

CITY RESOLUTION NO. CR-009-2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL EXPANDING THE BOUNDARY OF THE OIL CENTER CULTURAL DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, RECREATION AND TOURISM, OFFICE OF CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, AND RECOGNIZING THE RIGHT OF QUALIFYING PERSONS TO AVAIL THE PROVISIONS OF LA. R.S. 47:297.6 RELATIVE TO A TAX REDUCTION ASSOCIATED WITH THE REHABILITATION OF RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES, AND OF LA. R.S. 47:6019 RELATIVE TO A TAX CREDIT ASSOCIATED WITH THE REHABILITATION OF HISTORIC STRUCTURES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lafayette City Council (the “Governing Authority”), acting as the governing authority of the City of Lafayette, State of Louisiana (the “City”), that:

WHEREAS, Act 298 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature authorizes Local Governing Authorities to create Cultural Districts as a mechanism for community revitalization through the creation of hubs of cultural activity; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of Cultural Development is authorized to develop standard criteria for cultural districts and to determine whether or not a proposed Cultural District meets those criteria; and

WHEREAS, within the boundaries of a state-certified Cultural District, several tax incentives may be available including (1) a sales tax exemption on the sale of certain original works of art and (2) income and corporate franchise tax credits for eligible expenses incurred during the rehabilitation of certain historic structures; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of Cultural Development has promulgated administrative rules which set for the procedure for Local Governing Authorities to submit applications to designate and certify a specified geographic area as a Cultural Districts; and

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Council approved the application of the Oil Center Cultural District by Resolution No. R-022-2019, which is located entirely within the municipality of the City of Lafayette; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of Cultural Development has approved the boundaries Oil Center Cultural district on May 24, 2019, as that certain geographic area within the City of Lafayette, Parish of Lafayette, meeting the criteria set forth in La. R.S. 47:305.57 and Louisiana Administrative Code 25:1§1107(B) for the creation of a state-certified Cultural District. Said area is comprised of that general area marked on the attached as Oil Center Cultural District (Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, only a Local Governing Authority is authorized to submit an application to expand the said boundaries of the Cultural District; and

WHEREAS, a “Local Governing Authority” is defined by LAC 25:I§1103 as “the governing authority of the municipality;” and

WHEREAS, the Oil Center Cultural District expanded area is located entirely within the municipality of Lafayette and therefore the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government would be the proper entity to submit an application for the expansion of the above described Oil Center Cultural District, now to be described as follows:

From the corner of McKinley Street and E. University Avenue, southeast along E. University Avenue, southwest along W. Pinhook Road, southeast along the rear lot lines of properties facing Demanade Boulevard, southwest along Mae Drive, northwest 32.5’ along the rear lot line of property of DeBoisblanc Subdivision facing South Audubon Drive, southwest to South Audubon Drive, northwest to Exchange Place, southwest along Exchange Place and, northwest along Exchange Place, southwest along W. Pinhook Road, southeast along the rear lot line of properties facing Teche Drive, across the Vermilion River, west along the rear lot lines of properties facing La Rue France, across the Vermilion River, north on W. Pinhook Road, northwest on Bendel Road, southwest on S. College Road, following Girard Park Drive northeast, then following Girard Park Circle northeast, continuing across E. Saint Mary Boulevard on McKinley Street to E. University Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Lafayette City Council, that:

SECTION 1: All of the aforescribed “Whereas” clauses are adopted as part of this resolution.

SECTION 2: Offers preliminary support for the submission of an application to expand the boundary of the state-certified Oil Center Cultural District Said area is comprised of that general area marked on the attached as Oil Center Cultural District (Exhibit A).

SECTION 3: Delegates its authority to submit said application and all supporting documents, reports, and other forms required for the creation, administration, and reporting to the Lafayette Mayor-President or his designee.

SECTION 4: Directs all city departments and agencies to cooperate with efforts to compile all necessary information and data required for the application to determine whether the district’s creation shall, among other things, accomplish the following:

1. Revitalize a neighborhood or area;
2. Stimulate the economy;
3. Engage residents;
4. Draw tourists;
5. Provide a sense of community;
6. Serve as a gathering place;
7. Encourage creativity;

8. Strengthen community partnerships;
9. Promote the arts and support artists;
10. Develop a positive image for the area;
11. Enhance property values; and
12. Capitalize on local cultural, economic and social assets.

