



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY Planning Commission Meeting August 01, 2022 5:30 PM Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Binkley called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Chairwoman Nicole Binkley
Committee Member Gerald Greer
Committee Member Steven Stratton
Committee Member Vivian Foston
Committee Member JT Smith
Committee Member Mike Stuart
Committee Member Jerome Terrell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Committee Member Stuart, Seconded by Committee Member Greer, to approve the agenda. All approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July 11, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Committee Member Greer, Seconded by Committee Member Stuart, to approve the July 11, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

OLD BUSINESS

2. Final Site Plan Review: Parker Towing

Mr. Mike Phillips stated that he was there on behalf of Parker Towing to answer any questions. Mr. Gregory stated that there is a difference in the landscaping requirements and what the developer is proposing. Mr. Phillips stated that they have spoken with the city on what is acceptable. Committee Member Stratton asked that the landscaping requirements be met. Mr. Gregory stated that they are not trying to avoid the landscaping requirements and that he does not see an issue in recommending this for approval. Committee Member Greer asked what the differences were. Mr. Gregory stated that everything is being done just not in the area of the river bank. Committee Member Terrell asked if this was one of several phases. Mr. Phillips stated that there are two (2) phases right now and if anything is added later it would be addressed later. He asked if it was possible to get a markup of what is acceptable by the city and stated that they are willing to do whatever is needed. A motion was made by Committee Member Stratton, seconded by Committee Member Greer, to approve the final site plan. Voting Yea: Chairwoman Binkley, Committee Member Greer, Committee Member Stratton, Committee Member Foston, Committee Member Smith, Committee Member Stuart, Committee Member Terrell.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Site Plan Review: 1219 Hwy 12S

Mr. Rocky Leblanc stated that this is a site plan review for Indigo Granite and Tile. He stated that they received the list of comments and they are working their way through them. Mr. Gregory asked about the sign since it is in State right-of-way. Mr. Leblanc stated that is there the current sign sits. Mr. Gregory stated that the ordinance requires sidewalks but this circumstance is the same as Hampton Inn. Mr. Nicholson stated the the engineers comments were sent on Saturday and Mr. Gregory sent his Friday. Mr. Gregory stated that they needed to decide on the sidewalks moving forward. Committee Member Stuart stated the engineer will need another thorough review once the comments are met. A motion was made by Committee Member Stuart, seconded by Committee Member Greer, to approve the site plan with the

stipulations that all of the engineers comments are met, the landscaping across the front will be added, and the sidewalks will not be required along Highway 12 or Fairgrounds Road. Voting Yea: Chairwoman Binkley, Committee Member Greer, Committee Member Stratton, Committee Member Foston, Committee Member Smith, Committee Member Stuart, Committee Member Terrell.

4. Fireworks Discussion

Committee Member Greer stated that we saw some very critical situations on the Fourth of July this year. He stated that the city had extra trucks and extra employees on call in case something happened even though there was a burn ban in place. Committee Member Stratton stated that it was stressful and a miracle we got the little bit of rain we did. He stated that the money received from permits for firework sales does not begin to cover one house if it catches fire so he would like to ban them. Committee Member Terrell asked about drone fireworks. Committee Member Stratton stated those would be fine. After much discussion, a motion was made by Committee Member Greer, seconded by Committee Member Foston, to take the fireworks discussion before the council to amend the ordinance and ban the sale and discharge of fireworks. Voting Yea: Chairwoman Binkley, Committee Member Greer, Committee Member Stratton, Committee Member Foston, Committee Member Smith, Committee Member Stuart, Committee Member Terrell.

OTHER

Chairwoman Binkley welcomed Committee Member Jerome Terrell to the board.

Mr. Gregory stated that he put together a matrix for the residential district based on what is in the zoning ordinance. He stated that this will be helpful moving forward with changes. Committee Member Greer stated that a round table discussion was recommended to the council. Committee Member Stuart stated that one thing that goes along as they incorporate these things is staffing. He stated that building and codes will need a property maintenance person.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Committee Member Greer, seconded by Committee Member Smith, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

CHAIRWOMAN NICOLE BINKLEY

CITY RECORDER ALICIA MARTIN, CMFO