AGENDA

ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 6:00 P.M. - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2015 ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT COMPLEX PARISH COUNCIL CHAMBERS 21490 KOOP DRIVE, MANDEVILLE, LOUISIANA

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ROLL CALL

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Phones and Pagers
- Appeals
- Speaker Cards
- Public Speaking Ten (10) minutes each side and five (5) minutes for rebuttal
- Please exit the building

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 13, MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT CALENDAR

Any items not pulled from the consent calendar are automatically dispensed by vote as approved and/or as per staff comments. Items pulled from the consent calendar shall be discussed and voted upon individually.

ENTERING PARISH RIGHTS-OF-WAY, SERVITUDES, EASEMENTS

Entering Parish Right-of-Way (19th Avenue), Ward 3, District 5
Request to enter Parish right-of-way for the purpose of gaining access to property
Debtor: T, J & C Real Estate Holdings, L.L.C. Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Gould

Entering Parish Right-of-Way (Lake Street), Ward 4, District 5
Request to enter Parish right-of-way for the purpose of gaining access to property and existing improvements
Debtor: Nga Tran and Andrew Johnson Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Gould

MINOR SUBDIVISIONS

MS15-01-003

A 1.04 acre parcel into Parcels A & B, Ward 2, District 6 Owner: Larry E. King Surveyor: Edward J. Murphy, P.E. Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Richard Tanner

AGENDA ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION FEBRUARY 10, 2015 MANDEVILLE, LOUISIANA

MS15-01-004

A 10.35 acre parcel into Parcels A, B & C, Ward 1, District 3

Owner: Susan P. Kerr, at el. Surveyor: John E. Bonneau & Associates, Inc.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. James "Red" Thompson

MS15-01-005

A 3.5 acre parcel into Parcels A & B, Ward 1, District 1

Owner: Wayne & Jeanie Morlier Surveyor: LS Land Surveying, L.L.C.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Dean

[-----(End of Consent Calendar)-----

PETITIONS/REQUESTS

ENTERING THE TAMMANY TRACE

REVOCATION/CLOSINGS REVIEW

REV14-12-002

Revocation of a portion of Algiers Street, Slidell, Louisiana, Ward 8, District 12 Applicant: Own Your Own, L.L.C. Surveyor: J.V. Burkes & Associates, Inc. Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Jerry Binder

(POSTPONED AT THE JANUARY 13, 2015 MEETING)

RESUBDIVISION REVIEW

RS15-01-004

Town of Mandeville, Southwest 1/4 of Sq. 237, into lots 1 thru 4, Ward 4, District 7

Petitioner: Marigny Land, L.L.C. Surveyor: John Cummings & Associates, Inc.

Owner: Marigny Land, L.L.C. Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Jacob Groby

RS15-01-005

Red Gap Acres, Block 2, lot 25 into lots 25A & 25B, Ward 4, District 5 Petitioner: Noella Thonn Surveyor: LS Land Surveying, L.L.C.

Owner: Noella Thonn, et al. Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Jacob Groby

DORMANT SUBDIVISION REVIEW

TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION REVIEW

AGENDA ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION FEBRUARY 10, 2015 MANDEVILLE, LOUISIANA

PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION REVIEW

SD12-04-002PIV-B

Northpark, Phase IV-B, Ward 3, District 5

Developer/Owner: Green Gate Northpark, L.L.C. Engineer: Deep South Design Group

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Gould

FINAL SUBDIVISION REVIEW

SD04-08-024FP16

Bedico Creek, Parcel 16, Ward 1, District 1

Developer/Owner: Bedico Creek Preserve, L.L.C. Engineer: Kelly McLin & Associates, Inc.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Dean (POSTPONED AT THE JANUARY 13, 2015 MEETING)

SD12-04-002FIV-B

Northpark, Phase IV-B, Ward 3, District 5

Developer/Owner: Green Gate Northpark, L.L.C. Engineer: Deep South Design Group

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Gould

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE 499

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

An ordinance to amend and reenact Chapter 18, Articles III & IV of the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances, relative to the St. Tammany Parish Planning and Zoning Commission's rules that they operate under.

ADJOURNMENT

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE

ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 6:00 P.M. - TUESDAY JANUARY 13, 2015

ST. TAMMANY PARISH ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Note: Audio and video tapes of this meeting, produced by Parish employees, are considered part of these minutes. Should any action reflected in these written minutes be in conflict with said tapes, the audio/video tapes shall supercede the written minutes.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the St. Tammany Parish Planning Commission was called to order by the Chairman, Dave Mannella.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph,

Doherty

Absent:

Staff Present: Jeremy Harrison, Lauren K. Davis, Mike Sevante, Ron Keller, Jay Watson

INVOCATION

The Invocation was presented by Mr. Randolph.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was presented by Mr. Doherty.

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 9, 2014 MINUTES

Randolph moved to approve, second by Drumm.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

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Abstain:

CONSENT CALENDAR (Performance Obligations & Entering Parish Rights-of-Way)

Any items not pulled from the consent calendar are automatically dispensed by vote as approved and/or as per staff comments. Items pulled from the consent calendar shall be discussed and voted upon individually.

The following items were pulled from the Consent Calendar:

ENTERING PARISH RIGHTS-OF-WAY, SERVITUDES, EASEMENTS

Entering Parish Right-of-Way (Ochsner Boulevard), Ward 1, District 1 Request to enter Parish right-of-way for the purpose of laying fiber optic cable Debtor: Southern Light, L.L.C. Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Dean

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request:

Opposition: none

Richard moved to approve, second by Willie.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:

MINOR SUBDIVISIONS

MS14-11-067

A 4.056 acre parcel into lots JA-1 & JA-2, Ward 9, District 11

Owner: Jessie & Enola Atchley Surveyor: BMF Professional Land Surveyors

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Steve Stefancik (POSTPONED AT THE DECEMBER 9,2014 MEETING)

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request:

Opposition: none

Matthews moved to approve, second by Davis.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:

MS14-12-069

A 5.14 acre parcel into lots 1 thru 4, Ward 4, District 5

Owner: C. Herberger, L.L.C. Surveyor: Kelly McHugh & Associates, Inc.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Gould

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request: Paul Mayronne/Jones Fussell Opposition: none

Cazaubon moved to approve, second by Randolph.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:

MS14-12-070

Tracts A1 & B into Tracts A2, B1 & B2, Ward 7, District 7

Owner: Wesley Dick, et al. Surveyor: John E. Bonneau & Associates, Inc.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Jacob Groby

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request:

Opposition: none

Davis moved to approve, second by Lorren.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:.

------(End of consent calendar)------

PETITIONS/REQUESTS

ENTERING THE TAMMANY TRACE

REVOCATION/CLOSINGS REVIEW

REV14-12-002

Revocation of a portion of Algiers Street, Slidell, Louisiana, Ward 8, District 12 Applicant: Own Your Own, L.L.C. Surveyor: J.V. Burkes & Associates, Inc. Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Jerry Binder

(POSTPONED AT THE DECEMBER 9,2014 MEETING)

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request:

Opposition: none

Doherty made a motion to postpone, second by Matthews.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:.

RESUBDIVISION REVIEW

DORMANT SUBDIVISION REVIEW

TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION REVIEW

PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION REVIEW

FINAL SUBDIVISION REVIEW

SD04-08-024FP16

Bedico Creek, Parcel 16, Ward 1, District 1

Developer/Owner: Bedico Creek Preserve, L.L.C. Engineer: Kelly McHugh & Associates, Inc.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Dean

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request: Paul Mayronne/Jones Fussell Opposition: none

Matthews made a motion to postpone, second by Davis.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:

SD05-08-021F1A-6

Terra Bella, Phase 1A-6, Ward 1, District 1

Developer/Owner: Terra Bella Group, L.L.C. Engineer: Kelly McHugh & Associates, Inc.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Dean

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request: Paul Mayronne/Jones Fussell Opposition: none

Matthews moved to grant final approval, second by Randolph.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:

SD12-08-004F1

Gardenwalk, Phase 1, Ward 3, District 5

Developer/Owner: Citadel Builders Engineer: Kelly McHugh & Associates, Inc.

Parish Council District Representative: Hon. Marty Gould

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request: Paul Mayronne/Jones Fussell Opposition: none

Matthews moved to amend the motion to approve subject to completion of developer's unfinished items, including showing the walking path on G-5. Second by Richard.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:

Matthews moved to grant final approval subject to amended motion, second by Lorren.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Matthews, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Abstain:

DEVELOPMENTAL AGREEMENTS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE 499

OLD BUSINESS

MS13-05-023, Ward 2, District 6

Owner requesting a waiver of regulations relative to the discharge of water

Owner: Linda Fussell Representative: Hon. Richard Tanner

A Public Hearing was opened for discussion of this case and the following individual(s) provided testimony in favor of this request: Darrell Fussell/Arrow Engineering Opposition: none

Randolph made a motion to approve, second by Willie.

Yea: Cazaubon, Lorren, Richard, Willie, Davis, Mannella, Drumm, Randolph, Doherty

Nay: Matthews

Abstain:

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dave Mannella Chairman

(CONSENT CALENDAR) ENTERING PARISH RIGHTS-OF-WAY, SERVITUDES AND/OR EASEMENTS

ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION PLANNING COMMISSION SERIES NO.	
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TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING T, J & C REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, LLC TO ENTER PARISH RIGHT-OF-WAY.

SUB-TITLE: A RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO T, J & C REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, LLC; 995 N. HWY 190; COVINGTON, LA, 70433; TO ENTER PARISH RIGHT-OF-WAY, SPECIFICALLY THE UNOPENED PORTION OF 19TH AVE., ALEXIUSVILLE SUBDIVISION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING ACCESS TO PROPERTY. WARD 3, DISTRICT 5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. Tammany Parish Planning Commission that it hereby grants permission to the aforementioned petitioner to enter Parish right-of-way for the aforementioned purposes, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the improvements that will be undertaken will be at the sole expense of the petitioner.
- 2. That the petitioner agrees to accept full responsibility, financial and all other, for the damage and /or relocation of utilities currently located within Parish right-of-way.
- 3. That the petitioner shall submit plans prepared by a licensed engineer to the Department of Engineering for review and approval. The drainage and road design with soil borings must meet the CONCRETE road standards as established under the "Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance." The Parish's engineer may require additional off-site work to minimize the potential impact of the proposed construction with special emphasis regarding drainage. The plans must include sewerage and water systems, where applicable. Upon approval of plans and specifications by the Director of Engineering, the petitioner must notify the Department of Engineering prior to the commencement of any activity.
- 4. That should the petitioner commence work thereon, petitioner by such act acquiesces and acknowledges thereby that he will hold this Parish, its officials, agents, servants, and employees free and harmless from any liability or responsibility whatsoever in connection with the construction of the project. Petitioner will provide copy of Liability Insurance Policy, including the naming of the Parish as an insured party. The insurance will remain in effect until the Parish takes over the maintenance.
- 5. That nothing herein shall be construed as a revocation of the dedication of the aforementioned right of way.
- 6. That no maintenance nor financial nor material nor assistance shall be provided by the Parish for the project nor the maintenance thereof, except for the inspection of the plans and specifications by the Department of Engineering to insure the construction complies with Parish specifications.

