

ORDINANCE

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

CITY HALL: May 7, 2026

CALENDAR NO. 35,430

NO. _____ MAYOR COUNCIL SERIES

BY: COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS

AN ORDINANCE to establish a conditional use to permit a hotel in a CBD-5 Urban Core Neighborhood Lower Intensity Mixed-Use District and the Transient Lodging Interim Zoning District, on Square 161, Lots 1 and 2, in the First Municipal District, bounded by St. Joseph Street, Camp Street, Magazine Street, and Julia Street (Municipal Address: 527 St. Joseph Street); and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, Zoning Docket Number 29/26 was initiated by 527 St. Joseph, LLC and referred to the City Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission held a public hearing on this zoning petition and recommended approval of the requested conditional use in its report to the City Council dated March 23, 2026, presented in **Zoning Docket Number 29/26**; and

WHEREAS, the changes were deemed necessary and in the best interest of the City of New Orleans and the request was granted modified approval by the City Council, subject to two (2) provisos, as stated in Motion Number M-26-173 of the Council of the City of New Orleans on April 23, 2026.

1 **SECTION 1. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS HEREBY ORDAINS,**
2 That a conditional use to permit a hotel in a CBD-5 Urban Core Neighborhood Lower Intensity Mixed-Use
3 District and the Transient Lodging Interim Zoning District, on Square 161, Lots 1 and 2, in the First
4 Municipal District, bounded by St. Joseph Street, Camp Street, Magazine Street, and Julia Street (Municipal
5 Address: 527 St. Joseph Street); is hereby authorized and approved, subject to the following provisos, as
6 specifically set forth herein:

7 **PROVISOS:**

8 1. The approval of the application is limited to Transient Lodging Use, except for any type of short-
9 term rental, and any variances specifically granted as part of this application. With the exception
10 of any variances that are specifically granted as part of this approval, the Transient Lodging Use
11 shall be compliant with all relevant requirements of the zoning ordinance.

12 2. The Department of Safety and Permits shall issue no building permits or licenses for this project
13 until final development plans are approved by the City Planning Commission and recorded with
14 the Office of Conveyances. Failure to complete the conditional use process by properly recording
15 plans within a one-year time period or failure to request an administrative extension as provided
16 for in **Article 4, Section 4.3.H** of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance will void the conditional
17 use approval.

1 **SECTION 2.** Whoever does anything prohibited by this Ordinance or fails to do anything required
2 to be done by this Ordinance shall be subject to whatever civil liabilities, penalties, or remedies the law
3 prescribes.

1 **SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall have the legal force and effect of authorizing this conditional
2 use after: (1) all proviso(s) listed in Section 1, which impose a one-time obligation have been completely
3 fulfilled and complied with; and (2) all proviso(s) listed in Section 1, which impose a continuing or ongoing
4 obligation have begun to be fulfilled. Fulfillment of a continuing or ongoing obligation is based on the City
5 Planning Commission’s approval of the final site plan, which shall be submitted within one year of adoption
6 of this Ordinance by the City Council, unless extended as authorized by the Comprehensive Zoning
7 Ordinance. The Executive Director of the City Planning Commission shall verify that the development plan
8 incorporate all conditions set forth in this Ordinance and shall sign the plan to indicate final plan approval.
9 The final approved plan shall be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Civil District Court for the Parish of
10 Orleans, within 30 days of the date of final approval, and evidence of such recordation shall be submitted

11 to the City Planning Commission. No use or occupancy certificates or permits, other than the building
12 permits needed to fulfill the proviso(s), shall be issued until the final approved plan is recorded and evidence
13 of recordation is submitted to the City Planning Commission. If the development plan is not approved and
14 recorded, within the timeframes provided in the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, then this Ordinance
15 shall be null and void with no legal force or binding effect. Furthermore, if the requirements of Section
16 4.3.H.1 of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance are not satisfied within the timeframe allotted by Sections
17 4.3.H.1 and 4.3.H.2 of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, the conditional use will expire, and this
18 Ordinance will be null and void. The preceding deadlines may be extended via motion in accordance with
19 the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS _____

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

DELIVERED TO THE MAYOR ON _____

APPROVED:
DISAPPROVED: _____

MAYOR

RETURNED BY THE MAYOR ON _____ **AT** _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL

ROLL CALL VOTE:
YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
RECUSED:

MOTION
NO. M-26-173

CITY HALL: April 23, 2026

BY: COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS

SECONDED BY: COUNCILMEMBER KING

BE IT MOVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, that the City Planning Commission's report and recommendation of **approval subject to two (2) provisos**, related to **ZONING DOCKET 29/26**, initiated by 527 St. Joseph, LLC, requesting consideration of a conditional use to permit a hotel in a CBD-5 Urban Core Neighborhood Lower Intensity Mixed-Use District and the Transient Lodging Interim Zoning District, on Square 161, Lots 1 and 2, in the First Municipal District, bounded by St. Joseph Street, Camp Street, Magazine Street, and Julia Street (**Municipal Address: 527 Saint Joseph Street**), is hereby **APPROVED AND MODIFIED** as follows:

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BE IT FURTHER MOVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, that the Clerk of Council is directed to forward copies of this motion to the Law Department, which is directed to prepare an ordinance to effectuate this motion and is granted flexibility to make any changes necessary to achieve the will of the Council as set forth in this motion.

THE FOREGOING MOTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF, AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS: Green, Harris, Hughes, King, McCarron, Morrell, Willard

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.

THE FOREGOING IS CERTIFIED
TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY

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