



City of Slidell, Louisiana
Zoning Commission
Minutes

June 15, 2020 immediately after Planning Commission at 7:00pm
Council Chambers, 2045 2nd St, Slidell, LA

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** Meeting called to order by Chairperson Hilts at 7:06 p.m.

Commissioners Present

Mary Lou Hilts, Chairperson
Richard Reardon, Vice
Chairperson
Michael Newton (7:10pm)
Landon Washington
Joseph Binder
Timothy Rogers

Commissioners Not Present

Gayle Green

Others Present

Melissa Guilbeau, Planning
Director
Theresa B. Alexander,
Commission Secretary

2. **Minutes.** Chairperson Hilts introduced the minutes from the May 18, 2020 meeting and asked the Commission if there were any questions or comments. There being none, Chairperson Hilts asked for a motion. Mr. Binder made a motion to approve the minutes as written which was seconded by Mr. Reardon. Motion passed by a vote of 6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN, 1 ABSENT.

3. **Consent Calendar.** No items.

4. **Public Hearing**

Deferred from May 18, 2020

- a. **Zoning Text Amendment (T20-03):** A request to amend the text of Appendix A *Zoning* of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell to allow car washes in neighborhood commercial areas and other related matters.

Chairperson Hilts introduced the text amendment and opened the public hearing. With no one from the public wishing to speak, Chairperson Hilts closed the public hearing and asked the Commission if there were any questions.

Mr. Reardon stated his concern about car washes abutting residential areas and proposed additional noise buffering either through additional landscaping, such as taller trees and a minimum 8 foot fence, or requiring building materials that are more soundproof. Mr. Reardon also offered that limiting the square footage of the facility would limit noise produced by the facility. Mr. Washington stated his concern was the traffic that would be associated with a car wash facility and that he would want a requirement for a traffic impact study of the car wash.

Mr. Binder made a motion to recommend denial of T20-03 which was seconded by Mr. Reardon and passed by a vote of 4 YAYS, 2 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN, 1 ABSENT.

5. **Other Business.** None.

6. **Adjournment.** Mr. Reardon made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Binder and passed by vote of 6 YAYS, 0 NEYS, 0 ABSTAIN, 1 ABSENT. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.