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- 7. That the petitioner post a Performance Letter of Credit in the amount of \$22,800 for a period of six (6) months covering the cost of roadway and drainage construction.
- 8. That the petitioner agree to post a Warranty Obligation upon completion of the project.
- 9. That the petitioner and any assignees submit a Hold Harmless Agreement in connection with the construction of the project and utilization of the access by (an) individual(s) until the time that the access is upgraded to Parish standards and accepted into the Parish's Selective Road Maintenance System.
- 10. That the petitioner and any assignees agrees to provide maintenance for this access at his/her own expense until such time as the Parish agrees to accept this portion of right of way into the Parish's Selective Road Maintenance System.
- 11. That the petitioner agrees to provide the Parish with the necessary drainage and utility servitude along the roadways being constructed.
 - 12. That the petitioner shall submit a copy of the current owner's deed.
- 13. That the petitioner shall produce proof that the right of way is dedicated to the Parish.
- 14. That the petitioner shall produce from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers either: a written statement that the road is not in a wetland area, within the meaning of Section 404 of the Federal "Clean Water Act" or a Section 404 Permit under the Federal "Clean Water Act" authorizing the opening of the portion of the right of way in question.
- 15. That the petitioner shall submit a site plan of Petitioner's property and the unopened right of way.
- 16. Permission is valid for the issuance of building permits according to current zoning only, issued to <u>AS INDICATED ABOVE</u>, <u>WARD 3 DISTRICT 5.</u>
- 17. That the petitioner provide the right of way to be opened meets the current right of way widths as established through the Parish's "Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance". If the petitioner cannot provide the required right of way for two-way access, the petitioner may provide a one-way street if it provides connection to two (2) public roads. The provision allows a one (1) way access as long as the one (1) way access provides an entrance and a different exit to an approved roadway.
- 18. That the petitioner submit as-built drawings certifying that road is constructed within the Parish right of way.
- 19.. That the petitioner submit all documentation required within SIX (6) months from date of adoption, additionally petitioner has two (2) years to complete all work on this project, if not completed within two (2) years, approval of this work will be voided and petitioner will be required to reapply for permission.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEWAS AS FOLLOWS:	EN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOT	E THEREON
MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY	, SECONDED BY	, A VOTE
THEREON RESULTED IN THE FO	OLLOWING:	
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	DAVID G. MANNELLA, CHAIRMAN ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING C	OMMISSION
ATTEST:	ž.	

RON KELLER, SECRETARY

ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION

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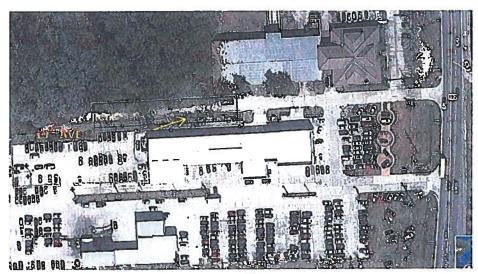
January 13, 2015

Mr. Earl Magner, P.E. St. Tammany Parish Engineering Department P.O. Box 828 Covington, LA 70434

RE: Request to Enter into 19th avenue St. Tammany Parish Right of Way Covington, LA

Dear Mr. Magner:

J.V. Burkes & Associates, Inc. submits this proposal on behalf of the owner, Mr. Eddie Tourelle, to enter into St. Tammany Parish right of way for purposes of installing a drive access into his property.



19th Avenue Location - north of Eddie Tourelle

Respectfully,

Sean M. Burkes

J.V. Burkes & Associates, Inc.

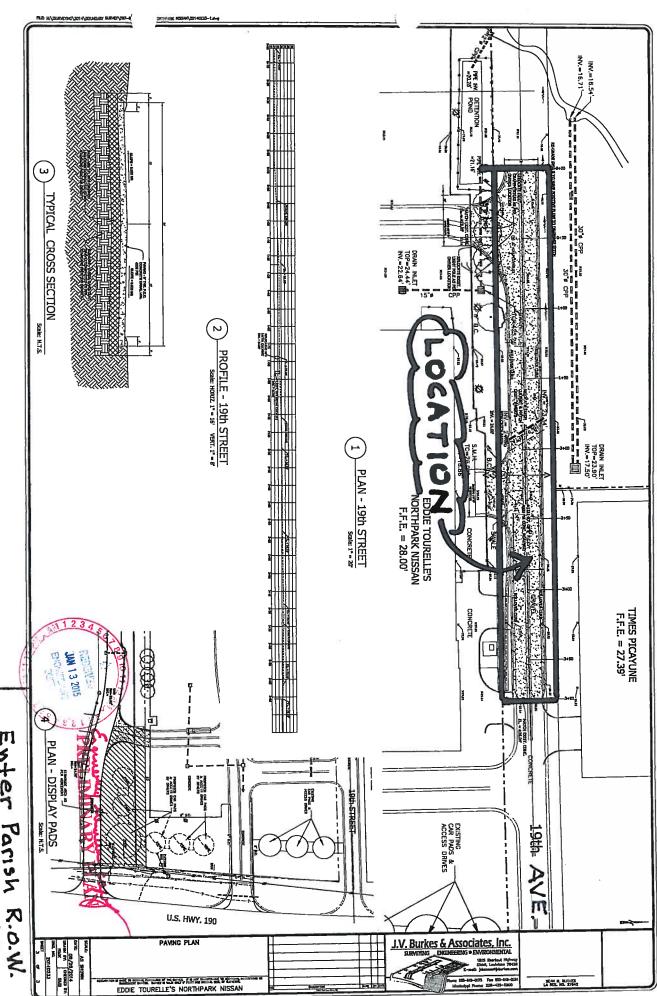
Performance Obligations

380' x 60.00/1= 22,800

19th Ave

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Enter Parish R.O.W. Alexius VIIIe SID 19th Avenue T, J&C Real Estates Holding,LL

ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION PLANNING COMMISSION SERIES NO.

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NGA TRAN WIFE OF/AND ANDREW JOHNSON TO ENTER PARISH RIGHT-OF-WAY.

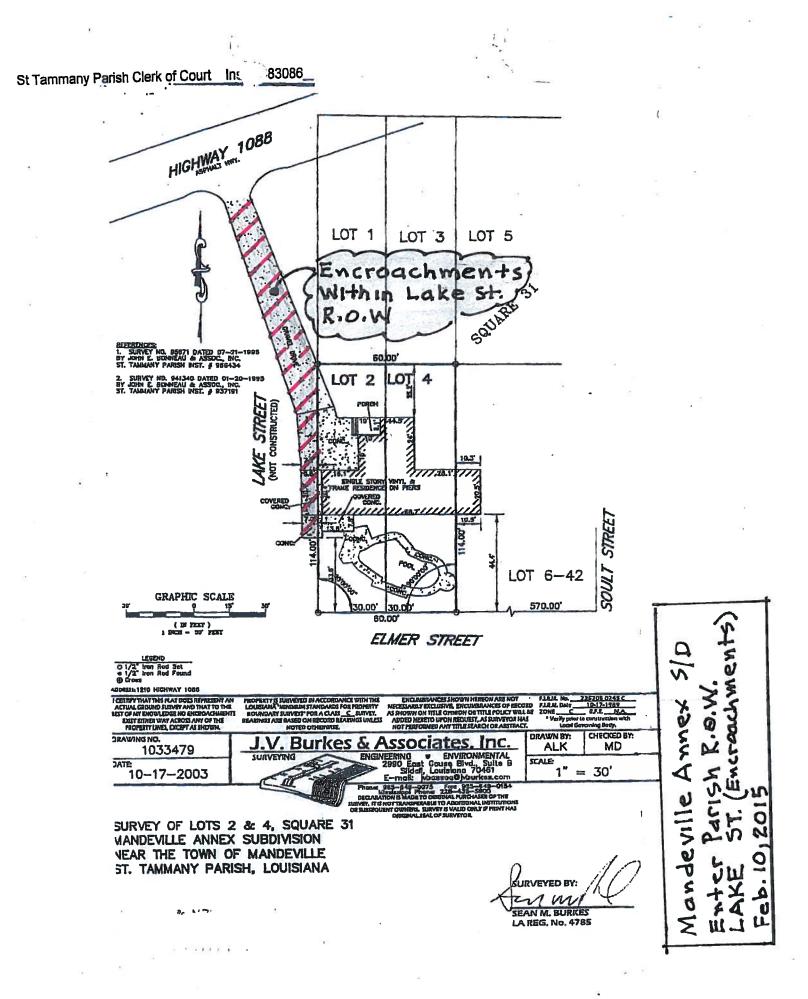
SUB-TITLE: A RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO NGA
TRAN WIFE OF/AND ANDREW JOHNSON; 1036 CREEK
COURT; MANDEVILLE, LA 70448; TO ENTER PARISH
RIGHT-OF-WAY, SPECIFICALLY THE UNOPENED
PORTION OF LAKE STREET, MANDEVILLE ANNEX
SUBDIVISION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING
ACCESS TO PROPERTY AND ALLOWING EXISTING
IMPROVEMENTS TO REMAIN WITHIN THE R.O.W.
WARD 4, DISTRICT 5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the St. Tammany Parish Planning Commission that it hereby grants permission to the aforementioned petitioner to enter Parish right-of-way for the aforementioned purposes, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the existing improvements that are shown on the attached drawing by Sean M. Burkes, P.L.S. dated 10-17-2003 be allowed to remain within the R.O.W.
- 2. That nothing herein shall be construed as a revocation of the dedication of the aforementioned right of way.
- 3. That the petitioner and any assignees submit a Hold Harmless Agreement in connection with the existing encroachments and utilization of the access by (an) individual(s) until the time that the access is upgraded to Parish standards and accepted into the Parish's Selective Road Maintenance System.
- 4. That the petitioner and any assignees agrees to provide maintenance for this access at his/her own expense until such time as the Parish agrees to accept this portion of right of way into the Parish's Selective Road Maintenance System.
- 5. Petitioner acknowledges and accepts full responsibility for the installation and maintenance of drainage, specifically from the sewerage treatment facility on the public right of way he/she seeks permission to use.
 - 6. That the petitioner shall submit a copy of the current owner's deed.
- 7. That the petitioner shall submit a site plan of Petitioner's property and the unopened right of way.
- 8. Permission is valid for the issuance of building permits according to current zoning only, issued to <u>AS INDICATED ABOVE, WARD 4 DISTRICT 5.</u>

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9. upgrading the	That the petitioner must agree to participate in a front foot assessment in g the road to a hard surface standard meeting Parish requirements, in the future.					
10. date of adoption permission.	late of adoption, if not this approval will be voided and petitioner will be required to reapply for					
THIS RESOL	LUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE DLLOWS:	, THE VOTE THEREON				
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YEA:						
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AND THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED DULY ADOPTED ON THE DAY OF, 2015 AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT.						
	DAVE MANELA, CHAIRM ST. TAMMANY PARISH PI	AN ANNING COMMISSION				
ATTEST:						
RON KELLE ST. TAMMA	LER, SECRETARY IANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION					



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August 20, 2014

Mr. Eddie Williams Director of Engineering P.O. Box 628 Covington, LA 70434

Re: My Clients: Nga Tran wife of/and Andrew Johnson Property: 1210 Highway 1088 Mandeville, LA My File # 14157

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the above referenced owners asking that their request for an "after the fact" right-of-way entry unto the parish roadway adjacent to their property be placed on the agenda for the Planning Commission.

