

November 14, 2009 Election
Parish of St. Landry

City of Opelousas Proposition
(1% Sales and Use Tax Renewal)

Summary: Authority for the City of Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana to continue to levy a 1% sales and use tax, proceeds of which will be used for such lawful purposes as determined by the governing authority of the City.

Shall the City of Opelousas, State of Louisiana (the "City"), under the provisions of Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and other constitutional and statutory authority, be authorized to continue to levy and collect, and adopt an ordinance providing for such levy and collection, a tax of one per cent (1%) (the "Tax"), upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the City, all as defined in La. R.S. 47:301 to 47:317, inclusive, for a period of fifteen (15) years beginning June 1, 2010, with the revenues derived from said sales and use tax to be deposited in a special fund and dedicated and used for the following purposes, to wit: First, to constructing, acquiring, improving and/or maintaining garbage and waste disposal facilities and waterworks facilities; Second, to constructing, acquiring, improving and/or maintaining Police Department stations and facilities and Fire Department stations and facilities; Third, to constructing, acquiring, improving, extending and/or maintaining sewers and sewerage disposal works and streets, sidewalks and bridges; and purchasing and acquiring the necessary land, equipment and furnishings for any of the aforesaid public works, improvements and facilities, including salaries of employees; and shall the City be further authorized to fund the proceeds of the Tax in Bonds to be issued in series from time to time for any one or more of the aforesaid purposes, to the extent and in the manner permitted by law? It is estimated (as of the date of this proposition) that the amount reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the Tax for the first year will be approximately \$3,995,961.15.