

ORDINANCE NO. 6048 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND AND RIVERBOAT FUND TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION OF \$35,000 FOR GAMEPORT EXHIBITION AT SCI-PORT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Sci-Port Discovery Center (the Center) is located on the downtown Shreveport riverfront and offers the Louisiana’s Science and Space Center, Power of Play Children’s Museum and Louisiana’s only IMAX Dome Theatre and the Gallery of Intrigue; and

WHEREAS, the Center has served over 150,000 individuals since it was re-organized in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Center’s success is due to innovative, temporary programming such as Sno-Port 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Center’s GamePort exhibition will be the starting point to identify and bridge the gap in STEM-based services in underrepresented sectors and will provide the “on-ramp” to engage curious participants; and

WHEREAS, the Center’s GamePort exhibition will consist of eight interactive “entertainment” stations and will be offered during the summer; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the 2021 Economic Development Fund and Riverboat budgets to provide an appropriation of \$35,000 to Sci-Port; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Economic Development Fund and the Riverboat Fund for the year 2021 is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>Budget Increase (Decrease)</u>
<u>Economic Development Fund</u>	
NGO Appropriations	
Sci-Port	\$17,500
Fund Balance	(\$17,500)
<u>Riverboat Fund</u>	
NGO Appropriations	
Sci-Port	\$17,500
Fund Balance	(\$17,500)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:

Parish Attorney

Date