

Property that is in unincorporated St. Tammany Parish and near the City of Slidell can petition to be annexed into Slidell's corporate limits.

### How do I find out if my property is already in Slidell?

Contact the Planning Department with the address of your property. If your property does not have an address, provide the lot number and subdivision name, nearest cross streets, or other physical identifying information.

You cannot rely on your mailing address to know if your property is in the City, as there are properties with a Slidell mailing address that are not in the City of Slidell.

#### What would it mean for my property to be in the city?

Property that is located in the City of Slidell has access to all the services provided by the City, including police protection, garbage and recycle collection, and water and sewer service. Some of these services require payment of a monthly fee.

Any property that is within 300 feet of a City water or sewer line must connect to those lines when the property is developed or when the property's existing water or sewer service is modified. Any property establishing a new connection to the City's water or sewer must pay the cost to connect to those services, which will include tap fees and may include the cost to extend private or public service lines.

Properties located in the city pay annual property tax to the City and are governed by the City's ordinances, including its zoning ordinance.

You mentioned zoning...

Property that is annexed into the city must be assigned a City zoning district. Additionally, the St. Tammany Parish Council is asked whether it concurs with the proposed annexation, and this concurrence may be based on the proposed City zoning district.

Therefore, when a property is petitioned to be annexed into the city, it must also be petitioned for a zoning district. This is a separate application (for a Zoning Map Amendment) that is processed at the same time.

# My property is not in the City of Slidell. Can I petition for it to be annexed?

Please consult with a planner to discuss whether your property can be annexed. In general, a property should be adjacent to the city's limits. However, there are situations where a property can be located across a street from the city's limits or otherwise not adjacent.

#### How do I apply for my property to be annexed?

Consult with a planner and complete a Petition for Annexation. There is no application fee but you must pay for advertising.

Once a complete application is received, the Planning Department will forward it to the Parish for their concurrence. The City must receive the Parish's decision before the City Council can decide on the annexation.

The Planning Department will review the application and make a technical recommendation. The annexation petition will go to at least two meetings of the Planning Commission – first to be introduced and then for a public hearing. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation, then the City Council will hold a public hearing and make a decision. The process generally takes at least three months from the time a complete annexation petition, with attachments, is received by the Planning Department.

How would I know if a property near me is proposed to be annexed?

All annexation petitions must be advertised. At least one sign will be posted on the property and a notice will be published in the St. Tammany Farmer.

I want to show my support or opposition to a proposed annexation. How do I do that?

- You may send your comments to the Planning Commission via email, fax, or mail; care of the Planning Department.
- You may attend the Planning Commission's public hearing for the proposed annexation; go to myslidell.com/planning/planning-and-zoning for information about Planning Commission meetings.
- You may contact a City Council member or attend the City Council's public hearing on the proposed annexation.

My annexation petition was approved! Now what?

Please notify your Telephone Company and Alarm Company that you are now in the city limits of Slidell. Failure to notify may affect response time by the Slidell Police Department.

# Contact Information for Required Attachments to Petition for Annexation

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