Colin Dunn, Fire Chief

Fire Protection District No. 6

SWORN AND CERTIFIED to the undersigned Notary Public in and for the Parish of

East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana.

Notary Public,

Christopher D. Randolph La Bar No. 34962

# NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted on May 20, 2025, by the Board of Commissioners of FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "District"), after all required and appropriate legal notice and proceedings, acting as the governing authority of said District, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025, and that at the election there will be submitted to all registered voters of the District, qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the United States Constitution, the following proposition, to-wit:

### **PROPOSITION**

Shall Fire Protection District No. 6, also known as Fire Protection District Six, in East Baton Rouge Parish (the "District"), pursuant to Louisiana law and the Constitution, be authorized to renew and continue the levy and collection of the *ad valorem* property tax of five (5) mills in each calendar year on all property subject to taxation in the District for a period of nine (9) years, commencing in and including the year 2026 to and including the year 2034 (the "Tax"), which estimated amount of such Tax reasonably expected to be collected from such Tax renewal is approximately \$351,194.50 for each entire year of the levy, and shall the avails or proceeds of said Tax be used entirely and exclusively for the development, operation and maintenance of the fire protection facilities of the District including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes and fire hydrants within the District?

This special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the district limits of Fire Protection District No. 6, in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, which polls will open at seven o'clock a.m. (7:00 a.m.), and close at eight o'clock p.m. (8:00 p.m.), in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 18:541), as amended, to wit:

Notice pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1285.A(1)(a)(iii): A portion of the monies collected shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

Notice pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1285(A)(1)(a)(v): The estimated cost of the election as determined by the Secretary of State for the Fire Protection District No. 6 Tax special election scheduled for NOVEMBER 15, 2025, is \$13,600.00.

#### WARD AND PRECINCT

#### LOCATION

Ward 1, Precinct 11 (Part)

Cadillac Street Park Rec. Center 6117 Cadillac Street

Ward 1, Precinct 77A (A-K) (Part)	St. Mark United Methodist Church
Ward 1, Precinct 77B (L-Z) (Part)	6217 Glen Oaks Drive
Ward 1, Precinct 84 (Part)	Cadillac Street Park Rec. Center 6117 Cadillac Street
Ward 1, Precinct 91A (Part)	Ryan Elementary School
Ward 1, Precinct 91B (Part)	10337 Elm Grove Garden
Ward 1, Precinct 93 (Part)	Glen Oaks Park Elementary School 5656 Lanier Drive
Ward 2, Precinct 1A (A-K) (Part)	Glen Oaks Park Elementary School
Ward 2, Precinct 1B (L-Z) (Part)	5656 Lanier Drive
Ward 2, Precinct 10A (A-K) (Part)	Foster Road Baptist Church
Ward 2, Precinct 10B (L-Z) (Part)	11333 Foster Road
Ward 2, Precinct 11 (Part)	Sharon Hills Elementary School 6450 Guynell Drive
Ward 2, Precinct 12A (A-K) (Part)	Foster Road Baptist Church
Ward 2, Precinct 12B (L-Z) (Part)	11333 Foster Road
Ward 2, Precinct 16A (A-K) (All)	Glen Oaks High School
Ward 2, Precinct 16B (L-Z) (All)	6650 Cedar Grove Dr.
Ward 2, Precinct 23A (A-K) (All)	Merrydale Elementary School
Ward 2, Precinct 23B (L-Z) (All)	6700 Rio Drive
Ward 2, Precinct 27A (A-K) (All) Ward 2, Precinct 27B (L-Z) (All)	Sharon Hills Elementary School 6450 Guynell Drive
Ward 2, Precinct 30A (A-K) (All)	Forest Heights Elementary School
Ward 2, Precinct 30B (L-Z) (All)	7447 Sumrall Drive
Ward 3, Precinct 8 (Part)	North Sherwood Forest Park Rec. Ctr. 3140 N. Sherwood Forest
Ward 3, Precinct 42 (Part)	North Sherwood Forest Park Rec. Ctr. 3140 N. Sherwood Forest

The polling places set forth above and situated within the District limits of Fire Protection District No. 6 are hereby designated as the polling places in which the special election shall be held, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law pursuant to section 1286(A) or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as

amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefore as may be selected and designated in accordance with Title 18, Section 1287 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (La. R.S. 18:1287), and as amended, shall make due returns thereof to the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 6. NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said Board of Commissioners will meet at its regular meeting place, the Fire Protection District No. 6 station and headquarters, 7878 Prescott Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70812, on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, at FIVE (5:00) O'CLOCK P.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters in Fire Protection District No. 6 in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used at the polling places.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on this 20th day of May, 2025.

By: Colin Dunn, Fire Chief

Fire Protection District No. 6

Reginald Higgins, Chairman

Board of Commissioners Fire Protection District No. 6

SWORN AND CERTIFIED to the undersigned Notary Public in and for the Parish of East

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