

Property Owners Will Receive Notice of Tax Assessment Appeal Hearings by September 25th

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New Orleans, LA - September 17, 2008 - By September 25, 2008 Orleans Parish property owners who have timely appealed their property tax assessments will receive tax assessment appeal hearing dates via United States mail.

An appeal scheduling letter will be mailed to the mailing address provided in the appeal, and will include the time, date, and location of the hearing.

The hearing schedule will also be available on the City Council's website at www.nocitycouncil.com beginning Wednesday, September 24th.

This year the New Orleans Board of Review received 436 residential, commercial, vacant land, and personal property appeals.

To view a spreadsheet identifying all appeals received by the Board of Review <u>click here</u>. If the appeal you filed with your assessor does not appear on the spreadsheet, you are encouraged to contact your assessor to inquire about its status.

In anticipation of the appeal hearings, property owners should gather appraisals, pictures, and other information showing the condition and value of the appealed property.

If you have questions about your appeal that have not been addressed, contact Kerry Miller at kmiller@frilot.com (504-599-8194) or Kyle Spaulding at kspaulding@frilot.com (504-599-8249)

New Orleans City Council

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