



City of Slidell, Louisiana  
**Zoning Commission**  
Agenda

March 18, 2024 immediately after Planning Commission at 7:00pm  
Council Chambers, 2045 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Slidell, LA  
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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Minutes.** Approve minutes from February 19, 2024
3. **Consent Calendar.** This item will be scheduled for a public hearing on April 15, 2024.
  - a. **Z24-03:** A request to amend the zoning map for property located at 1973 Bayou Lane; identified as a certain lot of ground in Section 1 of the Town of Slidell containing 0.426 acres; from A-8 High Density Urban to C-2W Waterfront Mixed Use.
4. **Public Hearing**
  - a. **Z24-02:** A request to establish the zoning classification of C-4 Highway Commercial of property containing 1.2 acres petitioned for annexation (A24-02), located at 1530 Shortcut Hwy along the north right-of-way line, identified as a certain parcel (Parcel A), in Section 11, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, by Solid Investments, LLC.
  - b. **T24-02:** A request to amend Appendix A, Part 2, Section 2.18 – C-4 highway Commercial, of the City of Slidell Code of Ordinances; correcting omissions and clarifying regulations related to the height overlay regulations and related matters.
5. **Other Business**
6. **General and Public Comments**
7. **Adjournment**

*The next Zoning Commission meeting will be April 15, 2024.*



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Minutes

February 19, 2024 immediately after Planning Commission at 7:00pm  
Council Chambers, 2045 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Slidell, LA

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** Meeting called to order by Chairperson Hilts at 7:27 p.m.

**Commissioners Present**

Richard Reardon, Chair  
Landon Washington, Vice Chair  
Sandy Hicks  
Michael Newton  
Eric Shives

**Commissioners Not Present**

Gayle Green

**Staff Present**

Danny McElmurray, Planning Director  
Erica Smith, Planning Secretary  
Evelyn Campo, Desire Line

2. **Minutes.** Motion by Commissioner Hicks to approve minutes of January 22, 2024 as written; Vice Chair Washington seconded. A vote of 5 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN approved the minutes.

3. **Consent Calendar**

- a. **Z24-02:** A request to establish the zoning classification of C-4 Highway Commercial of property containing 1.2 acres petitioned for annexation (A24-02), located at 1530 Shortcut Hwy along the north right-of-way line, identified as a certain parcel (Parcel A), in Section 11, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, by Solid Investments, LLC
- b. **T24-02:** A request to amend Appendix A, Part 2, Section 2.18 – C-4 highway Commercial, of the City of Slidell Code of Ordinances; correcting omissions and clarifying regulations related to the height overlay regulations and related matters.
- c. **T24-03:** A request to amend Appendix B, Part 3, Section 3.205 of the City of Slidell Code of Ordinances, relating to setbacks and screening requirements for residential generators and HVAC units, and related matters.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, with a second by Vice Chair Washington. Motion passed by a vote of 5 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN. These items will be on Public Hearing on March 18, 2024.

4. **Public Hearing**

- a. **Z24-01:** A request to establish the zoning classification as C-4 Highway Commercial of property containing 1.004 acres petitioned for annexation (A24-01), located on the west right-of-way line of East I-10 Service Road (previous Robert Street), identified as Lot 2A, Square 9, Lindberg Glen Subdivision, by BMA, LLC.

Introduced by Chair Reardon. Director McElmurray briefly addressed the Commission, explaining that this is the Zoning for the Annexation that was approved during the Planning Commission meeting. No one from the public wished to speak. Commissioner Shives made a motion to approve and forward to City Council. This was seconded by Vice Chair Washington. **A vote of 5 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN approved Z24-01 for consideration by City Council.**

- b. **T23-02:** A request by Administration to update Tree Preservation, Landscape, and Public Tree Management regulations to reflect best practices and industry standards, to improve application development and review, and streamline code interpretation and administration.

Introduced by Chair Reardon. Director McElmurray addressed the Commission, highlighting some changes that were made from the original draft. Evelyn Campo of Desire Line gave a slideshow presentation and was available to answer questions by the Commission. Commissioner Shives made a motion to approve and forward to City Council. Commissioner Newton seconded. **A vote of 5 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN approved T23-02 for consideration by City Council.**

- c. **T23-03:** A request by the Administration to update Multi-Family Housing Regulations with a comprehensive update that improves code navigation, enforcement, interpretation, and administration.