SECTION 5: Authorizes the Lafayette Mayor-President, or his designee, to sign any and all documents required to complete the application of the proposed cultural district expansion.

SECTION 6: Authorizes the expansion of the Cultural District subject to consideration of the following items: (1) a review and report to the Lafayette City Council from the Lafayette Community Development and Planning Department regarding the location and infrastructure within the boundaries of the proposed district, the economic and social activity to be promoted with the proposed district and an analysis on whether it is consistent and compatible with current and future goals and plans for the City of Lafayette; (2) a review and report to Lafayette City Council from the Lafayette Zoning Commission regarding any legal impediments to the activities that would exist and be promoted within the proposed boundaries of the district; (3) the adoption of ordinances for the creation of the district, and consideration by the Lafayette City Council, for granting an exemption of certain city and/or parish taxes from sales of qualified items within specified areas of the district.

SECTION 7: All resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote on behalf of the Lafayette City Council thereon was as follows:

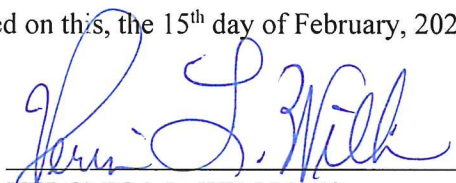
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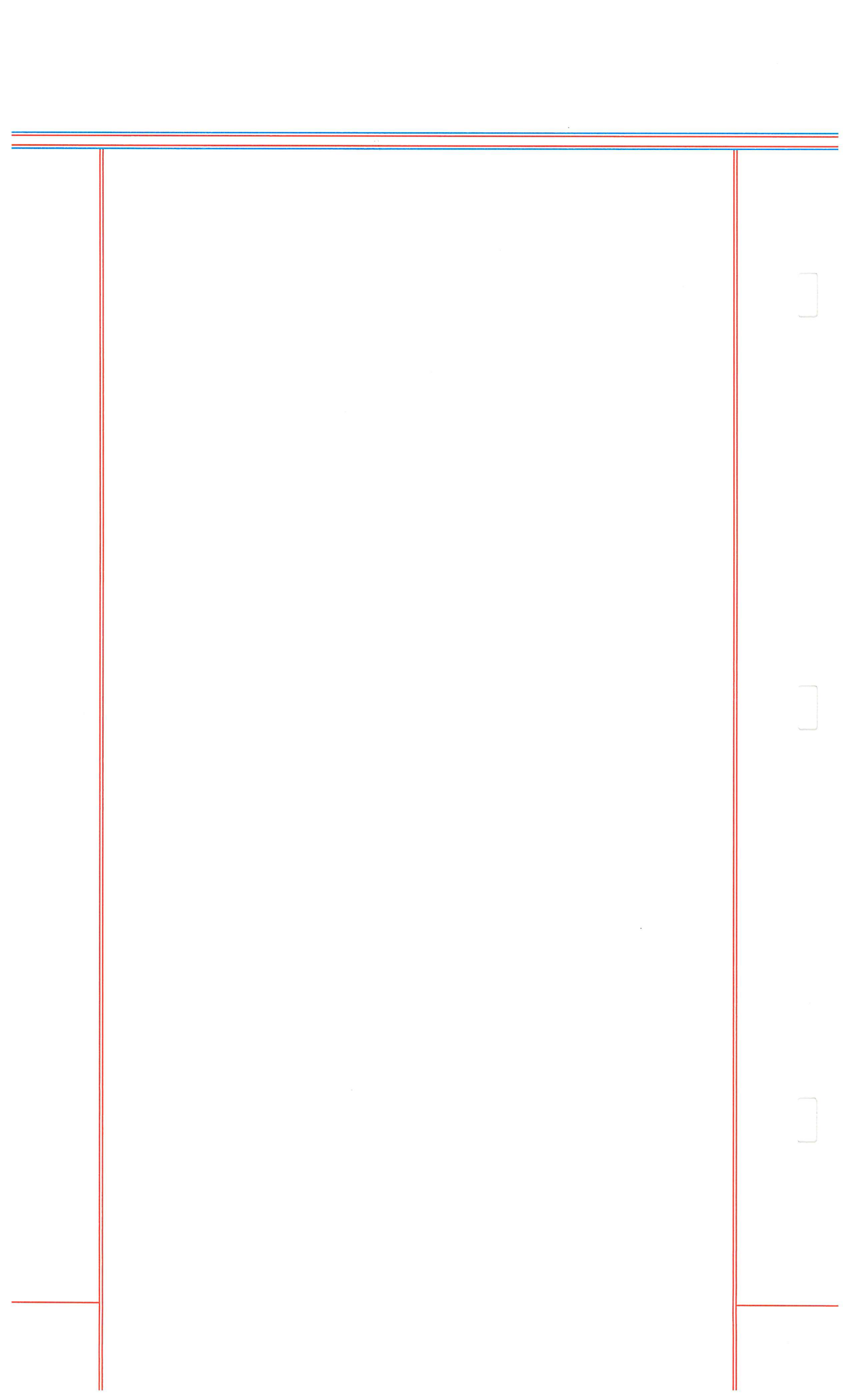
NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

