



May 4, 2026

Dear Neighbor,

On behalf of the property owners, Franciscan Poor Clares, of 700 Henry Clay, and the developer, Tony Gelderman, we are applying for a Planned Development for the adaptive reuse of the historic site and monastery into a multi-family development located at 700 Henry Clay. The property is located in the Historic Urban Two-Family Residential Zoning District, HU-RD2 District. For this historic site to be revitalized, the development includes the new construction of 2 additional buildings along with the renovation of the existing monastery. As stated, the property is in HU-RD2 which according to Table 11-1 in Article 11 Section 11.2, Dwelling, Multi-Family is not permitted nor conditional in HU-RD2. However, in accordance with Article 5 in the CZO, the Planned Development process can approve a use exception for multi-family in HU-RD2. Please see the concept plan on the back of this letter. This request must be heard by the City Planning Commission and City Council at public meetings.

As a nearby neighbor to 700 Henry Clay or someone with regards for the neighborhood, Zach Smith Consulting & Design's team would like to invite you to a meeting to discuss the Planned Development. During this meeting, you will learn more about our proposal and have time to ask questions or voice concerns regarding this request. You are welcome to send us any questions beforehand.

This letter is being delivered through U.S. Mail or email.

The meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 19th at 5:30pm at 720 Henry Clay, New Orleans, LA 70118 in the Monastery.

If you are unable to attend and would like to receive info about the meeting, please feel free to contact me. If you have any additional questions or comments, please reach me at my email address below and include "700 Henry Clay" in the subject line.

Sincerely,

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