

PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Notes of January 20, 2016

Members present: Michael Babbitt, Jim Farrell, Charles Mathews, Jesse Knight, Gary

Walvatne and Chris Myers

Members absent: None

Staff present: John Boyd, Planning Manager; Megan Thornton, Assistant City Attorney

PREHEARING MEETING

With Chair Schwark absent and the Vice Chair position empty, Mr. Boyd called the work session to order in the Rosemont Room at City Hall. One item needed to be added to the agenda. At the December 2, 2015, meeting the Planning Commission continued the TSP hearing to the January 20, 2016 meeting. There was no new written testimony for the meeting.

REGULAR MEETING - CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Boyd called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Boyd welcomed Commissioner Jim Farrell and Commissioner Charles Matthews and asked each of them to introduce themselves to members of the community.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Boyd called for nominations for the two open positions: Chair and Vice Chair.

Commissioner Farrell **nominated** Commissioner Babbitt as Interim Chair to allow time for new members to get to know Planning Commission members.

Commissioner Babbitt **nominated** Commissioner Knight as Chair. After a discussion on an appointment of an Interim Chair or consideration of the election of a Chair. Commissioner Farrell withdrew his nomination for Interim Chair and both Commissioner Farrell and Commissioner Matthews **nominated** Commissioner Babbitt for Chair.

The vote for election of Chair Michael Babbitt:

Ayes: Commissioner Charles Mathews, Commissioner Jim Farrell, Commissioner Jesse Knight, Commissioner Gary Walvatne and Commissioner Chris Myers

The vote for election of Chair Jesse Knight:

Aves: Commissioner Michael Babbitt

Commissioner Babbitt was elected Chair with a 5-1 vote.

Commissioner Jesse Knight was then nominated for Vice Chair.

The vote for election of Vice Chair Jesse Knight:

Ayes: Chair Michael Babbitt, Commissioner Charles Mathews, Commissioner Jim Farrell, Commissioner Jesse Knight, Commissioner Gary Walvatne and Commissioner Chris Myers

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

The vote to elect Commissioner Jesse Knight Planning Commission Vice Chair carried 6-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MEETING NOTES: NOVEMBER 18, AND DECEMBER 2, 2015

Commissioner Walvatne **moved** to approve the meeting notes for November 18 and December 2, 2015. Commissioner Knight **seconded** the motion.

Ayes: Vice Chair Jesse Knight, Commissioner Gary Walvatne, Commissioner Chris Myers and

Chair Michael Babbitt

Nays: None

Abstentions: Commissioner Charles Mathews and Commissioner Jim Farrell

The motion carried 4-0-2

PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO LAND USE ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments.

TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN UPDATE MISC 12-03

The Planning Commission discussed holding a work session on the Transportation System Plan update at the February 3, 2016 meeting starting at 6:00 pm.

Vice Chair Knight **moved** to continue the Transportation System Plan public hearing to 2/17/16 at 6:30 pm. Commissioner Farrell **seconded** the motion.

Ayes: Commissioner Charles Mathews, Commissioner Jim Farrell, Vice Chair Jesse Knight, Commissioner Gary Walvatne, Commissioner Chris Myers and Chair Michael Babbitt

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

The motion carried 6-0-0

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Babbitt instructed the new members that this was the time of the meeting to raise questions and provide comments. He asked about work plans and Planning Commission rules. Mr. Boyd noted all boards and commissions operate under the same rules adopted by City Council. He was unaware of the work plan discussed and asked for a copy to review. Commissioner Walvatne reminded the Commission of the needed updates to the Community Development Code. There were no other comments.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM STAFF

No comments

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Babbitt adjourned the meeting.