

VCPORA's Weekly Vieux - January 17, 2020

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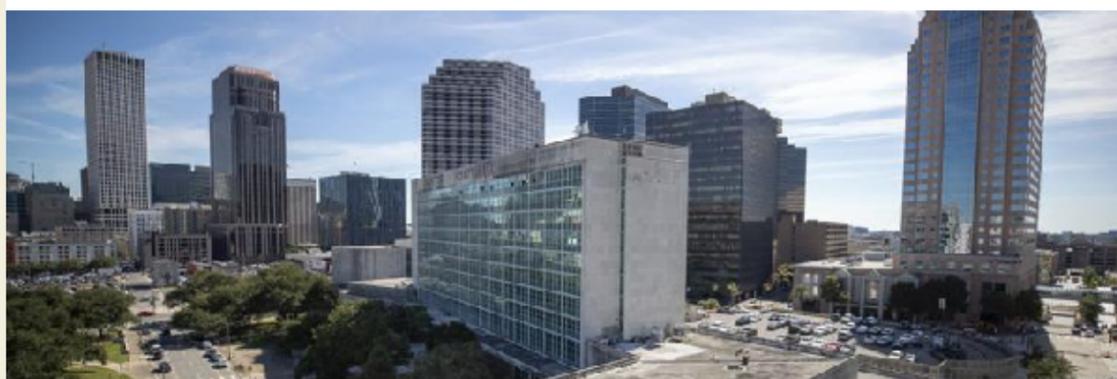
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Canal Street Demolition Hearings Deferred

At last week's Central Business District Historic District Landmarks Commission meeting, [the Commission voted to defer hearings](#) on the demolition of 1019-25, Canal, 1027 Canal, and 1022 Iberville at the request of the developer. Representatives from VCPORA, Preservation Resource Center, and Louisiana Landmarks Society called for more evidence demonstrating a need to demolish the adjacent buildings. "These demolition requests are premature given the lack of independent analysis," noted Erin Holmes, VCPORA Executive Director. The demolitions will now be heard at the February 5 CBD HDLC meeting.



Cyberattack Update

One month after a cyberattack on City Hall halted digital services, the City is coming back online. Partial service has been restored for several departments.

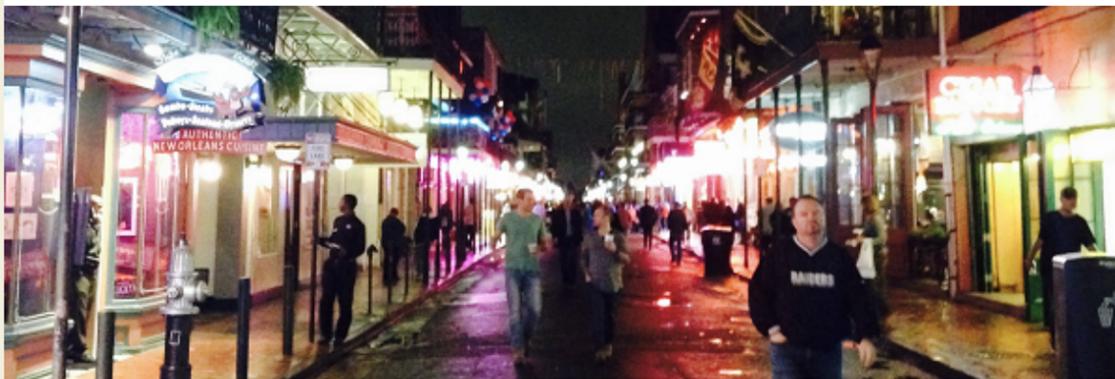
The Vieux Carré Commission is accepting permit applications in person with physical copies of all plans and specifications. Telephones are functioning. Call staff for status reports on pending applications and to schedule any necessary meetings or site visits. Staff does not have access to electronic calendars. The VCC can be contacted by phone at (504) 658-1420.

The City Planning Commission is accepting applications filed manually on paper. Review of new and pending applications may be delayed. Application inquiries and public comment may be directed to the CPC by email to cityplanningcommissionno@gmail.com or by phone at (504) 658-7033.

The Department of Safety and Permits will be scheduling inspections manually while services are down. The following phone numbers may be used Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to schedule inspections:

- Taxis, school buses and other ground transportation – (504) 658-7170
- Building inspections – (504) 658-7130
- Electrical inspections – (504) 658-7145
- Mechanical inspections – (504) 658-7153

Check the [the City's website](#) for continued updates on service restoration following the cyberattack.



Outdoor Live Entertainment Study

City Council directed the City Planning Commission to conduct a study on [Outdoor Live Entertainment regulations](#) yesterday. The motion calls for a comprehensive analysis of the City's existing definitions and use standards to determine what (if any) modifications are needed to reduce any unintended negative effects of outdoor live entertainment on the cultural and residential fabric of the city. The CPC will hold a public hearing within the next 60 days and has nine months to complete the study.

The Council also asked the CPC to study other cities across the country, including San Francisco, Seattle, Austin, and Nashville, all of which have developed and implemented policies on outdoor live entertainment. [Click here](#) for more information on the recent history of this issue, and stay tuned for more information.

COMMUNITY OFFICE HOURS

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Community Office Hours Resume

The Mayor's [Neighborhood Engagement Office](#) has announced the return of Community Office Hours effective Tuesday, January 21st, 2020. Bring your questions, comments, and concerns for City Hall employees to the Stallings St. Claude Recreation Center (4300 St. Avenue) Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. throughout the year. More information on Community Office Hours can be found in [this press release](#).

January 21, 27 and 29
February 4, 10, 12 and 18
March 3, 9, 11, 17, 23, 25 and 31
April 6, 8, 14, 20, 22 and 28
May 4, 6, 12, 18, 20 and 26



Property Tax Payment Deadline Extended

The City of New Orleans has extended the deadline for residents to pay their 2019 property taxes to February 14, 2020. Residents can [pay their property taxes online](#), in person at City Hall, or by mail using the address provided on the return envelope of the mailing received over the holidays. The City will also provide curbside drop-off service for property tax payments during normal City Hall hours (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.), February 12, 13, and 14 at [1300 Perdido Street](#). City Hall staff will be available to process check and money order payments only. Treasury is not accepting cash for property tax payments. More information can be found on [the City's website](#).

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