

City of Hartford Planning Commission
Special Meeting, Hartford City Hall
February 26th, 2024, Minutes

Called to Order: 7:30p.m. by T. Kling

Members Present: S. Ackerman, G. Gardner, J. Kling, T. Kling, & A. Morales

Members Absent: J. Fuller

Also Present: Linnea Rader, Interim City Manager

Approval of the Agenda: Motion made by G. Gardner, seconded by S. Ackerman, to approve the February 26th, 2024, agenda as written. All present in favor, motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes: N/A

*Motion made by G. