



Shakopee Planning Commission
Meeting
Minutes
September 6, 2018
7:00 PM
Council Chambers

Presiding Chair Kent Robbins

Chair Robbins called the meeting to order.

1. Roll Call

Commissioners present: Lori Brandon, Jody Brennan, Mark McQuillan, Daniel Mock, Noreen Reding, Kent Robbins, Ashlee Sepulvado

City staff present: Director of Planning & Development Michael Kerski, Planner Joe Widing, Long Range Senior Planner Eric Weiss

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Lori Brandon made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Mark McQuillan and the motion passed.

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3. Call for Notarized Affidavits, Proof of Neighborhood Meeting and Sign in Sheet for appropriate Public Hearing

Staff has received these.

4. Recognition by Planning Commission of Interested Citizens

No one responded.

5. Consent Business - (All items listed in this section are anticipated to be routine. After a discussion by the Chair there will be an opportunity for members of the Commission to remove any items from the consent agenda for individual discussion. Those items removed will be considered following the Public hearing portion of the agenda. Items remaining on the Consent Agenda will not be discussed and will be approved in one motion.)

A. Approval of August Minutes

Commissioner Mark McQuillan made a motion to approve the Consent Business, seconded by Commissioner Noreen Reding and the motion passed.

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6. General Business

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Rezoning of Property from B-1, Highway Business to B-3, Central Business District

Commissioner Jody Brennan made a motion to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Noreen Reding and the motion passed.

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Director of Planning & Development Michael Kerski presented the staff report.

Mr. Robbins asked Mr. Kerski if this rezoning were approved, where the project was in terms of other approvals and Mr. Kerski answered that everything needed by the applicant had been approved, including the TIF. He clarified the timeline for the project development. Mr. Robbins asked how tall 5 stories was and Mr. Kerski clarified this for him.

Mr. William Strunk, 303 1st Avenue West, addressed the Commission. He shared his concerns with parking and traffic as well as pedestrian access.

Ms. Rosemary Radoush, 200 Levee Drive, addressed the Commission. She wondered why there was no low income housing or homeless shelters and shared that she was overwhelmed with all of the development downtown.

Commissioner Mark McQuillan made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Ashlee Sepulvado and the motion passed.

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Mr. Robbins asked about the traffic and Mr. Kerski stated that it was a County Highway. He added that the city will work on additional enforcement of the speed limit. Mr. Kerski also shared details about planned pedestrian improvements. Mr. Robbins asked about affordable housing and Mr. Kerski went over the upcoming affordable housing projects underway in the city as well as prospective future projects.

Commissioner Lori Brandon made a motion to recommend the City Council approve the rezoning request of 6 properties east of Scott Street, south of Levee Drive, North of First Avenue West, and West of Atwood Street, seconded by Commissioner Jody Brennan and the motion passed.

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B. PUBLIC HEARING - Envision Shakopee 2040 Comprehensive Plan

Commissioner Noreen Reding made a motion to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Commissioner Ashlee Sepulvado and the motion passed.

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Long Range Senior Planner presented the Envision Shakopee 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Robbins asked if river development was part of Envision Shakopee and he suggested that this be added to the Community Priority slide on the city website. Mr. Robbins asked how many pages long the plan was and Mr. Weiss answered it was 400 pages. He clarified that the Comp Plan provides an overall guidance for zoning and land guiding. He stated that they are required by state statute to go over their zoning code to make updates.

Mr. McQuillan commented that it would be interesting to see a summary of the goals completed in the 2030 Comp Plan at a future meeting and Mr. Weiss stated that this would be possible.

Mr. Mock asked if the Planning Department was following anything similar to the Green Cities concept and Mr. Weiss answered that there were some of these in the 2040 Plan.

Ms. Barb Curry, 116 Atwood Street N, addressed the Commission. She complimented the Planning Department on how they have engaged residents in the community with regard to the 2040 Comp Plan and stated her appreciation.

Commissioner Noreen Reding made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded

by Commissioner Lori Brandon and the motion passed.

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Commissioner Noreen Reding made a motion of positive recommendation to the City Council to authorize staff to release the plan and send out for the 6-month review period, as required by state statute, seconded by Commissioner Jody Brennan and the motion passed.

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- C. PUBLIC HEARING: Rezoning from Highway Business (B1) to Planned Unit Development (PUD).

Commissioner Mark McQuillan made a motion to open the Public Hearing and to continue to Thursday, October 4, 2018 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Noreen Reding and the motion passed.

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7. Other Business

None.

8. Adjourn to Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Lori Brandon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm, seconded by Commissioner Noreen Reding and the motion passed.

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