

**OLD METAIRIE COMMISSION (OMC) MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING
December 7th, 2023 9:00 a.m.**

In Attendance

<u>Old Metairie Commission Members</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√	
David Webber, Vice-Chair	√	
Dr. Monica Monica		√
Peter Waring	√	
Adele Lafaye	√	

Planning Department

Brooke Tolbert, Assistant Director
Carrie MacKay, East Bank Supervisor
Ian Conrardy, Planner II

Others

Hanlon deVerges, Sr. Asst. Parish Attorney
Rick Hawkins, Dept. of Building Permits

Mr. McAlister, Chairman, introduced himself, other members of the Commission, and the Parish staff.

The Old Metairie Commission (OMC) conducted the December 7th, 2023 Public Hearing at the Joseph S. Yenni Building in the Council Chambers, located on the 2nd Floor, 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd., Jefferson, LA 70123. Mr. McAlister proceeded to the agenda and opened the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

OM-8-23 312 Friedrichs Ave., A request replace the driveway with a legislative exception to lot coverage requirements on Lot 14-A, Square 9, Friedrichsruhe Subdivision, Jefferson Parish, LA, bounded by Northline St., Stella St., and Avenue E, zoned R-1B Suburban Residential District/OMNCD Old Metairie Neighborhood Conservation District. (Council District 5)

Mr. Conrardy reported the findings of the case. The Planning Department recommends the following:

Denial for the following reasons:

- Although the lot is deficient in depth, there is still ample space on the site to meet the parking requirement while also meeting the lot coverage requirement.

- The request does not meet the requirements of Sec. 33-3.65.7.6 OMNCD Exceptions and Variances.

The Public Hearing was opened. One person spoke in favor; no one spoke in opposition.

Ms. Lafaye made a motion to recommend approval on OM-8-23 for replacing the existing driveway with a legislative exception to lot coverage requirements. Mr. Webber seconded the motion.

Ms. Tolbert called the roll on the motion:

<u>OMC Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√		
David Webber, Vice-Chair	√		
Dr. Monica Monica			√
Peter Waring	√		
Adele Lafaye	√		

The ayes have it by a vote of 4 to 0 With 1 absent. Motion approved.

Minutes

Mr. Waring made a motion to adopt/approve November 2nd, 2023 minutes. Seconded by Ms. Lafaye.

Ms. Tolbert called the roll on the motion:

<u>OMC Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√			
David Webber, Vice-Chair	√			
Dr. Monica Monica			√	
Peter Waring	√			
Adele Lafaye	√			

The ayes have it by a vote of 4 to 0, with 1 absent. Motion of adoption approved.

2024 Election of Officers

Ms. Lafaye made a motion to elect Mr. McAlister as Chair. Seconded by Mr. Waring.

Ms. Tolbert called the roll on the motion:

<u>OMC Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√			
David Webber, Vice-Chair	√			

<u>OMC Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Dr. Monica Monica			√	
Peter Waring	√			
Adele Lafaye	√			

The ayes have it by a vote of 4 to 0, with 1 absent. Motion of adoption approved.

Mr. McAlister made a motion to elect Mr. Waring as Vice-Chair. Seconded by Mr. Webber.

Ms. Tolbert called the roll on the motion:

<u>OMC Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√			
David Webber, Vice-Chair	√			
Dr. Monica Monica			√	
Peter Waring	√			
Adele Lafaye	√			

The ayes have it by a vote of 4 to 0, with 1 absent. Motion of adoption approved.

Adoption of 2024 OMC Meeting Schedule

Ms. Lafaye made a motion to adopt the 2024 OMC calendar. Mr. Waring seconded the motion.

Ms. Tolbert called the roll on the motion:

<u>OMC Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√			
David Webber, Vice-Chair	√			
Dr. Monica Monica			√	
Peter Waring	√			
Adele Lafaye	√			

The ayes have it by a vote of 4 to 0, with 1 absent. Motion of adoption approved.

Administrative Approvals & Follow-up of previous cases.

No administrative approvals.

Follow-up on previous cases:

- **OM-18-23 601 Northline St.**, A request to amend OM-35-21 to remove and replace a fence in the required corner side yard on Lot 2, Square K, Metairie Club Gardens Subdivision, bounded by Northline St, Woodvine Ave, Geranium St, and Iona St, zoned R-1D Rural Residential/OMNCD Old Metairie Neighborhood Conservation District. (Council District 5)
Planning: Approval
OMC: Approval 10/5/23
BZA: Approval 11/6/23
Council: TBD 12/6/23
- **OM-19-23 5 Wavertree Ct.**, A request to amend OM-3-22 to install a generator in the required rear yard on Part of Lot 5, Square B, Metairie Club Gardens Subdivision, Jefferson Parish, LA, bounded by Avenue E, Vincent Ave., and Northline St., zoned R-1C Rural Residential District/OMNCD Old Metairie Neighborhood Conservation District. (Council District 5)
Planning: Denial
OMC: Approval 9/7/23
BZA: Approval 11/20/23
Council: TBD 12/6/23
- **OM-24-23 416 Betz Pl**, A request to build a new single-family residence on Lot 6A, Sq. A, Betz Place Subdivision, Jefferson Parish, LA, bounded by Betz Pl, Geranium St, Hector Ave, and Duplessis St, zoned R-1B Suburban Residential/OMNCD Old Metairie Neighborhood Conservation District. (Council District 5)
Planning: Approval
OMC: Approval 11/2/23
BZA: N/A
Council: Approval 11/8/23
- **OM-27-23 5 Shadow Ln.**, A request to build a new single-family residence with a variance to the tree preservation requirements on Lot 5, Shadow Lane Subdivision, Jefferson Parish, bounded by Orpheum Ave, Fairview Ct, Friedrichs Ave, and Metairie Rd, zoned R-1B Suburban Residential/OMNCD Old Metairie Neighborhood Conservation District. (Council District 5)
Planning: Approval
OMC: Approval 11/2/23
BZA: N/A
Council: Approval 11/8/23

Mr. McAlister asked if there was any additional business to come before the commission.

No cases were set to appear at the January 4th, 2024 OMC meeting. Mr. Webber made a motion to cancel January 4th, 2024 OMC meeting. Mr. Waring seconded the motion.

Ms. Tolbert called the roll on the motion:

<u>OMC Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√		
David Webber, Vice-Chair	√		
Dr. Monica Monica			√
Peter Waring	√		
Adele Lafaye	√		

The ayes have it by a vote of 4 to 0 With 1 absent. Motion approved.

Mr. Webber made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Waring. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.