



City of Slidell, Louisiana

Olde Towne Preservation District Commission

Agenda

December 14, 2022 at 5:00pm -**Postponed to December 21, 2022 at 5:00pm**

Planning Dept. Conference Room, 250 Bouscaren St, Suite 203 Slidell, LA

Agenda packet available at myslidell.com/planning/boards/otpdc

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Minutes.** Review and approve minutes from November 9, 2022
3. **Public Hearings**
 - a. **CA22-49:** A request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior alterations to a historically contributing structure at 425 Teddy Ave, by Janet Bowman.
4. **Other Business**
5. **Informational Items**
 - a. Educational Opportunity
6. **General and Public Comments**
7. **Adjournment**

The next Olde Towne Preservation District Commission meeting will be January 11, 2023.



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Olde Towne Preservation District Commission Minutes

November 9, 2022 at 5:00 pm

Council Chambers, 2045 2nd St, Slidell, LA

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** Meeting called to order by Chairperson Darby at 5:02 p.m.

Commissioners Present

Darren Darby, Chair
Dawn Crippin, Vice Chair
Michelle Cramer
Jessica Fawer

Commissioners Not Present

Sam Caruso, Jr

Staff Present

Theresa Alexander, Planner
Erica Smith, Planning Dept.
Eric Lundin, Desire Line

2. **Minutes.** Motion by Chairperson Darby to approve minutes of October 12, 2022 as written; Commissioner Crippin seconded. A vote of 4 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN approved the minutes.
3. **Public Hearings.** There were no public hearings
4. **Other Business**

- A. Recommendation to the City of Slidell City Council on proposed ordinance T22-03- An ordinance amending Appendix A - Zoning, Section -2.23 Sign Regulations of the City of Slidell Code of Ordinances; to delete and replace with new sign regulation.

After the Chairperson introduced the item Eric Lundin informed the Commission that the City Council public hearing had been pushed back to February and as a result the Preservation Commission could postpone making its recommendation to December.

There was consensus by Commissioners that they wanted to postpone making a recommendation until their December 14, 2022 meeting.

Chairperson Darby suggested Commissioners meet to work on their input before next meeting. The Commissioners agreed; Chairperson Darby said he would reach out and coordinate.

Commissioner Cramer made a motion to postpone making a recommendation to the December 14, 2022 meeting; Commissioner Darby seconded. A vote was taken, and with a vote of 4 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN the motion was approved.

- B. Recommendation to the City of Slidell City Council on proposed ordinance item T22-06. An ordinance amending Appendix A, Part 2, Section 2.1701A of the City of Slidell's Code of Ordinances to add "light manufacturing" as a Conditional Use in the C-3 Central Business District and clarify conditional use categories and requirements to improve interpretation.

Chairperson Darby introduced the agenda item.

Commissioners agreed that the language describing what constitutes "Light Manufacturing" was key and felt the language was good.

Eric Lundin asked if the Commissioners felt all applications for Light Manufacturing in the C-3 Central Business District should come before the Commission, even if they do not affect a contributing element. Commissioners agreed that this was not necessary unless a contributing element to the district was impacted and in this the Commission's determination of appropriateness should be based on actual building plans. The Commissioners felt they did not need to make a recommendation to the City Council on whether a proposed conditional use should be permitted.

Commissioner Cramer made a motion to recommend adoption of the proposed ordinance to the City Council; Commissioner Fawer seconded. A vote was taken and with the result of 4 YAYS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN the motion was approved.

C. Building Code and Historic Structures. Mr. Joe France, City of Slidell Chief Building Official, provided a :40 presentation, with questions and answers, on the interaction between the building code and historic buildings. Specific items covered included:

- Floodplain regulations and when nonconforming existing buildings must be mitigated; reviewed the rules for substantial damage/improvement. Mr. France informed the Commission that the City has set a higher standard of 45% for qualifying for substantial damage/improvement.
- Covered when historic glazing (window glass) can be reused and when it must be replaced by modern window glazing.
- Covered stairs and wall finishes.
- Emphasized that life safety was paramount and that an egress path and egress to public right-of-way during fire is critical.
- Discussed determining structural support for live and dead loads necessary to ensure building can be safely used.
- Covered change of use and its impact plans for rehabilitation.

5. Informational Items

- A. Eric Lundin informed the Preservation Commission that the Planning Commission would receive a presentation on the City's Waterfront Development Plan at their November 21, 2022 meeting. The meeting will be held at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers. Preservation Commissioners are welcome to attend.
- B. Eric Lundin informed the Commission that the State Historic Preservation Office had conducted their Certified Local Government recertification site visit on Thursday November 9, 2022. Initial indications are the City will be recertified.
- C. Eric Lundin mentioned the need to begin drafting a new Preservation Plan and reviewed some of the goals that Commission had successfully completed in last few years. The intent is to begin identifying goals and objectives at the December 14, 2022 meeting.

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

7. **Adjournment.** Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. There was no motion or votes as Commissioners Cramer and Fawer had to departed and the Commission lacked a quorum.