



City of St. George, Louisiana

Zoning Commission Minutes

Monday, August 31, 2026 immediately after Planning Commission (starts at 6:00pm)
St. George City Hall, 11207 Proverbs Ave, St. George, LA 70816

1. Call to Order. Billy Aguillard called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present

Travis Thornton, Vice Chair
Laurie Nelson Marien
Billy J. Aguillard, Chair
Bobby McKey

Others Present

Rachel Zhou, Senior Planner
Collin Lindrew, Senior Planner
Maggie Smith, Planner
Joann Nguyen, Planning Technician
Mark Balkin, Planning Attorney

Commissioners Absent

Jason McAllister

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

4. Public Hearing

- a. **Z-26-0002 R1 to B1 at 15222 Perkins Rd:** This ±2.334-acre property is located on a portion of Lot 7.4 AC. of the Mildred L. Mangrum Curtis, 1/2 USUF located in Sec. 61, T8S, R2E, GLD. The applicant requests to rezone from R1 Residential-1 to B1 Business-1 Zoning District. (Applicant: Duane Mizell, D&T Rental Properties, LLC, on behalf of Mildred L. Mangrum Curtis, The Olen Dodd Curtis Testamentary Trust) (Deferred: 8/3/2026)

Chair Aguillard asked whether the applicant intended to defer the item; the applicant confirmed to defer to October 5, 2026 meeting.

Oppose comment, via email prior to the meeting: Louise Haydel, William Daigle, Elizabeth Kaiser, Dottie Territo, Jerry Harelson, Adam Harris (received 8/30/2026), Todd Joy, Donna & John Fraiche, Gina Sommers, Samuel Mistretta, Bill Dimattia, Jeff Dimattia, Monica Ezell, Peggy Daigle, Perry Franklin, Paula Jackson, Percy & Barbara Franklin, Lily Dimattia (8/31/2026)

Deferral comment, via email prior to the meeting: Kathryn Gerry (received 8/31/2026)

Motion to defer to October 5, 2026: Laurie Marien; seconded by Travis Thornton.

Motion passed and Z-26-0002 was deferred to October 5, 2026.

- b. **T-26-0008 Home Occupations:** Amend Title 7 Unified Development Code (UDC) to update regulations for home occupations and provide for related matters.

Chair Aguillard opened the public hearing. No one spoke.

Chair Aguillard closed the public hearing.

Motion to recommend approval: Laurie Marien; seconded by Travis Thornton.

All in favor, motion passed and T-26-0008 was recommended for approval.

Motion passed and T-26-0008 was recommended for approval.

- c. **T-26-0009 Significant Trees:** Amend Title 7 Unified Development Code (UDC) to prohibit removal of significant trees and provide for related matters.

Chair Aguillard opened the public hearing.

Scott Courtright recommended revisions to the tree ordinance, including clearer criteria for significant trees, arborist review, tree preservation requirements, and deferral of approval.

Michael McDowell raised concerns about the ordinance's impact on property rights and the criteria for removing significant trees from private property.

Chair Aguillard closed the public hearing.

Motion to defer to November 2, 2026: Laurie Marien; seconded by Travis Thornton.

Motion passed and T-26-0009 was deferred to November 2, 2026.

5. Other Business: None

6. General and Public Comments: None

7. Adjournment. Laurie Marien moved to adjourn; Travis Thornton seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 6:21pm.