RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 926 (HB 1007) **2026 Regular Session** **Knox**

New law creates the Faubourg Nouveau Marigny Improvement District as a political subdivision in Orleans Parish for the purpose of promoting and encouraging the beautification and overall betterment of the Faubourg Nouveau Marigny neighborhood.

New law provides that the district is governed by a five-member board of commissioners composed of the president and vice president of the New Marigny Neighborhood Association and three members elected by the residents of the district. Requires that the elected members be residents of the district. Provides that elected members serve two-year staggered terms.

New law provides for the powers and duties of the district, including but not limited to the following:

(1) To enter into contracts and cooperative agreements.

(2) To solicit and accept funds, grants, donations, and appropriations.

(3) To purchase property within the district.

(4) To fund beautification, landscaping, and streetscape projects.

New law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans, subject to voter approval, to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district. Provides that the amount of the fee shall be as follows:

(1) A flat fee not to exceed $100 per year for improved residential parcels.

(2) A flat fee not to exceed $25 per year for improved residential parcels whose owner qualifies for a special assessment.

(3) A flat fee not to exceed $100 per year for improved commercial parcels.

(4) A flat fee not to exceed $500 per year for unimproved commercial and residential parcels.

(5) A flat fee not to exceed $200 per year for improved parcels used for both commercial and residential purposes.

(6) A flat fee not to exceed $100 per year for improved parcels used for both commercial and residential purposes whose owner qualifies for a homestead exemption.

(7) No fee imposed on improved parcels used for both commercial and residential purposes whose owner qualifies for a homestead exemption and a special assessment.

New law provides that the amount of the fee may be changed by duly adopted resolution of the board, not to exceed the maximum amount.

New law provides that the fee shall expire at the end of the term provided for in the proposition authorizing the fee, not to exceed eight years. Authorizes renewal of the fee for a term provided for in the proposition, not to exceed eight years.

New law provides that the fee shall be collected in the same manner and at the same time as ad valorem taxes and that any unpaid fee shall be added to the city's tax rolls and enforced with the same authority and subject to the same penalties and procedures as unpaid ad valorem taxes.

New law requires that the proceeds of the fee be used solely for the purpose and benefit of the district. Authorizes the city to retain 1% of the amount collected as a collection fee.

New law requires the district's board to adopt an annual budget in accordance with existing law (La. Local Government Budget Act) and provides that the district shall be subject to audit by the legislative auditor.

New law provides that it is the purpose and intent of new law that the additional personnel and services provided for through the fees authorized by new law shall be supplemental to, and not in lieu of, personnel and services provided in the district by the city of New Orleans.

New law provides that if the district ceases to exist, all district funds shall be transmitted to the city of New Orleans and used to promote, encourage, and enhance the beautification and overall betterment of the area included in the district.

Effective upon lapse of time for gubernatorial action (June 16, 2026).

(Adds R.S. 33:9084)