NOTICE OF PLAN

ORDINANCE NO. 19-2-9

ST. CHARLES PARISH COMPREHENSIVE PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. CHARLES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a written Comprehensive Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan dated January 2019, St. Charles Parish, 15045 River Road, P. O. Box 302, Hahnville, LA 70057, through its Parish President, Larry Cochran, duly authorized by Ordinance No. 19-2-9 adopted by the St. Charles Parish Council on February 18, 2019 shall serve as a guiding document that will serve as a vehicle for establishing goals and objectives for improved transportation, an inventory of existing conditions that impact pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, an inventory of existing networks across the parish, a compilation of pedestrian and bicycle incident reports and locations, documented efforts of public and stakeholder engagement, recommendations based on criteria and facility types, and suggested strategies for implementation.

The St. Charles Parish Council adopted Ordinance No. 11-6-11 on June 20, 2011, adopting the St. Charles Parish 2030 Comprehensive Land Use Plan which contained a recommendation to promote pedestrian and bicycle mobility throughout the parish. In November 2016, the Regional Planning Commission contracted with a consultant team led by All South Consulting Engineers, LLC to complete the plan. The consultant team created a steering committee that involved public participation, professional collaboration, and additional research to guide the plan development and help to form policy ideas. To obtain public input, the project team held workshops in three areas of the parish and administered a survey to identify the demands of residents and facility users. Industrial company representatives also voiced their security concerns about pathways that could be placed in close proximity to their sites. Additional meetings with parish officials also contributed to the plan. Public, industry, and stakeholder engagement resulted in the emergence of three main goals for improving pedestrian and bicycle networks: improving safety, increasing transportation options, and spurring economic development.

The purpose of the Comprehensive Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan is to improve safety of the existing transportation network for non-motorized users and maximize opportunities for circulation. The plan upon which the above described actions support shall serve as a reference and guide for future improvements to pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure in St. Charles Parish.

The complete St. Charles Parish Comprehensive Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan Document may be reviewed at the Records Office of the St. Charles Parish Council, Parish Courthouse, 15045 River Road, Hahnville, LA.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED, this 28th day of february, 2019, in the presence of the undersigned.

WITNESSES:

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BY: LARRY COCHRAN
PARISH PRESIDENT