

## CITY OF ANGLETON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MINUTES 120 S. CHENANGO STREET, ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515 THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 02, 2023 AT 12:00 PM

#### RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551, THAT THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR CITY OF ANGLETON WILL CONDUCT A MEETING, OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2023, AT 12:00 P.M., AT THE CITY OF ANGLETON COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 120 S. CHENANGO STREET ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515.

### DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Chair Garwood called the Commission Meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

PRESENT Chair William Garwood Commission Member Henry Munson Commission Member Deborah Spoor Commission Member Michelle Townsend Commission Member Regina Bieri Commission Member Bonnie McDaniel

#### ABSENT

**Commission Member Ellen Eby** 

1. Discussion and possible action on the minutes for the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on January 5, 2023.

Motion was made by Commission Member Henry Munson to approve the minutes; Motion was seconded by Commission Member Regina Bieri.

**Commission Action:** Approved. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0 vote.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ACTION ITEMS

4. Conduct a public hearing, discussion, and take possible action on an application for a **Special Use Permit (SUP)** pursuant to Sec. 28-63 of the Code of Ordinances to consider a request submitted by Seven Souls Tattoo Studio, to allow for a Specific Use Permit for a Tattoo and Body Piercing Studio at the property located at 117 West Myrtle Street, Angleton, TX.

**D.S. Director Otis Spriggs** presented the findings of the report noting that the property is currently zoned "C-G" general commercial. It lies in the core of our downtown area

on Myrtle St. Most of the land in the vicinity, is zoned CBD. Under the current zoning-"C-G" commercial, the tattoo salon and body piercing uses can only be in this district by applying a specific use. Staff has included a summary of the State health regulations, which are organized and enforced by the state in terms of inspection and licensing. The specific use criteria for evaluating specific uses are outlined. Some of us have had an opportunity to deal with this type of uses in downtown areas, and they tend to attract some evening activity as well as daytime. But when individuals get tattoos, they are usually downtown participating in other activities, such as dining or nighttime entertainment and enjoyment. The applicants approached the city early in the process, wanting to locate within the city limits.

**Mr. Spriggs** added that Staff sent letters of notice to owners within 200 feet of the property, as well advertised the legal notice in the local newspaper. The city received one letter of support from the Mayor of Lake Jackson, who has had some experience with this applicant in the City of Lake Jackson. The mayor provided some positive feedback in terms of the Seven Souls' business reputation.

Since agenda posting, staff has discussed with the P&Z chairman, the possibility of placing some level of restriction on the use, to move towards a positive recommendation to Council, such as the hours of operation, which tends to be a concern for some specific uses, and as well as the duration of use. This would allow for interim inspections as well review of the operation to endure that the use does not violate some of the restrictions of the code or become a nuisance. The 5 added conditions would address some of those issues and hold the applicant to some level of responsibility with us.

Chairman Garwood opened the public hearing on this item with no objection.

**Applicant:** Mr. Alejandro Cantu appeared before the Commission expressing support of the use. Ariel Laura appeared in support as well.

**Ariel Laura** stated that she is a Lake Jackson resident and she's here in support of Seven Souls Tattoo studios and has had a wonderful experience with them in the City of Lake Jackson. She would love to see them grow and expand.

**D.S. Director Otis Spriggs** stated that he listed a suggested hour of operation, as a placeholder for discussion. Staff is open to Commission suggestions.

**Commission Member Bonnie McDaniel** stated that this is a good place. She noted that she worked on downtown revitalization very diligently, for about 15 years give or take. Although I would love to have the business in the downtown, that area is just that one or two blocks right there at Business 288 and 35 is just so critical on how it's developed. However, visiting with some of the business owners, they didn't have a problem with it. The only concern received was concerning the hours of operation, concerns of opening late at night or disturbances caused in the downtown area.

**Applicant Alejandro Cantu** stated that there hours at the Lake Jackson location is open from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM or till 8. PM during the week, and 10:00 AM to midnight during the weekends. They had considered being open the same amount time as the Dirty South which closes at 2 AM. Mr. Cantu noted that he is open to recommendations on it, and asked if they could at least stay open till midnight. If the police are called our establishment could be shut down by the State.

**D.S. Director Otis Spriggs** commented regarding the layout, please verify for the Commission the number of stations and typically how many people you would have in the facility at one time.

**Applicant Alejandro Cantu** stated they will have five stations total. Four that are strictly tattoos and one that does tattoos and piercings. There are 5 artists, one client per artist with a front desk. There will be 25-30 people maximum at once.

Chairman Garwood closed the public hearing on this item with no objection.

**Commission Member Bonnie McDaniel** asked about the time element. Chairman Garwood clarified that there is a recommendation for a one year.

**Commission Member Michelle Townsend** asked the applicant how long they have been opened in Lake Jackson? He replied 1 year. She also asked would it still require a specific use permit under CBD?

**D.S. Director Otis Spriggs** stated that it's allowed as specific use permit in a number of our commercial districts. He also asked for clarification on the specifics on the hours of operation.

**Commission Member Bonnie McDaniel** asked for clarity on the hours of operation in Lake Jackson.

**Applicant Alejandro Cantu** answered from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM during the week, then on Friday and Saturday 10:00 AM to midnight.

**Commission Member Bonnie McDaniel** made a motion to approve the S.U.P. and recommend it to Council subject to the noted conditions and that this particular business would have hours of operation from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM during the week; then on Friday and Saturday with a one-year duration from the Certificate of Occupancy; Motion was seconded by Commission Member Michelle Townsend.

# ADJOURNMENT: 12:44 PM.