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City of Slidell Forms New Motion Picture Advisory Committee

Thanks to tax incentives that lead the nation and designed to cut the costs of doing business in our state, Louisiana is quickly becoming the premier location for film and television production in the nation. In fact, just last year, the total economic impact for the film industry in St. Tammany Parish alone was \$1.5 million.

In an effort to boost the City of Slidell's economy by capitalizing on this growing interest of filming in Louisiana, Mayor Ben Morris has created a new Motion Picture Advisory Committee in Slidell.

“Our natural resources, historic downtown district, varied locations, and diverse architectural styles are among the reasons Slidell is the perfect locale for filming projects,” said Mayor Ben Morris. “This new committee made up of all departmental directors and local industry insiders will be able to offer full-service assistance for those who decide to bring their film project to our city.”

According to the mayor, the city is currently assembling a Filmmakers Directory, which will be available for download on the city's website in spring 2010. It will feature local accommodations, transportation and catering options, equipment rental companies, among others, and will be made available to industry officials.

For more information, contact the City of Slidell Chief of Staff's office at 985-646-4372.

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