Cajundome board member steps down

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Northside grocer Wallace Breaux made official his plans to leave the Cajundome board Wednesday, making him the first of the panel's original nine members to do so and paving the way for a replacement as early as next week.

Another northside businessman, and former School Board member, George Dupuis will be recommended to the City Council for appointment Tuesday, Councilman F.V. "Pappy" Landry told The Advertiser.

A 1983 appointee from Landry's district, Breaux explained in a letter to board chairman Bill Broadhurst that accelerated business interests keep him from continuing to meet board commitments.

His term on the board is to expire May 16.

Dupuis' appointment is being recommended for the five-year term that is to follow, a Council spokesman told The Advertiser.

Other Cajundome board members whose first terms have expired have sought and gotten five-year reappointments.

Breaux was not present at Wednesday's board meeting and was unavailable for comment later in the day.

He told The Advertiser in an unrelated conversation last week that his professional attention has recently turned to expansion plans at his store.

Breaux told Cajundome members in his letter he has also recently been named to a retailers' advertising committee that meets the same time and day of the month as the civic center group.

Currently serving on the Cajundome/Auditorium Management board with Broadhurst are vice chairman and financier Jerry Brents, Tourist Commission director Gerald Breaux, obstetrician/gynecologist Dr. Kenneth Brown, USL vice president Dr. James Caillier, public relations consultant Mario Mamalakis, automobile dealer Louis Mann and oil executive William Rucks III.