

PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES

Meeting Date
December 6, 2018

Members Present: Johnathan Barnes Member Absent: Dave Wood
 Tom Farr
 Laura Machala
 Don Stielow
 Byron Spencer

Also Present: Sara Copeland, Director of Community Development
 Mallory Brown, Staff Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Johnathan Barnes opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Farr moved to approve the Planning Commission Agenda of the meeting on December 6, 2018 and was seconded by Commissioner Machala. All said Aye. Motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 1, 2018

Commissioner Machala moved to approve the Planning Commission Minutes of November 1, 2018 and was seconded by Commissioner Spencer. All said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC HEARING – BACK PARKING LOT CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

Sara Copeland explained the procedure for Conditional Use Permit applications.

Commissioner Barnes opened the public hearing.

Richard Lanning, Northtown Devco., presented the application to the Commission and asked the Commission to approve the application.

David Back, Back Ventures LLC, discussed the plan to make a paid parking lot financially feasible.

Discussion ensued between the applicant and the commission ensued.

Edward Collins, Repeal 18th, expressed his approval of the Conditional Use Permit application and asked the Commission the approve it.

John Pace, 1825-1827 Buchanan, discussed the lack of parking in the area of 18th and Swift. He asked the commission to allow the parking lot.

Sara Copeland discussed the staff report and recommended denial of the Conditional Use Permit.

Commissioner Farr moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Mayor Stielow. All said aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Stielow moved to recommend approval of the Conditional Use Permit with conditions to the City Council. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Farr. The roll was called, and the vote as follows, Commissioner Farr – Yes, Mayor Stielow – Yes, Commissioner Barnes – Yes, Commissioner Machala – No, Commissioner Spencer – No. Motion passed.

5. PUBLIC HEARING – WIRELESS COMMUNICATION ZONING TEXT AMENDMENTS

Sara Copeland explained the procedure for zoning text amendments.

Sara Copeland discussed the staff report and recommended approval of the zoning text amendments at submitted.

Commissioner Barnes opened the public hearing and asked for public comments. Hearing none, Commissioner Farr moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Machala. All said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Farr moved to recommend approval of the zoning text amendments at presented to the City Council. Commissioner Machala seconded the motion. All said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

6. DISCUSSION OF ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE

Chris Brewster, Gould Evans, presented an update on the ongoing zoning ordinance update project.

7. DISCUSSION OF DRIVE THRU SIGNAGE

Sara Copeland presented some proposed sign ordinance changes concerning drive thru locations and asked the Planning Commission for their opinion on the proposed changes.

The Planning Commission was receptive to all proposed changes.

Sara Copeland expressed appreciation to the Planning Commission for their opinion and input.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

9. COMMENTS FROM STAFF

None.

10. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Barnes asked about economic development incentives for the parking lot property.

Sara Copeland explained that the City has a comprehensive economic development policy that is publicly known.

Richard Lanning, Northtown Devco, commented that he is aware of available incentives and that there just have not be any viable options for the parking lot property.

11. ADJORNMENT

As there was no further business, Commissioner Farr moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mayor Stielow. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Johnathan Barnes, Chair

Laura Machala, Secretary