Introduced by Chair Reardon. Director McElmurray addressed the Commission, and went over changes made since the original draft, as well as answered questions by the Commission. Commissioner Shives made a motion to approve and forward to City Council. Commissioner Newton seconded. **A vote of 5 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN approved T23-03 for consideration by City Council.**

5. **Other Business**

Director McElmurray informed the Commission that Principal Engineering of Mandeville, LA has been chosen as the consultant for the Stormwater Management Plan. The plan will be conducted over the next year. Representatives from Principal Engineering may be attending future meetings to give updates on the progress of the plan. Public meetings will also be held, in which the Commission will be asked to attend.

6. **General and Public Comments.** There were none.

7. **Adjournment.** Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m. on a motion by Vice Chair Washington, seconded by Commissioner Hicks, and a vote of 5 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN.

**Location:** 1530 Shortcut Hwy (**Figure 1**)

**Petitioner(s):** Solid Investments, LLC, through Donald Ducote and Anthony Cartaginense, Non-resident property owners

**Zoning:** Parish NC-1 – Professional Offices

**Future Land Use:** Commercial

**Requests:** Annex and establish City zoning classification as C-4 Highway Commercial

**Parish Concurrence:** Not needed

**Planning & Zoning Commissions**

**Consent Agenda:** February 19, 2024

**Public Hearing:** March 18, 2024

**City Council (tentative)**

**Consent Agenda:** March 26, 2024

**Public Hearing:** April 9, 2024



Figure 1. Location map and City zoning

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Planning Department  
Approval

Planning & Zoning Commissions  
To be determined

## CURRENT CONDITIONS

1. The petitioned property contains 1.24 acres and is vacant land (**Figures 2 and 3**).
2. The petitioned property has:
  - No registered voters (Certificate of Registrar of Voters dated November 28, 2023);
  - No resident property owners; and
  - Two non-resident property owners, all of which signed the Annexation Petition (Certificate of Ownership and Assessed Valuation dated November 20, 2023).
3. The petitioned property is contiguous with the City's corporate limits by 100%.
4. For the purpose of the Sales Tax Enhancement Plan, the property is undeveloped commercial or non-commercial that is more than 90% surrounded by the City. The Parish does not need to concur in the annexation.

5. City water is available at the southeast corner of the subject property. The city sewer is located within a utility servitude located at the front of the subject property (**Figure 4**). Applicants understand any development of the property will be required to connect to City water and sewer.
6. The property is currently in an X flood zone. The approximate ground elevation at the site is 11.6 feet. Development of this property should not have a negative impact on the City's community ratings if developed meeting the City's ordinances.

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## FINDINGS

7. The subject property is zoned by the Parish as NC-1 Professional Offices (**Figure 5**). The applicants propose to establish City zoning as C-4 Highway Commercial.
8. The subject property is located on a major roadway (US Highway) – Shortcut Highway (US-190 Business).
9. Nearby properties on Shortcut Hwy are zoned Parish NC-1 and NC-4 Neighborhood Institutional, and City C-4, C-2 Neighborhood Commercial, and C-1A Fremaux Ave/Shortcut Hwy District (Figures 1 and 4).
10. C-4 allows similar uses as NC-1; it does allow more intense uses.
11. C-4 is appropriate for this location because of its location on a major commercial arterial corridor, proximity to other properties with the same or similar commercial zoning, and anticipated commercial corridor zoning map adjustments currently in progress as part of the Unified Development Code updates to the Municipal Code and zoning regulations.
12. The Planning Department finds the annexation is reasonable for the following reasons:
  - Allows for better configuration of municipal boundaries by absorption of isolated parish parcel.
  - Improves safety protocols and provisions for residents and visitors.
  - Continues to solidify the urbanized character of the corridor.
  - Supported by the City's Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map, see **Figure 6**.

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## RECOMMENDATION

13. The Planning Department finds the annexation and zoning map amendment requests meet applicable requirements and are appropriate.

**FIGURES**

Figure 1 – Location and City Zoning



Figure 2 – Street View (March 2023)



Figure 3 – Survey (Wetlands)

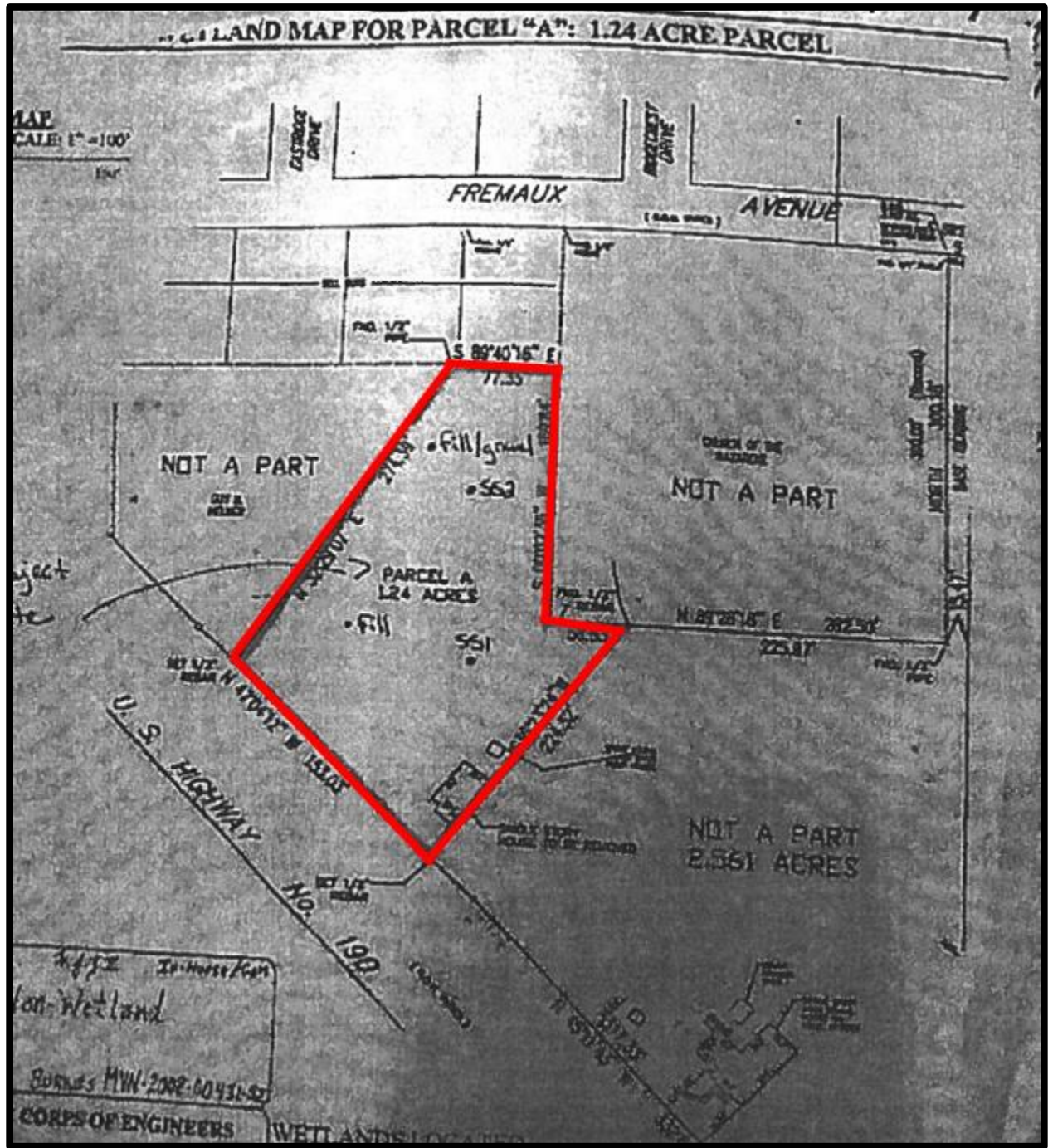




Figure 4 – City Utilities

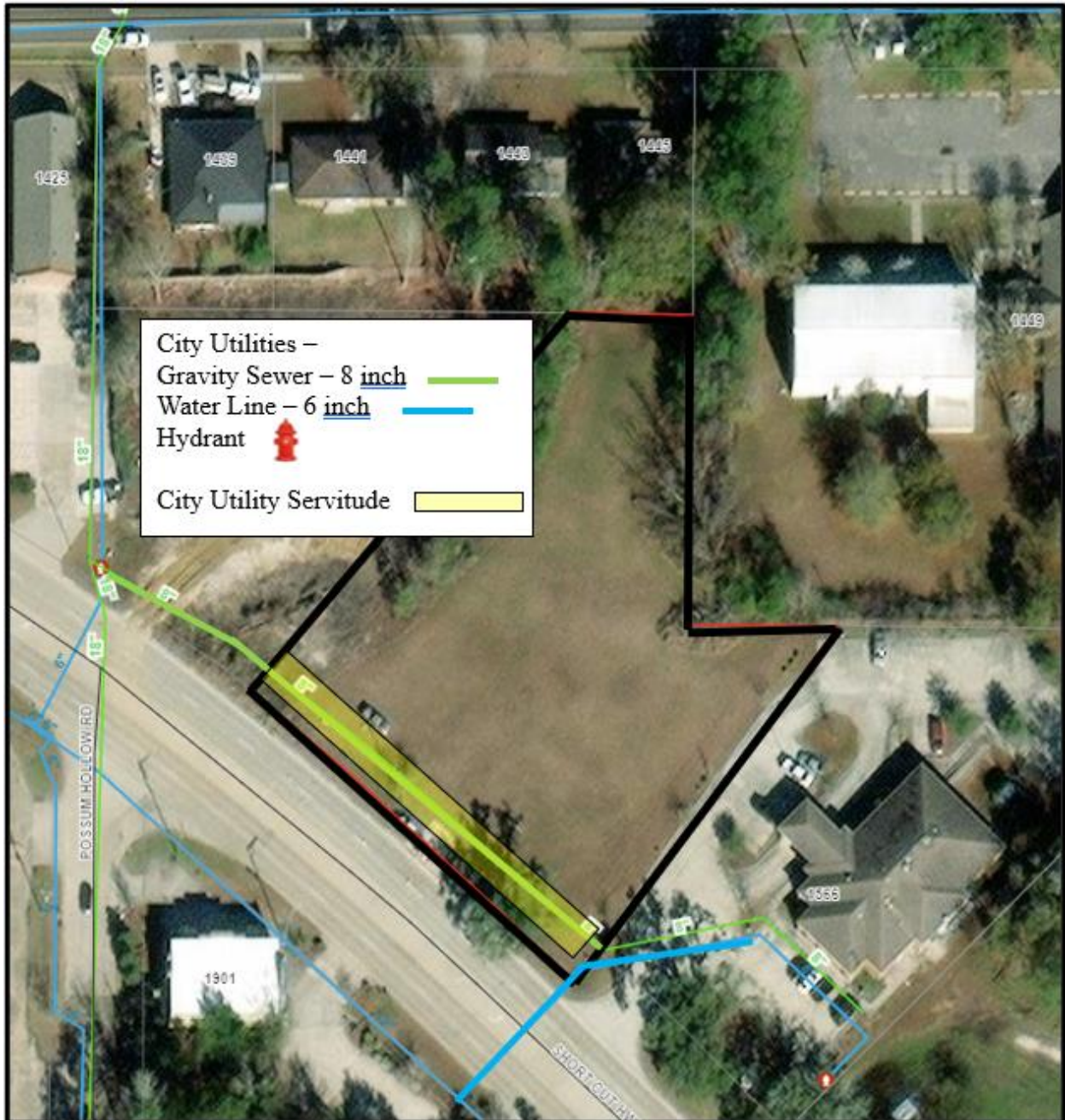
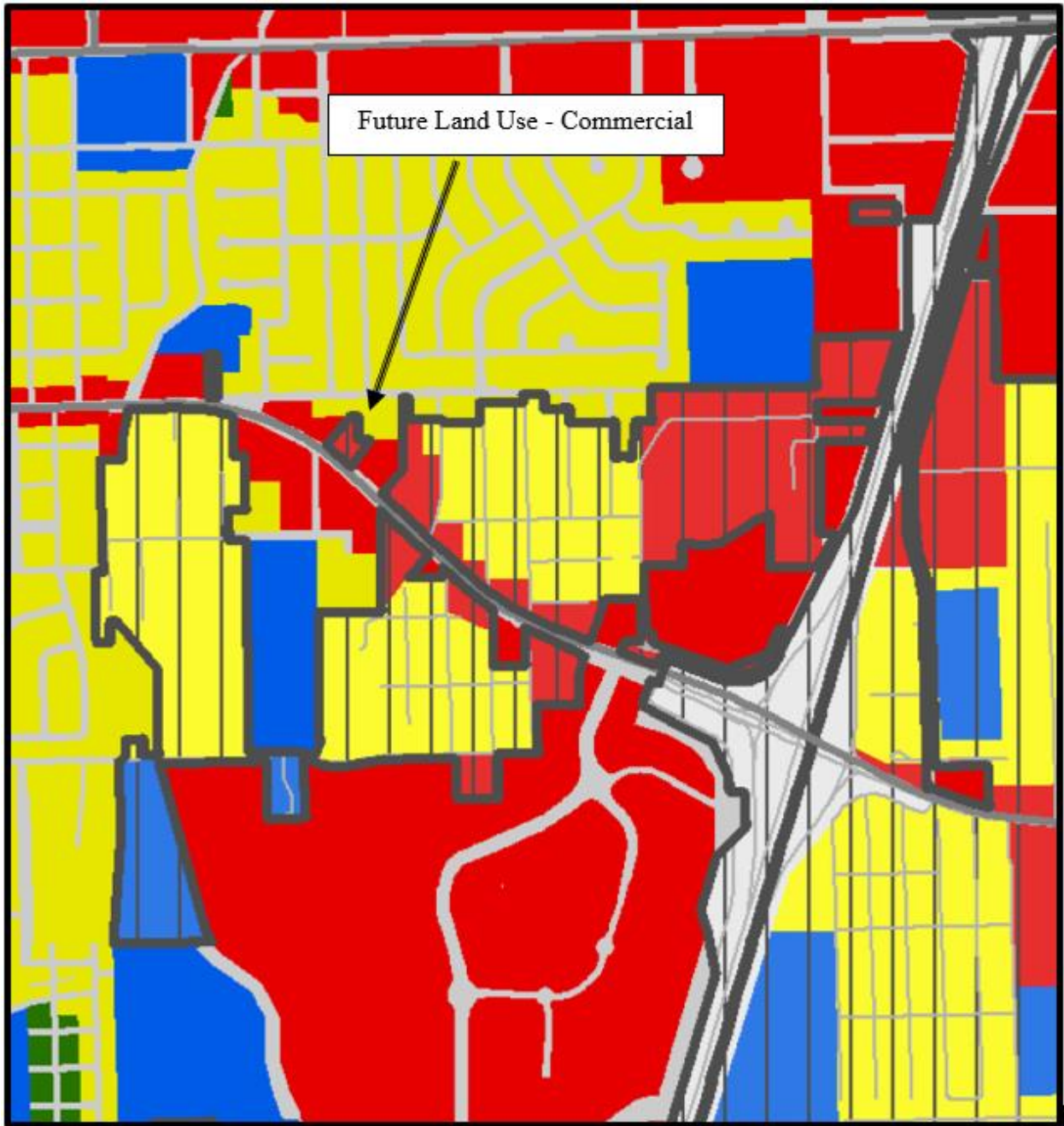


Figure 5 – St Tammany Parish Zoning



Figure 6 – Future Land Use – Commercial (2040 Comp Plan)



1 Introduced \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilperson  
2 \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson  
3 \_\_\_\_\_, (by request of Administration)  
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7 **ORDINANCE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_  
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9 An ordinance amending the City of Slidell Code of Ordinances, Appendix A -  
10 Zoning, Part 2, Schedule of District Regulations Adopted, Section 2. Section 2.18.  
11 - C-4 Highway Commercial, Subsection 2.1803 Height regulations, and Section  
12 2.18A. - C-6 regional shopping center district, Subsection 2.18A03, to update the  
13 map showing the *Height Overlay Districts*.  
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15 WHEREAS, the City of Slidell established Height Overlay Districts to permit a  
16 maximum structure height of 75 feet in applicable commercial corridors and areas along  
17 Interstates 10 and 12; and

18 WHEREAS, there is a need to provide uniformity in the Height Overlay District and  
19 clarity in the ongoing development process for the City's commercial areas to eliminate  
20 unnecessary difficulties for local businesses wishing to locate or redevelop a site in the  
21 city and for city departments managing new development; and

22 WHEREAS, the annexation and rezoning of parcels into the C-4 Highway  
23 Commercial and C-6 zoning districts in these corridors did not consistently and explicitly  
24 include these parcels into the surrounding Height Overlay Districts; and

25 WHEREAS, certain parcels were incorporated into the surrounding Height Overlay  
26 Districts without having an applicable commercial zoning classification; and

27 WHEREAS, the application of additional height to a project may require additional  
28 setbacks and buffering to minimize potential negative impacts to adjacent residential  
29 areas; and

30 WHEREAS, the following parcels identified by their St. Tammany Parish Tax  
31 Assessment number are to be removed from the Height Overlay Districts Map, including:  
32 91483, 92946, 103610, 137975, 137976; and,



1 **Section 2.18A. - C-6 regional shopping center district.**

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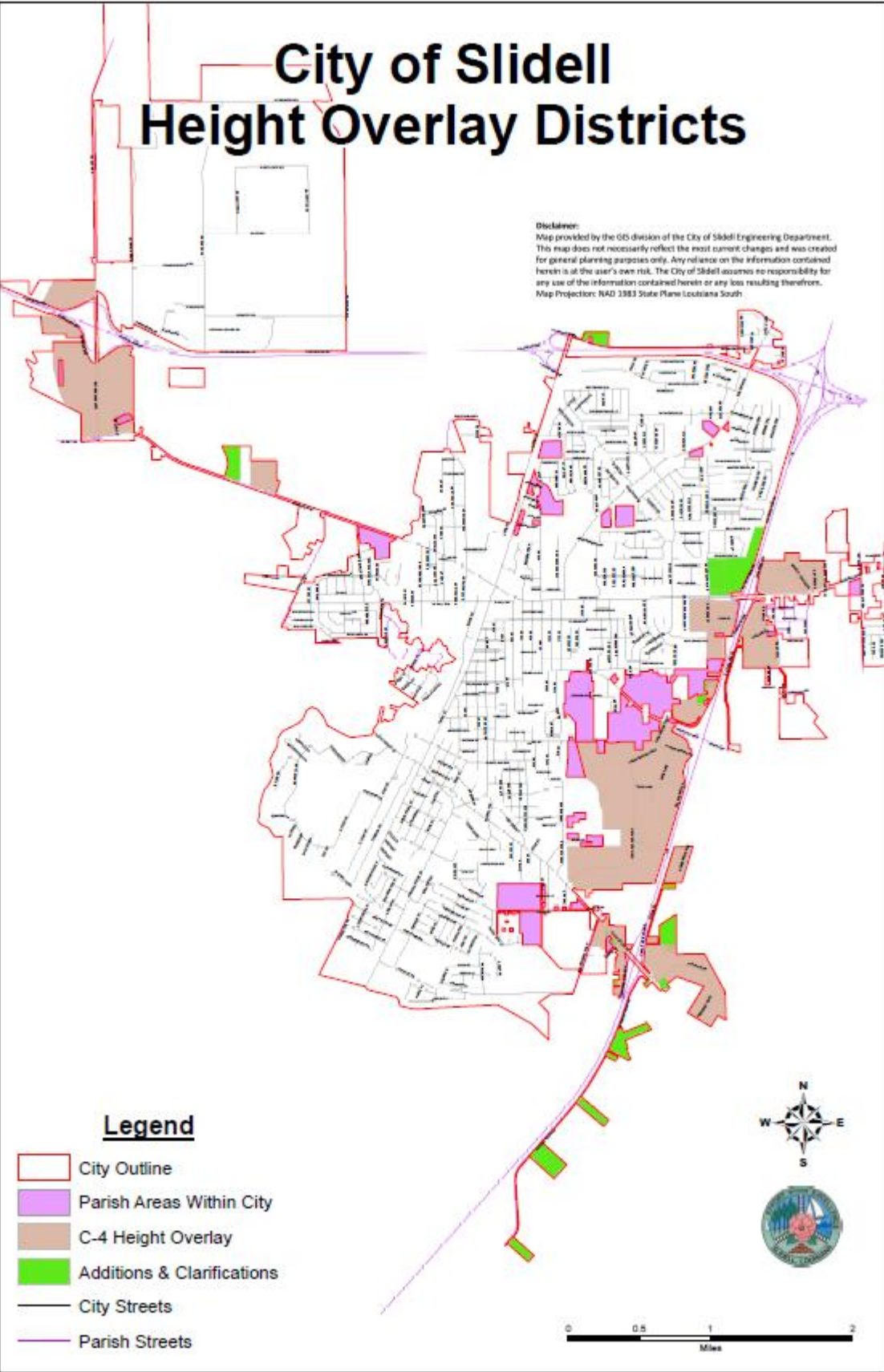
3 2.18A03

4 Height regulations in the C-6 district are: No building or structure shall exceed 60 feet in  
5 height except as included by ordinance in a Height Overlay District as provided for in  
6 Section 2.1803.

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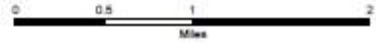
# City of Slidell Height Overlay Districts

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Map Projection: NAD 1983 State Plane Louisiana South



## Legend

-  City Outline
-  Parish Areas Within City
-  C-4 Height Overlay
-  Additions & Clarifications
-  City Streets
-  Parish Streets



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**ADOPTED** this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Kenny Tamborella  
President of the Council  
Council District E

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Greg Cromer  
Mayor

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Thomas P. Reeves  
Council Administrator