



City of St. George, Louisiana
Zoning Commission
Minutes

Monday, February 2, 2026 immediately after Planning Commission (starts at 6:00pm)
St. George Fire Department, 14100 Airline Hwy, St. George, LA 70817

1. Call to Order. Billy Aguiard called the meeting to order at 7:17pm.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present

Travis Thornton, Vice
Chair
Laurie Nelson Marien
Billy J. Aguiard, Chair
Jason McAllister
Bobby McKey

Others Present

Bryant Dixon, Planning Director
Melissa Guilbeau, Planning Consultant
Rachel Zhou, Senior Planner
Collin Lindrew, Senior Planner
Joann Nguyen, Planning Technician
Stephanie Phillips, Engineering Director
Mark Balkin, Counsel

Commissioners Absent

None

3. Minutes. Laurie Marien moved to approve the January 5, 2026 minutes; Travis Thornton seconded. Without objection, the minutes were approved.

4. Public Hearing

- a. **T-26-0001 & Z-26-0001 Zoning Districts:** Amend Title 7 Unified Development Code to establish new base zoning districts, update allowed uses and dimensional standards, and reorganize some sections; Rezone all property in the city to the new base zoning districts; and provide for related matters.

Melissa Guilbeau proposed changes to the text amendments and the zoning map, presented to the Commission in a handout dated February 2, 2026.

Chair Aguiard noted the proposed zoning map is available on the Planning and Zoning website.

Melissa Guilbeau explained that no revisions had been made to the map on the website and that the online map would be revised if the commission approves the revisions shown on the handout given to the Commissioners at the meeting.

Chair Aguiard opened the public hearing.

Monty McNutt asked for a brief explanation of the proposed change. Chair Aguiard directed him to the website or staff for details, stating that the hearing was not a question-and-answer session.

Michael McDowell noted that the map was only posted online today and expressed concern about rural and suburban overlay boundaries in the proposed ordinance.

Chair Aguiard asked staff when the map was published. Melissa Guilbeau clarified it had been publicly available since Wednesday, January 28, 2026 though a login issue occurred earlier in the day but has been resolved.

Chair Aguiard closed the public hearing.

Motion to recommend approval with proposed changes dated February 2, 2026:
Travis Thornton; seconded by Laurie Marien
All in favor, motion passed and T-26-0001 & Z-26-0001 were recommended for approval with proposed changes.

5. Other Business:

6. General and Public Comments: None

7. Adjournment. Travis Thornton moved to adjourn; Laurie Marien seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28pm.