AND the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 15th day of February, 2022.


VERONICA L. WILLIAMS,
LAFAYETTE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL



OIL CENTER CULTURAL DISTRICT MAP - EXHIBIT A

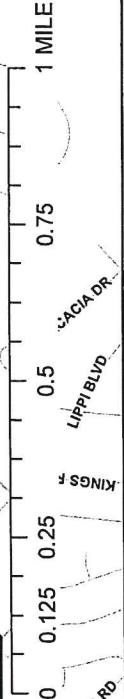


LEGEND

CULTURAL DISTRICTS

Oil Center Cultural District: R-022-2016

Proposed Expansion





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Lafayette Consolidated Government
Chief Administrative Officer

Internal Memorandum

Community Development and Planning Department
Office of the Director (9010)

TO: Cydra Wingerter **DATE:** January 28, 2022

FROM: Mary Sliman, Director

SUBJ: ***OIL CENTER CULTURAL DISTRICT BOUNDARY EXPANSION***
RESOLUTION REQUIRED TO APPLY TO LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE RECREATION AND TOURISM
LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION – FEBRUARY 15, 2022

Enclosed for your review and consideration is a proposed resolution by the Lafayette City Council authorizing an application be sent to the Louisiana Department of Culture Recreation and Tourism to expand the boundary of the Oil Center Cultural District. The expanded boundary includes several Midcentury commercial buildings that are located in the first block along the east side of West Pinhook Road generally between North Demanade Boulevard and Teche Drive.

Please find enclosed the following:

1. Council Submittal Form;
2. Resolution;
3. Oil Center Cultural District Map – Exhibit A

If all is in order, please submit for final adoption on the February 15, 2022 City Council agenda.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Mary M. Sliman'.

Mary Sliman, Director
Community Development and Planning Department

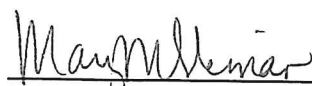
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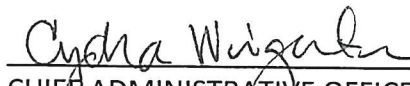
LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

C D & P AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL FORM

- 1) **JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:** This is a request for the adoption of a resolution that would approve Community Development and Planning Department to submit an application to the Louisiana Culture, Recreation and Tourism Department, Office of Cultural Development to expand the boundary of the Oil Center Cultural District.
- 2) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Approve adoption of the attached resolution to submit an application to the State for an expansion of the Oil Center Cultural District as shown on attached Map - Exhibit A.
- 3) **REQUEST ACTION OF COUNCIL:**
FINAL ADOPTION: February 15, 2022
- 4) **DOCUMENTATION INCLUDED WITH THIS REQUEST:**
- A. Cover Memo from Director (1 page)
 - B. Agenda Item Submittal Form (1 page)
 - C. Resolution (3 pages)
 - D. Map - Exhibit A (1 page)
- 5) **FISCAL IMPACT:**
- Fiscal Impact (will be detailed in Cost-Revenue Analysis)
- No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDED BY:

MARY SLIMAN, DIRECTOR

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

