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Faubourg Marigny Improvement Association files suit against the city challenging the new zoning ordinance.

The CZO is a repudiation of the Plan for the 21st Century which more than 5,000 citizens participated in creating. Also known as The Master Plan, it has the Force of Law, makes clear that Historic Preservation is the economic engine that drives our robust tourism industry and that participatory democracy is essential to our rebirth after the flood. The City Council and the Mayor have signaled they are not interested in participatory democracy by failing to act on and discounting that which citizens have overwhelmingly disagreed with.

There are many places in the Master Plan that state in a variety of ways, "Development must respect existing historic neighborhood character and scale." It is a travesty that the Mayor would support what has become a shell game in City Planning from before the flood, against the citizens, and a tragedy that City Council does not protect what New Orleanians across the city and the world hold most dear. Our only resort is Civil District Court.

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A 501(c)(3) Charitable Organization. Mission Statement: To protect, maintain and support Faubourg Marigny in the City of New Orleans and particularly that portion of it lying between the Mississippi river and St. Claude and between Esplanade Avenue and Press Street, including all buildings, improvements and properties adjoining said avenues and situated in the areas immediately adjacent to same; to promote the physical, cultural, architectural and historical values of said section and to secure adequate enforcement of all laws of the City of New Orleans and the State of Louisiana affecting or pertaining to it.

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