I attach herewith a copy of their Deed to the subject property along with a copy of a Survey dated October 17, 2003 by Sean M. Burkes which indicates that a portion of the concrete driveway for their residence encroaches upon a gravel driveway maintained by the Parish apparently for Lake Street.

I would suggest that these encroachments are protected by the two year prescriptive period set forth in La. R.S.9:5627, but we are seeking this right-of-way agreement to avoid any future litigation.

Please advise if you need anything further.

Yours very truly,

IRL R. SILVERSTEIN

IRS/mm

Enclosures: as stated

cc: Nga Tran, via e-mail

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(CONSENT CALENDAR) MINOR SUBDIVISIONS

MINOR SUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT (As of February 3, 2015)

CASE NO.: MS15-01-003

OWNER/DEVELOPER:

Larry E. King

ENGINEER/SURVEYOR:

Edward J. Murphy, P.E.

SECTION:

20 & 21

WARD: 2

TOWNSHIP:

5 South

PARISH COUNCIL DISTRICT: 6

RANGE:

11 East

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:

N/A SUBURBAN (Residential lots between 1-5 acres)

RURAL (Low density residential lots 5 acres or more)

OTHER (PUD, Multi-family, commercial or industrial)

GENERAL LOCATION:

The property is located on the east side of LA Highway 40 and south of

Dawsey Road, north of Covington, Louisiana.

SURROUNDING LAND USES:

North - rural residential

South - rural residential East - rural residential West - rural residential

TOTAL ACRES IN DEVELOPMENT:

1.03

NUMBER OF LOTS/PARCELS:

TYPICAL LOT SIZE: 0.65 acres

2

ZONING:

A-3 Suburban

REASONS FOR PUBLIC HEARING: Both proposed parcels do not meet the minimum one (1) acre lot

size requirement.

STAFF COMMENTARY:

Department of Development - Planning

The owner is proposing to create two parcels from a 1.03 acre tract. Parish code requires that each lot created must by at least one (1) acre in size, while both proposed lots will be only 0.65 acres each.

However, due to the existing circumstances where there are already two existing homes on the 1.03 acre parcel, and the owner simply wants to separate the two houses for resale purposes; and the fact that the property is currently zoned A-3 Suburban which would permit the current resubdivision proposal if not for the minor subdivision's one acre per lot minimum standard, the staff has no objections to the proposed minor subdivision request.

However, since a waiver of the regulations are required in order to approve this minor subdivision

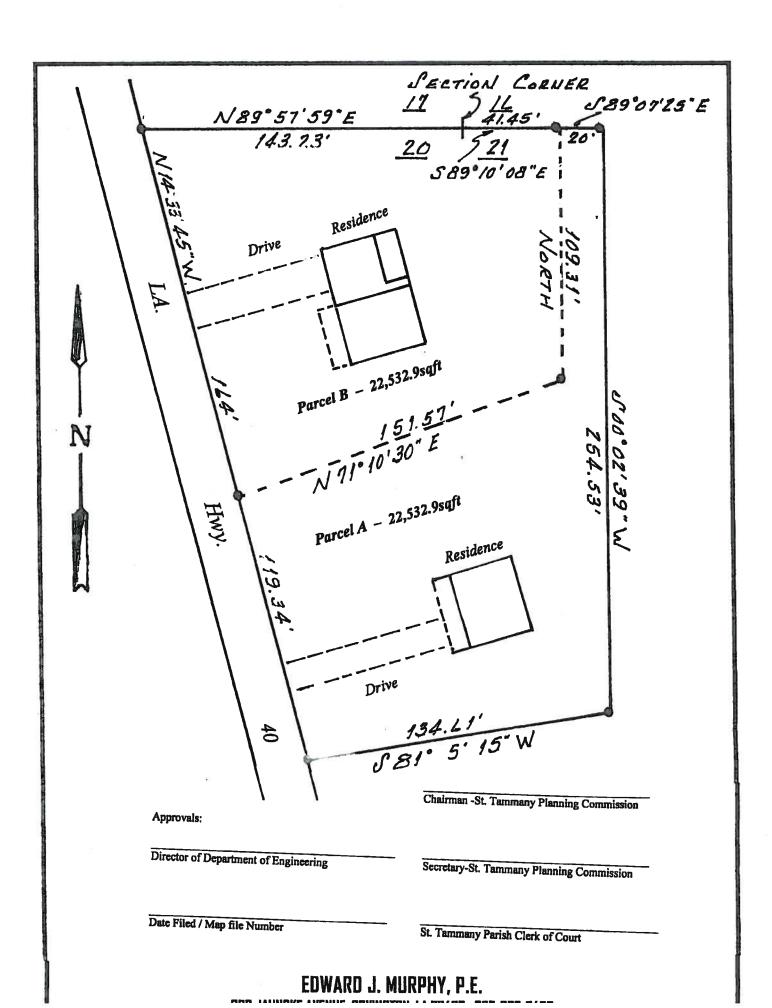
request relative to the lot size issue, a 2/3rds majority vote of the full membership of the commission (8 members) is needed to approve pursuant to Section 40-100.0 <u>Waiver of Regulations</u>, of Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499.

Department of Engineering

None

Department of Environmental Services

None



MINOR SUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT (As of February 3, 2015)

CASE NO.: MS15-01-004

OWNER/DEVELOPER: Susan P. Kerr, et al.

ENGINEER/SURVEYOR: Kelly McHugh & Associates, Inc.

SECTION: 33 WARD: 1

TOWNSHIP: 6 South PARISH COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3

RANGE: 10 East

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: x SUBURBAN (Residential lots between 1-5 acres)

___ RURAL (Low density residential lots 5 acres or more)
OTHER (PUD, Multi-family, commercial or industrial)

GENERAL LOCATION: The property is located on the west side of Bunny Lane and south of

Joiner-Wymer Road, west of Covington, Louisiana.

SURROUNDING LAND USES: North - rural residential

South - rural residential East - rural residential West - rural residential

TOTAL ACRES IN DEVELOPMENT: 10.35

NUMBER OF LOTS/PARCELS: 3 TYPICAL LOT SIZE: Varies

ZONING: A-2 Suburban

REASONS FOR PUBLIC HEARING: One parcels is being accessed by a private drive.

STAFF COMMENTARY:

Department of Development - Planning

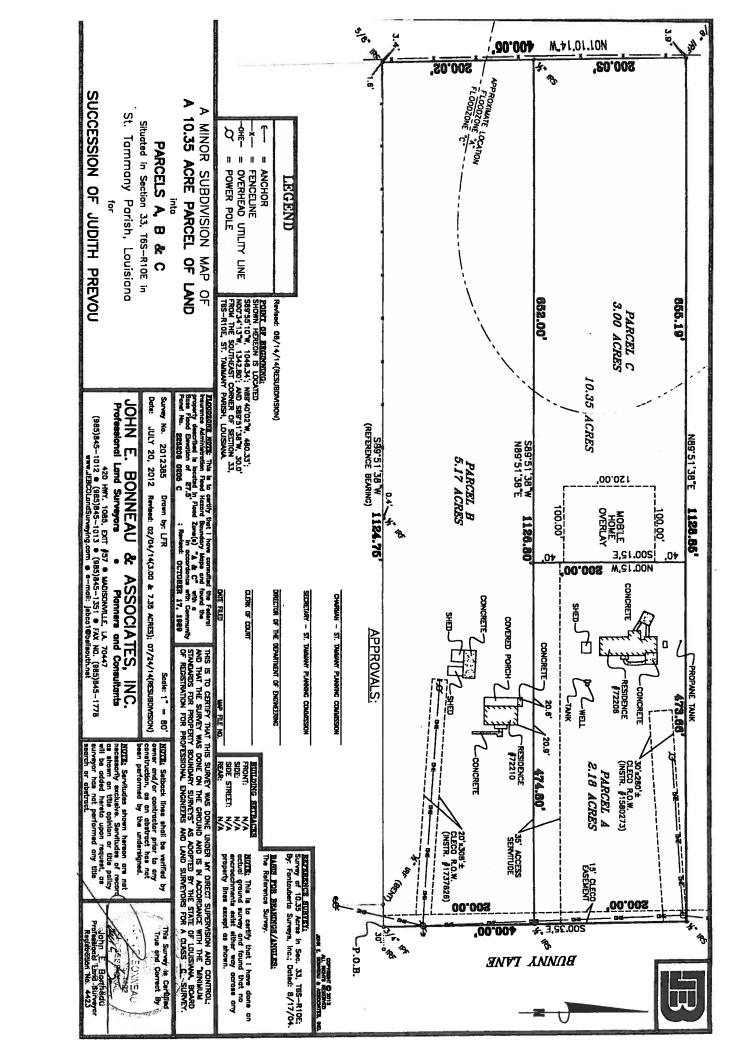
The owner is proposing to create three (3) parcels from one parent parcel; and since the private drive will only provide access to one (1) lot/parcel within the minor subdivision, said drive is not required to be built to a parish standard pursuant to Section 40-045.01 Minimum Standards for a Private Drive, of Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499. Therefore, the staff has no objections to the proposed minor subdivision request.

Department of Engineering

None

Department of Environmental Services

None



MINOR SUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT (As of February 3, 2015)

CASE NO.: MS15-01-005

OWNER/DEVELOPER: Wayne & Jeanie Morlier

ENGINEER/SURVEYOR: LS Land Surveying, L.L.C.

SECTION: 12 & 13 WARD: 1

TOWNSHIP: 7 South PARISH COUNCIL DISTRICT: 1

RANGE: 10 East

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: <u>x</u> SUBURBAN (Residential lots between 1-5 acres)

___ RURAL (Low density residential lots 5 acres or more)
OTHER (PUD, Multi-family, commercial or industrial)

GENERAL LOCATION: The property is located on the south side of Brewster Road, west of LA

Highway 21, and south of Covington, Louisiana.

SURROUNDING LAND USES: North - single family residential

South - single family residential East - single family residential West - single family residential

TOTAL ACRES IN DEVELOPMENT: 3.5

NUMBER OF LOTS/PARCELS: 2 TYPICAL LOT SIZE: 1.5 & 2.0 acres

ZONING: A-2 Suburban

REASONS FOR PUBLIC HEARING: One of the lots is being accessed by a private drive.

