

State of Louisiana



Parish of Grant In the Name and By the Authority of The Police Jury of Grant Parish

Motion by Mr. Brandon DuBois, seconded by Mr. Cephas Bowie, Jr. and carried to adopt the following:

RESOLUTION 13-2023

A RESOLUTION TO BAN THE USE OF VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING DEVICES AND CAMERA-ENABLED DEVICES INSIDE THE COURTHOUSE AND OTHER POLICE JURY OWNED PROPERTIES FOR SECURITY PURPOSES:

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury desires to protect all persons with business in the 35th Judicial District Court, Parish of Grant courthouse, and other Grant Parish Police Jury owned properties to ensure the safe, secure, and orderly conduct of all proceedings and to facilitate the safe, secure, and efficient handling of business; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Parish Police Jury intentionally includes the Grant Parish Police Jury Maintenance Facilities, Transfer Station Facilities, Grant Parish Libraries, and all other jury owned facilities that assist members of the public: and

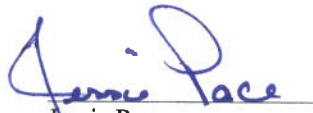
WHEREAS, absent prior written authorization from the governing authority, there shall be no photographing, recording, or broadcasting within the courthouse or other Grant Parish Police Jury owned facilities including but not limited to entrances and exits, lobby areas, hallways, stairs, elevators, and business offices other than authorized employees and officers of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies wearing issued body cameras; and


WHEREAS, this is not intended to restrict the ability to photograph, film, or broadcast from outside the entrances and exits of the included facilities, provided such activity does not obstruct access to or from the facilities, and

WHEREAS, a person may use an electronic device to make an audio or video recording or to take photographs of a public meeting that is subject to the Freedom of Information Act subject to the following: the recording or photographing is done as inconspicuously as possible and the recording or photographing is done in a safe, non-disruptive manner, provided that the group holding a public meeting subject to the Freedom of Information Act may decide before the meeting reasonable rules controlling the recording or photographing of the meeting based on the need for order, safety, and decorum of the public agency and those attending the meeting. Persons using equipment for recording or photographing a public meeting may use the equipment only for those purposes and shall not use it for any other purposes except as permitted by these guidelines.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a violation of this resolution may be the basis for a citation and/or confiscation of recording equipment including but not limited to cell phones, tablets, or other camera-enabled devices that capture images or video.

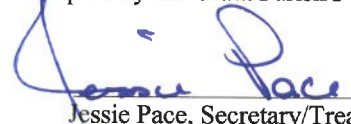
Passed, approved, and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury, State of Louisiana, on this 11th day of May, 2023.


Jessie Pace
Secretary/Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury


Mark Ball
President
Grant Parish Police Jury

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury on May 11th, 2023.


Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer