Introduced August 14, 2012, by Councilwoman Harbison, seconded by Councilman Hicks, (by request of Administration)

Item No. 12-08-2957

ORDINANCE NO. 3663

An ordinance creating the "Camellia Square Economic Development District, State of Louisiana;" defining the boundaries thereof from which area local sales tax and hotel occupancy tax increments will be determined and used to finance economic development projects in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing.

WHEREAS, Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9038.31, et seq.) (the "Act") authorizes municipalities, parishes and certain other local governmental subdivisions to create economic development districts to carry out the purposes of the Act, which economic development districts are political subdivisions of the State of Louisiana and possess such power and authority and have such duties as provided by the Act and other law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), acting through this City Council as its governing authority, desires to avail itself of the Act to create an economic development district to be called the "Camellia Square Economic Development District, State of Louisiana" (the "District"), in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.32, from which District local and State sales tax increments and local hotel occupancy tax increments are expected to be determined and used to fund the Camellia Square Economic Development District Trust Fund; and

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WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9038.39 further permits such economic development districts to levy sales and use taxes and hotel occupancy taxes at a rate up to two percent (2%) for authorized purposes; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9038.34(O) provides that this governing authority may create a special trust fund for the furtherance of economic development projects, as defined in the Act, into which the incremental increases in such sales taxes and hotel occupancy taxes shall be deposited and loaned, granted, donated, or pledged in furtherance of economic development projects as defined in the Act; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Act, particularly La. R.S. 33:9038.32(B) and La. R.S. 33:9038.39, and Resolution No. R12-15 adopted on August 14, 2012, the City has given notice of its intention to create the District, and notice that it will hold a public hearing relative to the proposed creation of the District and the proposed levy of the sales and use tax and hotel occupancy tax therein, including a description of the boundaries of the District and containing a map showing the boundaries of the District, which notice has been published once a week for two weeks in the City's official journal, the first publication having appeared at least fourteen days before the public hearing mentioned therein; and

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WHEREAS, on this date, prior to the adoption of this ordinance, this governing authority did hold a public hearing pursuant to the aforesaid notice of intention, at which public hearing no objections were received with respect to the creation of the District or the levy of a one percent (1.00%) sales and use tax and a two percent (2.00%) hotel occupancy tax therein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. All of the above "Whereas" clauses are adopted as part of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. <u>Creation of District</u>. Under the authority of La. R.S. 33:9038.32 there is hereby created an economic development district within the City, to be named the "Camellia Square Economic Development District, State of Louisiana," having the geographical boundaries set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, which Exhibit A is hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Ordinance, all pursuant to the Act. As provided by the Act, the governing body of the District shall be this City Council. As provided by the Act, the District shall be a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana and shall possess such powers and authority and have such duties as provided in the Act and other law.

SECTION 3. <u>Creation of Trust Fund</u>. Under the authority of La. R.S. 33:9038.34(O), there is hereby created a special trust fund, to be named the "Camellia Square Economic Development District Trust Fund" (the "Trust Fund") the purpose of which will be to fund economic development projects selected by the District in the manner provided by the Act. The Trust Fund shall be established by the Director of Finance of the City and maintained as a separate fund, apart from other funds and accounts of the City or other entities, and shall be used strictly for the purposes set forth herein and in the Act.

SECTION 4. <u>Authorization of Officers</u>. The Mayor, President of the City Council and Council Administrator are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

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SECTION 5. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance, but this ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this ordinance which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this ordinance.

SECTION 6. <u>Repealer</u>. All ordinances or resolution, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. <u>Publication; Effective Date</u>. This ordinance shall be published one time in the official journal of the City, and, as provided by Section 2-11 of the Slidell City Charter, shall become effective upon approval by the Mayor.

I the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly adopted following a roll call vote:

YEAS: 8

NAYS: 1 (Abney)

ABSENT: 0

ADOPTED this 12th day of September, 2012.

Kim/Harbison

President of the Council

Councilwoman-at-Large

Freddy Drennan

Mayor

Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator

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Delivered to the Mayor on S	14, 2012, at 9:20 am.
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APPROVED:

Freddy Drennan

Mayor

Returned to the Council Administrator on Sept. 18, 2012, at 1.15 p.m...

Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator

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EXHIBIT A to Creation Ordinance

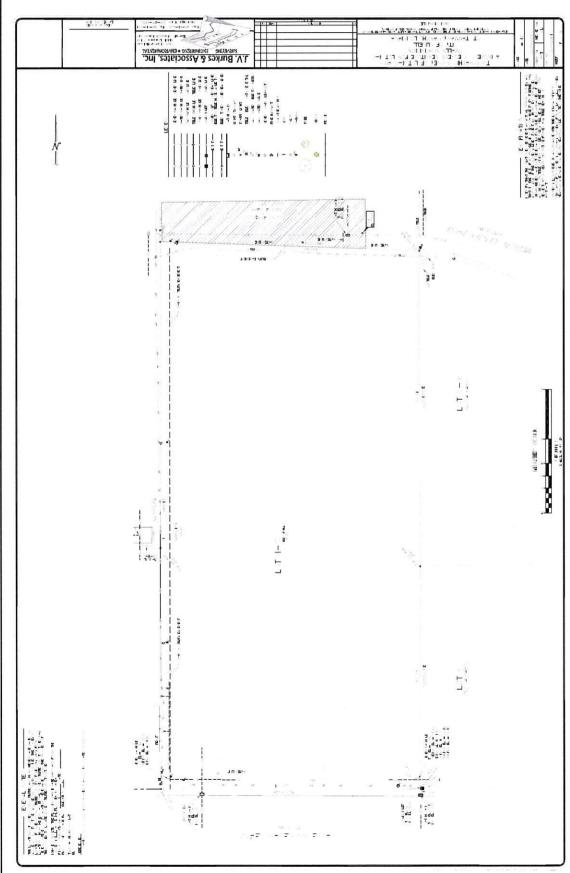
BOUNDARIES AND MAP OF PROPOSED CAMELLIA SQUARE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PORTION OF LAND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in Section 1, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, designated as LOT 4-C, SMALL'S SUBDIVISION, City of Slidell, consisting of 8.4874 acres on a plan of resubdivision of the former Lots 4-A-1 and 4-B-1 prepared by J. V. Burkes III, Registered Land Surveyor, dated May 24, 2000, last revised August 4, 2000, a copy of which is recorded in the official records of St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana, State of Louisiana at Map File No. 1857, and according to said survey the said tract or parcel of land is described as follows:

From the section corner common to Sections 1 and 12, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, and Sections 6 and 7, Township 9 South, Range 15 East of said Parish, go North 00 degrees 01 minute, 00 seconds West 50.0 feet to a point; thence go North 50.0 feet to a point; thence go North 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds West 2,657.20 feet to a point on the northerly right-of-way of Gause Boulevard East, also the point of beginning.

Thence go North 00 degrees 01 minute 00 seconds West 885.43 feet to a point; thence go South 88 degrees 00 minutes 09 seconds East 420.92 feet to a point; thence go South 00 degrees 04 minutes 55 seconds East 510.04 feet to a point; thence go South 00 degrees 05 minutes 03 seconds East 360.23 feet to a point on the northerly right-of-way of Gause Boulevard East; thence go South 89 degrees 56 minutes 00 seconds West 421.67 feet along said northerly right-of-way of Gause Boulevard East to the point of beginning.

[MAP ON FOLLOWING PAGE]



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STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY

I, the undersigned Council Administrator of City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "City"), do hereby certify that the foregoing seven (7) pages constitute a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the governing authority of the City on September 12, 2012, creating the "Camellia Square Economic Development District, State of Louisiana;" defining the boundaries thereof from which area local sales tax and hotel occupancy tax increments will be determined and used to finance economic development projects in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature and the impress of the official seal of the City on this the 12th day of September, 2012.

(SEAL)

Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator



Slidell City Council

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September 18, 2012

Mrs. Becky Darby Adams and Reese LLP 701 Poydras St., Suite 4500 New Orleans, LA 70139

Re: Ordinance No. 3663

Dear Becky:

Enclosed is a signed copy of Ordinance No. 3663, an ordinance creating Camellia Square Economic Development District. Also are 5 signed certificates.

The Ordinance will be published on Friday, September 21, 2012 in the St. Tammany Newspaper. I have asked for a copy of the tear sheet and affidavit to be sent to your office.

Should you need anything else, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

TPR/mm Enclosure