STAFF COMMENTARY:

Department of Development - Planning

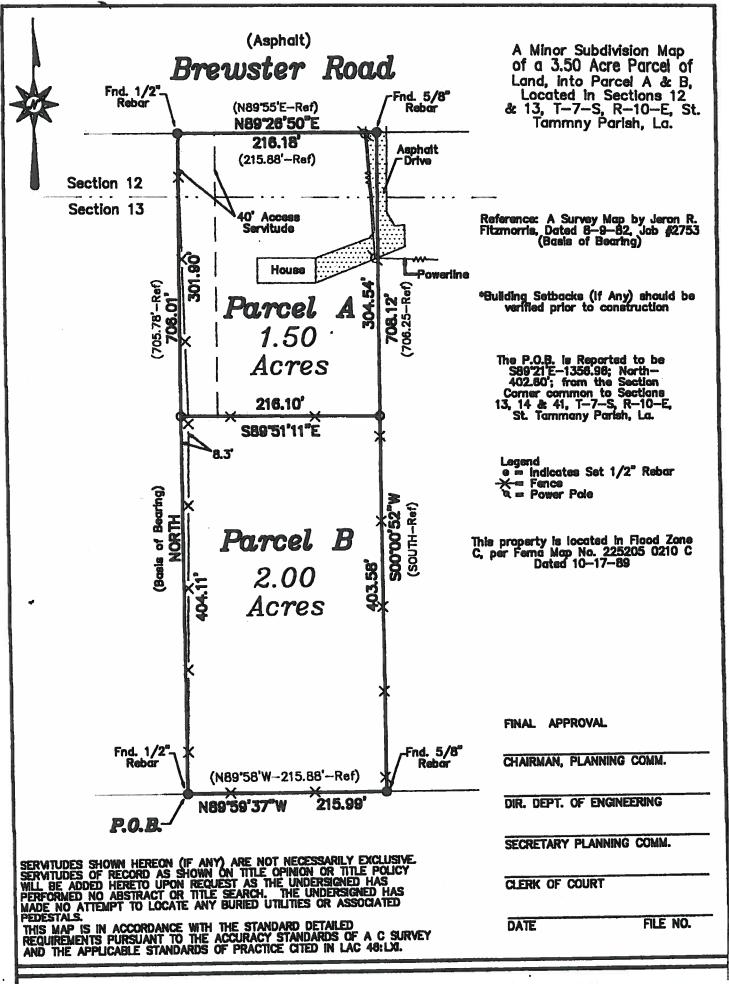
The owner is proposing to create two (2) parcels from one parent parcel; and since the private drive will only provide access to one (1) parcel within the minor subdivision, said drive is not required to be built to a parish standard pursuant to Section 40-045.01 Minimum Standards for a Private Drive, of Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499. Therefore, the staff has no objections to the proposed minor subdivision request.

Department of Engineering

None

Department of Environmental Services

None



REVOCATION/CLOSINGS REVIEW

REVOCATION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT

CASE NO.: REV14-12-002

NAME OF STREET OR ROAD: ALGIERS AVENUE

NAME OF SUBDIVISION: CENTRAL PARK

WARD: 8 PARISH COUNCIL DISTRICT: 12

PROPERTY LOCATION: The property is located in the northwest quadrant of Interstate 10 and LA

Highway 433, southeast of Slidell, Louisiana,

SURROUNDING ZONING: Commercial & Single Family Residential

PETITIONER/REPRESENTATIVE: Own Your Own, L.L.C.

STAFF COMMENTARY:

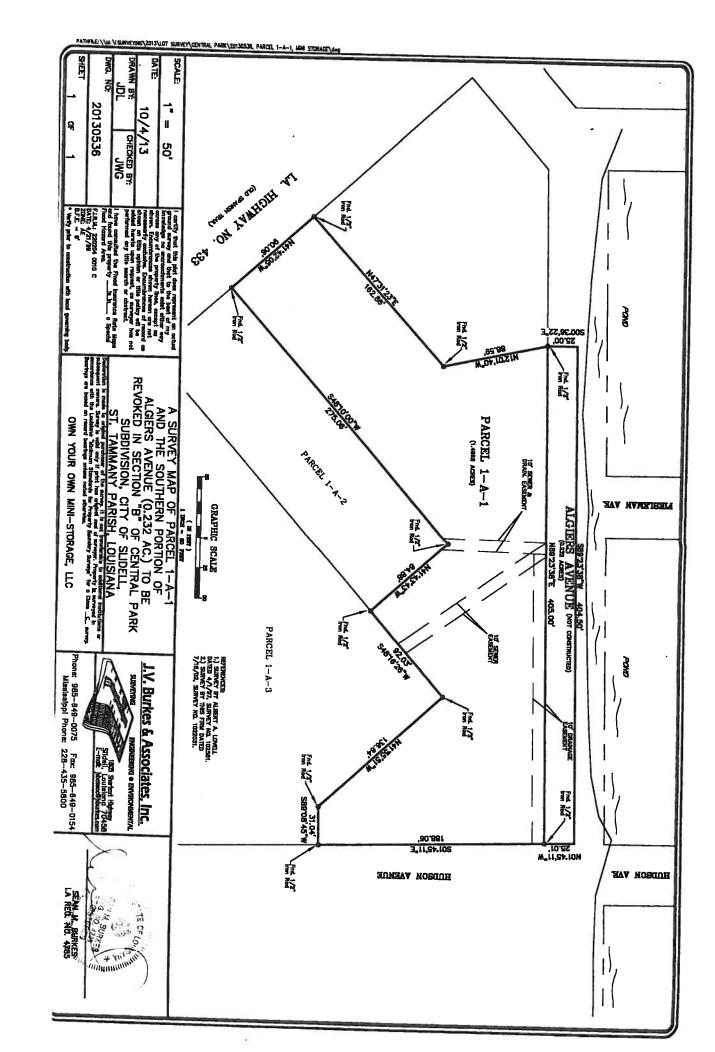
(This case cannot proceed until the owner involves the property owner on the north side of the right-of-way in the revocation process.)

The applicant wishes to revoke an approximate 25' wide strip of Algiers Avenue to use for his business. Portions of said right-of-way have been revoked previously and the right-of-way abuts detention ponds to the north.

Recommendation:

The staff has reviewed the applicant's request and believes that the proposal is consistent relative to the Louisiana Revised Statutes governing the revocation of immovable property since the right-of-way does not appear to serve any public use or benefit, other than to the applicant. Therefore, the staff has no objections to the proposed revocation request subject to the survey being amended to reflect the following:

- "City of Slidell" needs to be removed from the legend and replaced with "St. Tammany Parish".
- A notation needs to be placed on the survey indicating that the 25' wide strip of Algiers Avenue will be assimilated into parcel 1-A-1 to the south.
- The surveyor needs to determine if there is any additional right-of-way between the 25' wide strip and the detention ponds to the north.



RESUBDIVISION REVIEW

RESUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT

CASE FILE NO:

RS15-01-004

NAME OF SUBDIVISION: TOWN OF MANDEVILLE, S.W. Qtr. of Square 237

LOTS BEING DIVIDED:

S.W. Qtr. of Square 237 into lots 1 thru 4

SECTION:

38

WARD:

TOWNSHIP: 8 South

PARISH COUNCIL DISTRICT:

7

RANGE:

11 East

PROPERTY LOCATION:

The property is located on the northeast corner of Marigny Avenue

and Destin Street, north of Mandeville, Louisiana.

ZONING:

A-4 Single Family Residential

PROPERTY OWNER:

Marigny Land, L.L.C.

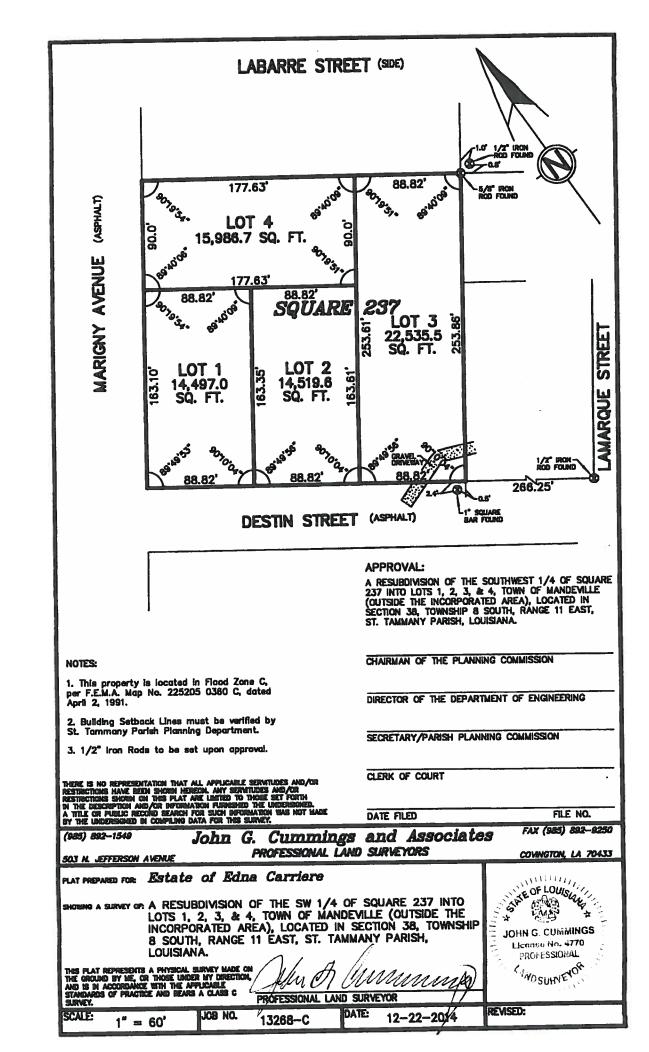
STAFF COMMENTARY:

The owner is proposing to resubdivide a quarter square into four (4) lots measuring 88.82' in width. The lots meet parish code insofar as meeting the minimum lot size requirements and the fact that the lots shall be connected to community sewerage and water facilities; however the minimum lot width is just short of the required 90' minimum. But since the lots meet all other aspects of parish code with the exception of being less than 1 1/2' feet short of the minimum lot width standard of 90', the staff has no objection to the proposed resubdivision request.

However, if the commission decides to grant the resubdivision request, a waiver of the Parish regulations is required for the proposed lot frontages pursuant to Section 40-100.0 Waiver of Regulations, of Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499, which requires a two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of the commission (8 members) in order to grant said waiver.

Recommendation:

The staff has no objections to the proposed resubdivision request.



RESUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT

CASE FILE NO: RS15-01-005

NAME OF SUBDIVISION: RED GAP ACRES, BLOCK 2

LOTS BEING DIVIDED: Lot 25 into lots 25A and 25B

SECTION: 12 WARD: 4

TOWNSHIP: 7 South PARISH COUNCIL DISTRICT: 5

RANGE: 11 East

PROPERTY LOCATION: The property is located on the west side of Ravine Drive and south of Harrison Avenue, south of Covington, Louisiana.

ZONING: A-2 Suburban

PROPERTY OWNER: Noella Thonn, et al.

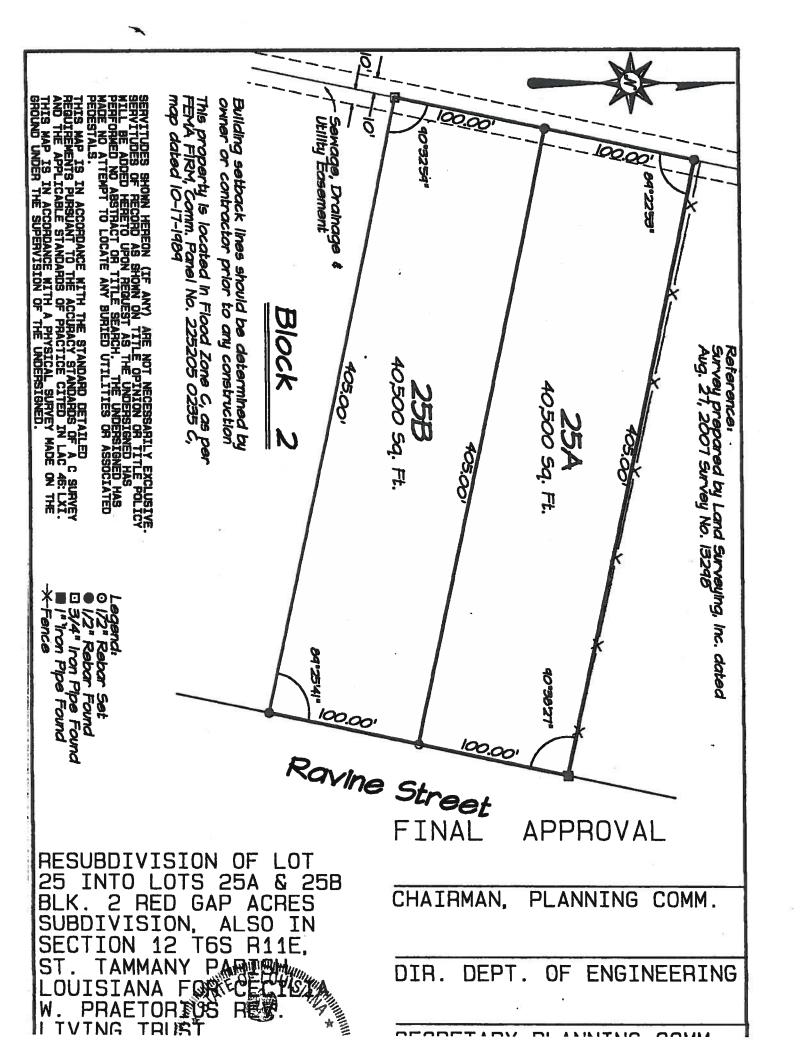
STAFF COMMENTARY:

The owner is proposing to resubdivide a lot into two (2) substandard lots of record. The property is zoned A-2 Suburban which requires a minimum lot frontage of 150' and a minimum lot size of one acre (43,560 sq. ft.). The owner wants to create two lots with only a 100' wide frontage for each lot and 40,500 sq. in lot area.

Recommendation:

Since the parish is under a mandate by the DEQ to eliminate individual sewage systems on substandard lots in favor of community facilities, this proposal would be in direct conflict with said mandate; however, it should be noted that the parish planning commission has approved a few resubdivisions of similar nature in the past within this subdivision.

Therefore, if the commission decides to grant the resubdivision request, a waiver of the Parish regulations is required for the proposed lot frontages and lot widths pursuant to Section 40-100.0 Waiver of Regulations, of Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499, which requires a two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of the commission (8 members) in order to grant said waiver.



PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION REVIEW

PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT (As of February 3, 2015)

CASE NO.: SD12-04-002P	IV-B			
SUBDIVISION NAME:	Northpark, Pha	se IV-B		
2555 S	gate Northpark, Levern Ave. de, LA 70002	LLC		
ENGINEER/SURVEYOR:	Deep South De	esign Grou	ıp	
SECTION 48 TOWNSHIP 7South RANGE 11 East	WARD PARIS		3 CIL DISTRICT:	5
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:	<u></u>	SUBUR RURAL	(Residential Farm	ess than 1 acre) ots between 1-5 acres) Tract lots 5 acres plus) amercial or industrial)(PUD)
TOTAL ACRES IN DEVELOR	PMENT:	6.148		
NUMBER OF LOTS: 1	LOT S	SIZE:	5.1 Ac.	
SEWER AND WATER SYSTE	EMS: Centra	ı		
ZONING: PBC-1 and HC	-1			
FLOOD ZONE DESIGNATIO	N: C			
TENTATIVE APPROVAL GR	ANTED:	April 10), 2012	
STAFF COMMENTARY.				

Department of Engineering

- 1. The Preliminary plans and hydrologic study have been reviewed by this office and an inspection was made of the site.
- 2. It is recommended that Preliminary submittal be approved subject to the following:

Subdivision Plat Comments:

a. Remove sidewalk from typical roadway section;

Drainage Comments:

- b. Remove lot drainage arrows;
- c. Add note stating, "LOT TO DRAIN TO POND";
- d. Add note stating, "36" PIPE STUBOUT FOR LOT 8 TO BE PLUGGED TILL FUTURE DEVELOPMENT";
- e. Remove sidewalk from typical roadway section;

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f. Revise drainage trench bedding and backfill detail in accordance with Sec. 40-032.03 Subsection 8;

Watershed Comments:

g. Need copy of LDEQ Stormwater Permit Letter with Agency Interest Number (AI#) or Notice of Intent (NOI);

Sewer & Water Comments:

h. Plans and specifications for the construction of the project's water distribution lines and sewage collection lines have not yet been approved by the Department of Health and Hospitals as required;

General Comments:

- i. GDD #5 approval is needed.
- 3. No Maintenance Obligation is required since this is an extension of a private road.
- 4. Mandatory Developmental fees will be required at Final Submittal in accordance with Ordinance No. 04-0990 since no public hearing was held prior to January 1, 2005.

Department of Development - Planning

None

From: alex@deepsouthdesign.com [mailto:alex@deepsouthdesign.com]

Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2015 10:51 AM

To: Ron Keller

Cc: Barry Spizer; Jeff Schoen **Subject:** Northpark Phase IV-B

Ron,

On behalf of Barry Spizer I will be submitting a preliminary/final subdivision application for Phase IV-B of the Northpark development this week. I was hopeful you could confirm that our desire to submit preliminary and final concurrently was acceptable, and also request that the necessary performance bond amount be set to match the attached estimate of probable cost.

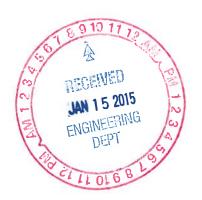
I have attached copies of the subdivision applications, environmental assessment data form, interstate land sales compliance letter, written legal, and estimate of probable cost for your review. I will also follow up this email with another that includes a full set of the construction documents. The file for these documents is fairly large and may exceed the limits of the STP email server, but could hand deliver the electronic file if necessary.

I greatly appreciate the help, and look forward to your response.

Alex E. Williams, P.E. (985)705-4696



North Park Phase IV-B Engineer's Estimate of Probable Cost			
		Unit Cost	Cost
Mobilization, @ 3.5% Base Bid, Is	1.0		\$22,703
Stakeout, Is	1.0	\$5,000.00	
Erosion Control, Is	1.0		\$4,500
Clear and Grub - Pond and Roadway, acres	2.4		\$11,900
Strip Roadway, cu.yd.	2,053.0		\$18,477
Pond Excavation, cu.yd.	10,185.0		\$40,740
Build-Up & Compact Road Sub-Base,cu.yd.	3,293.0		\$32,930
Base, cu.yd.	1,197.0		\$14,364
Concrete Streets, sq.yd.	2,200.0	\$65.00	\$143,000
8" Water Main, I.f.	600.0	\$20.00	\$12,000
8" Water Tie-In, ea	1.0	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
8" Gate Valve, ea	2.0	\$1,450.00	\$2,900
Fire Hydrants, ea	2.0	\$4,000.00	\$8,000
10" Gravity Sewer 10-12 l.f.	925.0	\$50.00	\$46,250
Sewer Manholes, ea	6.0	\$2,900.00	\$17,400
Tie-In @ Existing Manhole, ea	1.0	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
36" A-2000, I.f.	80.0	\$75.00	\$6,000
2-36" A-2000, I.f.	743.0	\$140.00	\$104,020
2-24" RCPA, I.f.	64.0	\$155.00	\$9,920
24" RCPA, I.f.	32.0	\$80.00	\$2,560
18" RCPA, I.f.	64.0	\$70.00	\$4,480
Curb Inlets, ea	8.0	\$8,000.00	\$64,000
Drain Manholes, ea	3.0	\$7,500.00	\$22,500
Overflow Structure, ea	1.0	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
All Testing, Clean-up, Misc., Is	1.0	\$30,000.00	\$30,000
Signage & Lighting, Is	1.0	\$12,500.00	\$12,500
	Constructi		\$648,644



FINAL SUBDIVISION REVIEW

FINAL SUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT (As of February 3, 2015)

CASE NO.: SD04-08-024FP	16	
SUBDIVISION NAME:	Bedico Creek,	Parcel 16
DEVELOPER: Bedico O	Creek Preserve,	LLC
ENGINEER/SURVEYOR:	Kelly McHugh	& Associates, Inc.
SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP 7 South RANGE 10 East	WARD PARIS	D: 1 H COUNCIL DISTRICT: 1
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:	<u></u>	URBAN (Residential lots less than 1 acre) SUBURBAN (Residential lots between 1-5 acres) RURAL (Residential Farm Tract lots 5 acres plus) OTHER (Multi family, commercial or industrial)(PUD)
TOTAL ACRES IN DEVELOPMENT	MENT:	14.13
NUMBER OF LOTS: 32	AVER	AGE LOT SIZE: Varies
SEWER AND WATER SYSTEM	MS: Central	I
ZONING: PUD		
FLOOD ZONE DESIGNATION	I: A	

Department of Engineering

STAFF COMMENTARY:

1. Periodic inspections have been made by this office during construction and the final inspection was made on 1/29/2015. The inspection disclosed that all of the concrete roadways are paved, the road shoulders need to be constructed and the roadside ditches need final dressing.

This project was postponed at the January 13, 2015 meeting.

- 2. The following uncompleted items existed at the time of the final inspection and will be completed before the plats are signed.
 - a. Subdivision Plat
 - 1) Need Bench Mark and Geoid;
 - 2) Need municipal addresses (9-1-1);
 - 3) Show As-Built Base used on the typical street X-section;
 - 4) Show revision date.

b. Paving and Drainage Plan

- 1) Need engineer's stamp;
- 2) Need ditch invert elevations at each property corner and roadway elevations;
- 3) Show surface drainage arrows on lots 731, 732 & 733;
- 4) Show As-Built used on the typical street x-section;
- 5) Show revision date;

c. Sewer and Water

- 1) A negative bacteriological report relative to the construction of the project's water system has not been issued by the LA DH&H/OPH as required by Section 40-070.0 of the Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No 499;
- 2) A letter of acceptance and responsibility for the perpetual maintenance and operation of the water and sewer system has not been issued by the utility provider as required.

d. General

- 1) Need As-Built signage plan;
- 2) Need base test results;
- 3) Need concrete test results;
- 4) Need floppy disk or current format;
- 5) Need street name signs and traffic signs;
- 6) Need blue reflectors.
- 3. Should the Planning Commission approve the request for final approval a Warranty Obligation will be required for the infrastructure in the amount of 1750 linear feet x \$25.00 per linear foot = \$43,800 for a period of five (5) years.
- 4. The staff recommends approval of the proposed final subdivision request subject to the developer complying with all comments and no plats to be signed until all items are satisfactorily completed.
- 5. No Mandatory Developmental Fees are required since a public hearing was held prior to 1/1/05.

Department of Development - Planning

None

FINAL SUBDIVISION STAFF ANALYSIS REPORT (As of February 3, 2015)

CASE NO.: SD12-0)4-002FIV-B			
SUBDIVISION NAME	: Northpa	ark, Phas	se IV-B	
DEVELOPER:	Greengate Nort 2555 Severn Av Metairie, LA 70	ve.	LC	
ENGINEER/SURVEYO	OR: Deep S	outh De	sign Group	
SECTION 48 TOWNSHIP 7South RANGE 11 East		WARD PARIS	: 3 H COUNCIL DISTRICT	T: 5
TYPE OF DEVELOPM	IENT:		RURAL (Residential Fa	ots less than 1 acre) ial lots between 1-5 acres) arm Tract lots 5 acres plus) commercial or industrial)(PUD)
TOTAL ACRES IN DE	EVELOPMENT:		6.148	
NUMBER OF LOTS:	1	AVER	AGE LOT SIZE:	5.1Ac.
SEWER AND WATER	R SYSTEMS:	Central		
ZONING: PBC-1	and HC-1			
FLOOD ZONE DESIG	NATION:	C		
STAFF COMMENTA	ARY:			

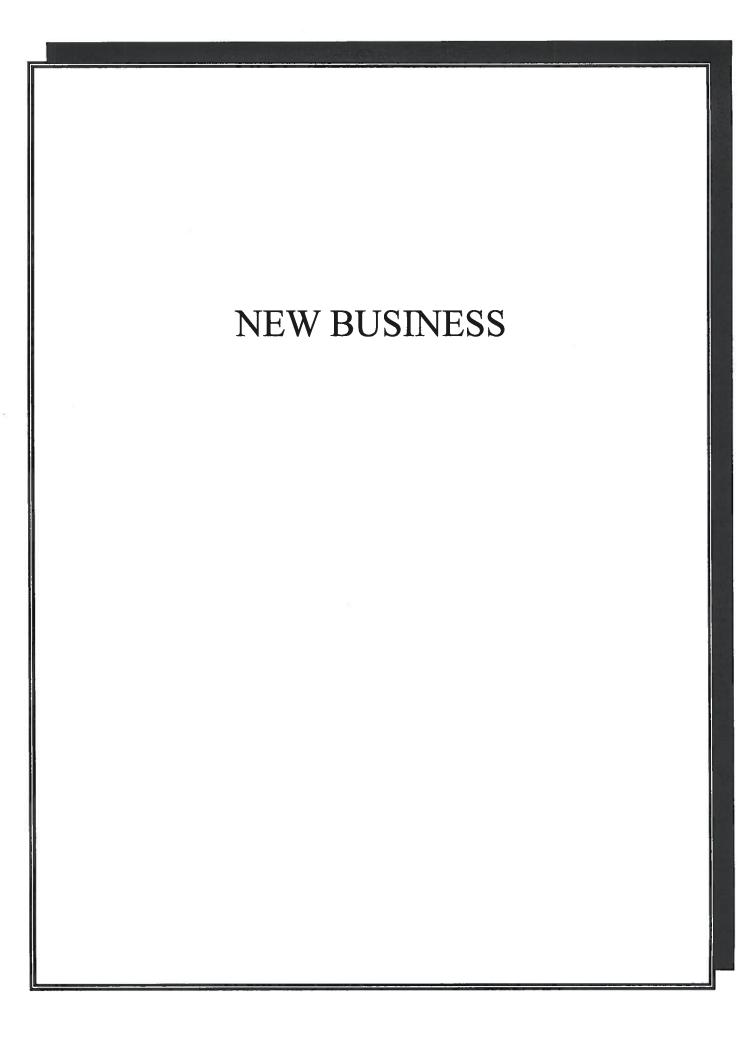
Department of Engineering

- 1. No work has commenced at the site.
- Since the infrastructure has not been completed the developer is requesting that a Performance Obligation be established for a period of six (6) months. See attached email dated January 14, 2015 from the developer's engineer Mr. Alex E. Williams, P.E., Deep South Design Group.
- 3. Should the Planning Commission approve the request for final approval a Performance Obligation will be required for the infrastructure in the amount of \$648,644.00 for a period of six (6) months. See attached Estimate of Probable Cost.

- 4. The staff has reviewed the engineers cost estimate and agrees with the contents. Subdivision plats can be signed upon issuance of a work order.
- 5. No Warranty Obligation is required at this time and will be established upon completion of the infrastructure and release of the Performance Obligation.
- 6. Since the developer has no "end users", the mandatory developmental fees are not due prior to signing the subdivision plat, but are due upon building permit application.

Department of Development - Planning

None



ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO.

ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO.

COUNCIL SPONSOR:

PROVIDED BY: COUNCIL ATTORNEY

INTRODUCED BY:

SECONDED BY:

ON THE __ DAY OF _____ 201 5.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT CHAPTER 18, ARTICLES III & IV OF THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, RELATIVE TO THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Planning Commission is charged with the responsibility of holding the legally required public hearings on behalf of the St. Tammany Parish Government for review of all proposed subdivision plats and amendments to the Parish Subdivision Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Zoning Commission is charged with the responsibility of holding the legally required public hearings on behalf of the St. Tammany Parish Government for all proposed amendments to the Parish Land Use Map and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Council deems it appropriate and necessary to amend the rules by which the St. Tammany Parish Planning Commission and Zoning Commission conduct such hearings to assure fair and proper consideration of all petitions which are presented to the Commissions.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS that the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, Article III, be amended as follows:

Section 18-036.00 Planning Commission Membership

- a. The membership shall be composed of eleven (11) members.
- b. The Parish President shall have the unilateral and exclusive right to nominate and appoint two (2) members to be considered At-Large members. These exclusive appointments by the Parish President do not require action by resolution or ordinance.
- c. The Parish Council, by resolution, shall have the unilateral and exclusive right to nominate and appoint nine (9) members.
- d. Any member who fails to appear at two (2) consecutive Planning Commission meetings shall may be automatically removed by his/her appointing authority. Members appointed by the Parish Council—may also be removed at any time with or without cause by the appointing authority. A majority vote of the Parish Council is required to remove members appointed by the Parish Council.
- e. Any vacancy created herein, and as specifically to the nine (9) Parish Council appointments, shall be <u>unilaterally and exclusively</u> filled by Council resolution <u>within 100 days of notice of the vacancy</u>.
- f. Any vacancy created by the death <u>or</u> resignation or replacement of an at-large member may <u>shall</u> be filled unilaterally and exclusively by the Parish President at any time <u>within 100 days of notice of the vacancy.</u>
- g. Terms of all Planning Commission members shall be concurrent with the terms of office of the Parish President and Parish Council.
- h. Planning Commission members shall receive a per diem of FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) for each meeting of the commission attended, for a maximum of twenty-four (24) meetings per year.
- No member shall run publicly campaign for, qualify for, or hold an elected public office while seated as a Planning Commissioner.

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Each A person newly appointed and serving on the Planning and/or Zoning Commission(s) shall receive at least four (4) hours of training continuing education credits prior to or within one (1) year of appointment. Each year, thereafter, the all Commissioners shall attend a the mandatory four hours (4) of continuing education training session provided by the St. Tammany Parish Government. Department of Development. Should a Commissioner be unable to attend the mandatory training session(s), that Commissioner will not take part in Commission functions until the 4-hour training requirement has been met. Should the Parish sponsored training session not be available, an alternative training session approved as determined by the Director of Planning Development with concurrence of the Parish President and Chairman of the Parish Council may be substituted. Commissioners newly appointed, and those continuing to serve, on both the Planning Commission and the Zoning Commission are required to obtain a combined total of four hours (4) of training and annual continuing education, respectively.

Section 18-036.01 Chairman and Vice-chairman

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- a. At the first regular meeting of each calendar year, the members of the Commission shall elect one of their number as Chairman and one of their number as Vice- Chairman, and the terms shall commence at that meeting.
- b. In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman shall act as Chair and shall have all the powers of the Chairman.
- c. In the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice Chairman, a quorum may select a an additional member to preside over the meeting.
- d. The Chairman may appoint committees, comprised of <u>no more than five (5)</u> members of the Commission, as well as other persons, to serve the Commission as deemed necessary.
- e. The Chairman may engage in discussion and vote in the same manner as any other member of the Commission, at his or her discretion. However, the Chairman must cast a vote to break a tie, or abstain from voting while verbally stating the reason for the abstention. Except in the case of an abstention, if the Chairman does not declare a vote, and is not otherwise required to do so in order to break a tie vote, it is assumed, but not recorded, that the Chairman has voted with the majority.
- f. The Chairman may suggest motions but may neither make nor second motions.

Section 18-036.02 Secretary

- a. The Director of the Department of <u>Development</u> Planning, or his designated representative, shall serve as the Secretary to the Commission.
- b. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the Commission, and maintain all records of the Commission meeting, hearings and proceedings. The minutes shall show the vote of each member upon each question, or if absent or failing to vote, indicating that fact. A copy of the minutes and actions of the Commission shall be filed with the Parish Council.
- c. The Secretary shall provide notices of hearings and meetings as may be required by law, and shall prepare all agendas.
- d. The Secretary shall receive, determine the completeness of, and review all applications.
- e. The Secretary shall serve as the point of contact for all applicants, and shall collect and compile information and report recommendations to the Commission. Said recommendation shall be considered and ruled upon by the Commission following the required public hearing.

Section 18-036.03 Planning Staff

The staff of the Departments of <u>Development Planning</u>, <u>Engineering</u>, <u>and Environment Services</u> shall serve as the support staff of the Commission and may be <u>requested ealled upon</u> to provide assistance in the performance of the duties of the Commission by the Chairman <u>on behalf</u> of for the entire Commission. or upon the request of any member of the Commission. Staff members shall also be designated as needed from the Department of Engineering and the Department of Environmental Services.

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Section 18-036.04

Powers and Duties

The Planning Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

- To hear, review and propose amendments to the adopted St. Tammany Parish Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499, as amended;
- b. To hear, review and approve or disapprove all plats of subdivision, as required in the St. Tammany Parish Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499, as amended. No plat of a subdivision of land within St. Tammany Parish, or a part thereof, requiring Commission approval shall be filed or recorded until it has been approved by the Planning Commission, all regulatory requirements have been completed, and the approval entered in writing on the plat bearing the signatures of the Planning Commission Chairman, Secretary and Parish Engineer.

The Planning Commission shall approve or disapprove a final subdivision plat within sixty (60) days after the submission thereof, by the third consecutive monthly meeting of the Commission wherein the subdivision plat has appeared on its agenda; otherwise said plat shall be deemed to have been approved, and a certificate to that effect shall be issued by the Commission upon request.

An applicant may request the Planning Commission to postpone its final subdivision plat review, upon written notice, no later than forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting date. In that event, or if the Commission grants the applicant a postponement at the meeting, the time constraints for the Commission to approve or disapprove the final subdivision plat shall begin again and follow the same procedures as set forth above.

- To adopt a master or comprehensive plan or elements thereof, including graphics, narrative description and policies to guide and accomplish the coordinated, adjusted and harmonious development of St. Tammany Parish;
- d. To make careful and comprehensive surveys and studies of present and future growth of St. Tammany Parish and to make periodic reviews and updates to the master plan or comprehensive plan or portions thereof;
- e. To review and report on any matter referred to it by the Parish President or the Parish Council (i.e. Transportation Improvement Plan, Capital Improvement Program).
- f. To make its special knowledge and expertise as a Commission available, upon reasonable written request to any official, department or board.
- g. To exercise all of the powers and duties conferred by Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:102 through 33:119 inclusive, where applicable, and as may be amended by the La. State Legislature.

Section 18-036.05 St. Tammany Parish Council As Final Authority on Appeal

A. Appeal to the Parish Council. Any person claiming to be aggrieved by a decision of the Parish Planning Commission, except an approval in final subdivision review, may appeal to the Parish Council, through the Parish Department of Planning Development, in written form within ten (10) days following the Commission's hearing. The appeal may be heard by the Parish Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting following the ten-day appeal period. The Parish Council shall have the exclusive right to overturn any Planning Commission decision by a majority vote of the membership of the Parish Council, with the exception of overturning a Planning Commission denial in subdivision review which shall require a 2/3 vote of the membership of the Parish Council.

B. Review of Council Appeal Decisions. Any person or persons jointly or severally aggrieved by any decision of the Parish Council relative to a Planning Commission appeal may file a petition to the Twenty-Second Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of St. Tammany for the issuance of a writ of certiorari or for other appropriate legal proceedings. The petition shall be filed within thirty days after the decision of the Council becomes final, which shall commence on the day following the effective date of the Council's resolution or, when the adoption of an ordinance is required, the day following the effective date of the ordinance. The actions of the Parish Council shall be subject to review on the grounds of abuse of discretion, unreasonable exercise of police powers, an excessive use of powers granted to the Council, or the denial of the right to due process. However, the right to petition for ef judicial review shall not be limited to the foregoing grounds.

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- No business shall be conducted by the Commission without a quorum being present. Unless
 otherwise herein specified, a quorum shall consist of eight (8) six (6) members (2/3 majority).
- b. To constitute final action on any matter before it, at minimum, a majority vote of the membership of the Commission is required, unless a larger vote is required by law.

Section 18-036.07 Meetings, Hearings, and Procedures

- a. The regular Planning Commission Meeting shall be held at 6:00 P.M. on the second Tuesday of each month at the St. Tammany Parish Administrative Complex, except where holidays or other conflicts shall require rescheduling.
- b. Special Meetings may be called by the Chairman, or at the request in writing of any six (6) members of the Commission, subject to proper legal notice.
- c. All meetings shall be open to the public and shall be conducted in accordance with State Open Meetings Laws and these Rules of Policy and Procedure.
- d. The Commission shall sit only as a Planning Commission for all Planning applications authorized by St. Tammany Parish Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499.
- e. If necessary, the Planning Commission and the Zoning Commission may meet on the same day. Separate agendas must be maintained for each Commission. If both meetings are held on the same day, one meeting must adjourn before the second is commenced.
- f. The Agenda for hearings and meetings of the Commission shall be prepared by the Secretary with the approval of the Chair.
- g. Applications for amendments to the Subdivision Regulatory Ordinance No. 499 or developmental reviews under these <u>rules</u> ordinances shall not be considered by the Commission unless properly and completely filed for placement on the Agenda with the Secretary, in accordance with the applicable filing procedures of the Department of Development and provisions for public notice and the filing deadlines established therein.
- h. Matters that have arisen subsequent to the established filing deadline may be placed on the next appropriate Commission meeting agenda by the Chairman provided that the request is made to the Secretary prior to the deadline for final legal notice of the meeting and that all other requirements for legal notification have been met.
- The agenda shall constitute the fixed order of business for the particular public hearing or meeting. and items shall be considered in the order of their appearance on the Agenda.
- j. The Chair, without objection from the Commission, may arrange individual items on the particular Agenda if necessary for the expeditious conduct of business. however, items shall not be transferred from one Agenda to another.
- k. Other items of business (discussion items) not requiring action by the Commission may be presented at a meeting introduced under "Approval of the Agenda" and placed on the Agenda under "New Business" Discussion Items by the Chair with majority a unanimous vote of the Commission members present.
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assistance of police personnel, and pursuing criminal penalties against the audience member for disturbing the peace consistent with La. R.S. 14:103 or other applicable statute.

Section 18-036.011 Seminars and Retreats

- From time to time the Commission may schedule informal study/work sessions designated as seminars or retreats.
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 - 1. Presentation of study item
 - 2. Discussion interaction between the Commission members
 - 3. Public input (if scheduled as part of the seminar)
 - 4. Concluding remarks
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- f. Public comment at the seminar, if scheduled, shall be limited based upon the topic and agenda. Interested parties are welcome to listen and learn from the presentation and discussion with no participation in the discussion unless scheduled as an agenda item.

Section 18-036.012 Committees

- a. In fulfilling its various charges, the Commission shall utilize committees at its discretion.
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- d. At the time of the creation and appointments, the Commission shall provide the committee with a written-scope of work to include the following:
 - 1. A statement of specific purpose and objective
 - 2. Approximate length of term
 - 3. Authorized activities / actions
 - 4. Required number and timing of status reports, if any
 - 5. Required final report/deadline

The committee may supplement the scope of work with a work plan should it choose to develop one.

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- g. All Committee meetings shall be open to the public and shall be conducted in accordance with State Open Meetings Laws and these Rules of Policy and Procedure.
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- Committees shall present orally and file written interim and final reports with to the Commission
 as required in the scope of work. The Secretary shall place reports on the agenda of the first
 regularly scheduled meeting subsequent to the report.
- j. The Commission shall act upon committee recommendations within sixty-four (64) days of its receipt of the committee's final report. The final report shall be considered received at the regularly scheduled meeting at which it is presented.
- k. The Commission shall have the authority to dissolve committees after the Commission has taken action with respect to the final committee report or when it is determined that a committee is unable to fulfill its charge.
- 1. Following the first hearing on a matter before the Commission, a "community meeting" may be called by the Chair and have up to five (5) commissioners in attendance. Community meetings are intended for dissemination of information and for promoting dialogue among applicants and persons interested in matters being brought before the Commission only, and shall not be considered a committee of the Commission.

Section 18-036.013 Executive Session

- For From time to time, the Commission may find it necessary to discuss matters of personnel or litigation pertaining to the business of the Commission and shall enter Executive Session to do so.
- b. When an Executive Session is allowed by the applicable State Law, the following rules shall apply:
 - 1. The Commission shall enter into Executive Session only from a regularly convened meeting.
 - The motion to enter into Executive Session must carry a two-thirds vote of Commission members in attendance.
 - 3. No action may be taken in Executive Session.
 - 4. After leaving an Executive Session, the Chair shall reconvene the regularly scheduled meeting so that all scheduled items, including any considered in Executive Session, may be disposed of and the meeting may be properly adjourned.

Section 18-036.014 Rules of Conduct for Commissioners

- a. Each member of the Commission shall abide by the State of Louisiana Code of Government Ethics, Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 42, Chapter 15, as amended. Each member shall certify in writing that they have read and understand the "Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics" located on the Louisiana Board of Governmental Ethics (LBGE) website at http://ethics.la.gov, prior to being seated as a Planning Commissioner. Each member is responsible to register and participate in at least one (1) hour of ethics training annually through the LBGE website at http://ethics.la.gov/SeminarRegistration/. Should a Commissioner not complete the ethics training in any calendar year, that Commissioner will not take part in Commission functions until the ethics training requirement has been met.
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- c. Each member may visit the site in question, but may not have discussions concerning the site or project with any interested party prior to the legal hearing, except as outlined in Section 18-036.014b.

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- d. Following the initial required public hearing, the Commission may form a Committee for the expressed purpose of attempting to better understand the issues raised in the review of the Application, in accordance with Section 18-036.012 of these Rules.
- e. Commission members shall not in any way pledge himself or herself to any party on a matter before the Commission, prior to the legal public hearing.
- f. Any Commission member who has knowledge of the fact that he/she will not be able to attend one or more a scheduled meeting(s) or hearing(s), shall notify the Secretary at the earliest possible opportunity, and in any event before 4:00 P.M. on the day of the <u>first missed</u> meeting.
- g. Once a meeting is called to order by the Chair, the Commission members shall take special care to conduct themselves in a professional and courteous manner and remain attentive to the members of the public testifying before the Commission.
- Commission members requesting information or clarification relative to an application or business item that is before them for consideration may directly contact the Secretary for assistance.
- The Commission may request information or specific actions from the Secretary and such request will be reflected in the minutes.
- Each Commissioner will sign an acknowledgment of having received and fully read the rules of conduct prior to serving as member of the commission.

Section 18-036.015 Representation

- a. The Chair shall serve as the official spokesman and representative of the Commission in all matters that have been acted upon by the Commission. The Chair may appoint a member of the Commission to serve as spokesperson or representative. Any member who officially represents or speaks for the Commission shall report to the Commission on any statements made or actions taken while serving in that capacity at its next regularly scheduled meeting.
- b. In the absence of an official spokesman as described above, the Secretary shall act on behalf of the Commission before the Parish Council and shall inform the Council of all final decisions and recommendations, along with supporting records and documentation, rendered by the Commission.
- c. Commission members shall refrain from making statements or taking action which may be identified as or construed to be an official act or position of the Commission unless the Commission has first acted upon the matter and the member is acting as the official spokesperson or representative.
- d. Commission members shall not publically advocate or promote individual positions or opinions as an official position of the Commission; unless the Commission has first acted on the matter.

Section 18-036.016 Violation Of Rules

Any violation of these rules may be deemed as cause for removal of the offending member by the appointing authority.

Section 18-036.017 Rules of Policy and Procedure Amendments

All Commission Rules of Policy and Procedure are established by ordinance and may only be amended by the Parish Council according to the following applicable procedures:

- a. Proposed amendments may be initiated by any member of the Commission who shall file a written copy of the proposal with the Secretary.
- The Secretary shall place the proposed amendment on the Commission agenda for the next available public meeting.

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- c. The Commission shall review the proposed amendment, comments from the public, and recommendations from the Secretary and Legal Counsel prior to taking a vote. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Commission as a whole (8 votes) is required to recommend an amendment to these rules.
- d. If approved, the Secretary shall forward the recommended amendment to the Parish Council for consideration of an amending ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the St. Tammany Parish Code or Ordinances, Chapter 18, Article IV, be amended as follows:

Section 18-051.00 Zoning Commission Membership

- a. The membership shall be composed of eleven (11) members
- The Parish President shall have the unilateral and exclusive right to nominate and appoint two
 (2) members to be considered At-Large members. These exclusive appointments by the Parish
 President do not require action by resolution or ordinance.
- c. The Parish Council, by resolution, shall have the unilateral and exclusive right to nominate and appoint nine (9) members.
- d. Any member who fails to appear at two (2) consecutive Zoning Commission meetings shall may be automatically removed by his/her appointing authority. Members appointed by the Parish Council may also be removed at any time, with or without cause, by the appointing authority. A majority vote of the Parish Council is required to remove members appointed by the Parish Council.
- e. Any vacancy created herein, and as specifically to the nine (9) Parish Council appointments shall be <u>unilaterally and exclusively</u> filled by Council resolution <u>within 100 days of notice of the vacancy.</u>
- f. Any vacancy created by the death <u>or</u> resignation or replacement of an at-large member may shall be filled unilaterally and exclusively by the Parish President at any time within 100 days of notice of the vacancy.
- g. Terms of all Zoning Commission members shall be concurrent with the terms of office of the Parish President and Parish Council.
- h. Zoning Commission members shall receive a per diem of FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) for each meeting of the commission attended, for a maximum of twenty-four (24) meetings per year.
- i. No member shall run publicly campaign for, qualify for, or hold an elected public office while seated as a Zoning Commissioner.
- j. Each A person newly appointed and serving on the Zoning and/or Planning Commission(s) shall receive at least four (4) hours of training continuing education credits prior to or within one (1) year of appointment. Each year, thereafter, the all Commissioners shall attend a the mandatory four hours (4) of continuing education training session provided by the St. Tammany Parish Government. Department of Development. Should a Commissioner be unable to attend the mandatory training session(s), that Commissioner will not take part in Commission functions until the 4-hour training requirement has been met. Should the Parish sponsored training session not be available, an alternative training session approved as determined by the Director of Planning Development with concurrence of the Parish President and Chairman of the Parish Council may be substituted. Commissioners newly appointed, and those continuing to serve, on both the Planning Commission and the Zoning Commission are required to obtain a combined total of four hours (4) of training and annual continuing education, respectively.

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Section 18-051.01 Chairman and Vice-chairman

- a. At the first regular meeting of each calendar year, the members of the Commission shall elect one of their number as Chairman and one of their number as Vice-Chairman, and the terms shall commence at that meeting.
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Section 18-051.03 Planning Zoning Staff

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Section 18-051.04 Powers and Duties

The Zoning Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

 To hear, review and propose amendments to the adopted St. Tammany Parish Land Use-Regulation Ordinance No. 523 <u>Unified Development Code</u>, as amended;

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 - To make careful and comprehensive surveys and studies of present and future growth of
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- Special Meetings may be called by the Chairman, or at the request in writing of any six
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- All meetings shall be open to the public and shall be conducted in accordance with State
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 - 6. Refrain from discussing matters not on the published agenda, unless the proper procedures have been followed in adding the item to the agenda.
 - 7. Refrain from posting any signs in or around the Zoning commission offices or auditorium where the Commission meetings are to take place.
 - 8. Refrain from carrying, wearing, or otherwise bringing in any objects, clothing, handheld signs or placards, or message into the building and auditorium where the zoning meeting is to take place in a manner disruptive to the meeting as determined by the Commission Chairman.

The Chair shall take whatever action is necessary to insure that these rules are observed and the meeting proceeds in an orderly fashion. Including warning the audience member to refrain from continuing the conduct, warning the audience member that they will be ejected if they continue the conduct, ejecting the audience member with or without the assistance of police personnel, and pursuing criminal penalties against the audience member for disturbing the peace consistent with La. R.S. 14:103 or other applicable statute.

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- a. From time to time the Commission may schedule informal study/work sessions designated as seminars or retreats.
- Workshops <u>Sessions</u> shall be open to the public and the rules of proper notice of <u>regular</u> Commission meetings shall apply.
- c. The only order of business at a workshop session shall be the presentation, familiarization and discussion of the particular agenda study topics. No application for a zoning change shall be considered at a workshop session meeting.
- d. The <u>Planning Zoning</u> staff and/or guest presenters shall moderate the discussions and observe the following order of presentation:
 - 1. Presentation of study item
 - 2. Discussion interaction between the Commission members
 - 3. Public input (if scheduled as part of the seminar)
 - 4. Concluding remarks
- No official action shall be taken by the Commission on items presented at the seminar or retreat.
- f. Public comment at the seminar, if scheduled, shall be limited based upon the topic and agenda. Interested parties are welcome to listen and learn from the presentation and discussion with no participation in the discussion unless scheduled as an agenda item.

Section 18-051.12 Committees

- a. In fulfilling its various charges, the Commission shall utilize committees at its discretion.
- b. The Commission may appoint committees, comprised of no more than three (3) five (5) Commission members and may include other persons as deemed necessary.
- Staff personnel will be made available upon reasonable request to provide any assistance required by the committee.
- d. At the time of the creation and appointments, the Commission shall provide the committee with a written-scope of work to include the following:
 - 1. A statement of specific purpose and objective
 - 2. Approximate length of term
 - 3. Authorized activities / actions
 - 4. Required number and timing of status reports, if any
 - 5. Required final report/deadline

The Committee may supplement the scope of work with a work plan should it choose to develop one.

- e. Committees shall not take any action, which may be construed as an official act of the Commission, but instead may make recommendations for action by the Commission.
 Committees shall not publically advocate or promote committee recommendations as an official position of the Commission, unless the Commission has first acted on the matter.
- f. Committees shall conduct business by an agenda and keep minutes of all proceedings as a matter of public record.
- g. All Committee meetings shall be open to the public and shall be conducted in accordance with State Open Meetings Laws and these Rules of Policy and Procedure.
- h. Committees shall forward the minutes of their proceedings to all Commission members and the Secretary of the Commission as a part of the regular monthly submission. The general

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public shall have access to committee records upon request.

- Committees shall present orally and file written interim and final reports with the Commission as required in the scope of work. The Secretary shall place reports on the agenda of the first regularly scheduled meeting subsequent to the report.
- j. The Commission shall act upon committee recommendations within sixty-four (64) days of its receipt of the committee's final report. The final report shall be considered received at the regularly scheduled meeting at which it is presented.
- k. The Commission shall have the authority to dissolve committees after the Commission has taken action with respect to the final committee report or when it is determined that a committee is unable to fulfill its charge.
- Following the first hearing on a matter before the Commission, a "community meeting" may be called by the Chair and have up to five (5) commissioners in attendance. Community meetings are intended for dissemination of information and for promoting dialogue among applicants and persons interested in matters being brought before the Commission only, and shall not be considered a committee of the Commission.

Section 18-051.13 Executive Session

- For From time to time, the Commission may find it necessary to discuss matters of
 personnel or litigation pertaining to the business of the Commission and shall enter
 Executive Session to do so.
- b. When an Executive Session is allowed by the applicable State Law, the following rules shall apply:
 - 1. The Commission shall enter into Executive Session only from a regularly convened meeting.
 - 2. The motion to enter into Executive Session must carry a two-thirds vote of Commission members in attendance.
 - 3. No action may be taken in Executive Session
 - 4. After leaving an Executive Session, the Chair shall reconvene the regularly scheduled meeting so that all scheduled items, including any considered in Executive Session, may be disposed of and the meeting may be properly adjourned.

Section 18-051.14 Rules Of Conduct For Commissioners

- a. Each member of the Commission shall abide by the State of Louisiana Code of Government Ethics, Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 42, Chapter 15, as amended. Each member shall certify in writing that they have read and understand the "Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics" located on the Louisiana Board of Governmental Ethics (LBGE) website at http://ethics.la.gov, prior to being s eated as a Zoning Commissioner. Each member is responsible to register and participate in at least one (1) hour of ethics training annually through the LBGE website at http://ethics.la.gov/SeminarRegistration/. Should a Commissioner not complete the ethics training in any calendar year, that Commissioner will not take part in Commission functions until the ethics training requirement has been met.
- b. A Commission member shall not meet or communicate in any fashion with any applicant, proponent, opponent or other interested party, excepting members of the Parish Administration, Parish Council and/or the Commission staff, to discuss any matter before the Commission prior to the legal public hearing on that matter. When more than six (6) months have elapsed since the less legal public hearing of a particular matter, no commissioner shall meet or communicate in any fashion with any applicant, proponent, opponent or other interested party until an new legal hearing is again held on that matter. the legal hearing requirements shall reapply. Violation

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of this section may be cause for dismissal of the offending Commission member.

- c. Each member may visit the site in question, but may not have discussions concerning the site or project with any interested party prior to the legal hearing, except as outlined in Section 18-051.14b.
- d. Following the initial required public hearing, the Commission may form a Committee for the expressed purpose of attempting to better understand the issues raised in the review of the Application, in accordance with Section 18-051.12 of these Rules.
- e. Commission members shall not in any way pledge himself or herself to any party on a matter before the Commission, prior to the legal public hearing.
- f. Any Commission member who has knowledge of the fact that he/she will not be able to attend a scheduled meeting or hearing, shall notify the Secretary at the earliest possible opportunity, and in any event before 4:00 P.M. on the day of the meeting.
- g. Once a meeting is called to order by the Chair, the Commission members shall take special care to conduct themselves in a professional and courteous manner and remain attentive to the members of the public testifying before the Commission.
- h. Commission members requesting information or clarification relative to an application or business item that is before them for consideration may directly contact the Secretary for assistance.
- i. The Commission may request information or specific actions from the Secretary and such requests will be reflected in the minutes.
- j. Each Commissioner will sign an acknowledgment of having received and fully read the rules of conduct prior to serving as member of the commission.

Section 18-051.15 Representation

- a. The Chair shall serve as the official spokesman and representative of the Commission in all matters that have been acted upon by the Commission. The Chair may appoint a member of the Commission to serve as spokesperson or representative. Any member who officially represents or speaks for the Commission shall report to the Commission on any statements made or actions taken while serving in that capacity at its next regularly scheduled meeting.
- b. In the absence of an official spokesman as described above, the Secretary shall act on behalf of the Commission before the Parish Council and shall inform the Council of all final decisions and recommendations, along with supporting records and documentation, rendered by the Commission.
- c. Commission members shall refrain from making statements or taking action which may be identified as or construed to be an official act or position of the Commission. , unless the Commission has first acted upon the matter and the member is acting as the official spokesperson or representative.
- d. Commission members shall not publically advocate or promote individual positions or opinions as an official position of the Commission, unless the Commission has first acted on the matter.

Section 18-051.16 Violation Of Rules

Any violation of these rules may be deemed as cause for removal of the offending member by the appointing authority.

Section 18-051.017 Rules of Policy and Procedure Amendments

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All Commission Rules of Policy and Procedure are established by ordinance and may only be amended by the Parish Council according to the following applicable procedures:
a. Proposed amendments may be initiated by any member of the Commission who shall file a written copy of the proposal with the Secretary.
b. The Secretary shall place the proposed amendment on the Commission agenda for the next available public meeting.
c. The Commission shall review the proposed amendment, comments from the public, and recommendations from the Secretary and Legal Counsel prior to taking a vote. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Commission as a whole (8 votes) is required to recommend an amendment to these rules.
d. If approved, the Secretary shall forward the recommended amendment to the Parish Council for consideration of an amending ordinance.
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any and all Rules of and for the Parish Planning Commission and Zoning Commission previously established or adopted are hereby repealed.
REPEAL: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.
SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions herein which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.
EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final adoption.
MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY:, SECONDED BY:
WHEREUPON THIS ORDINANCE WAS SUBMITTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:
YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:
THIS ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THE DAY OF 2015; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 15
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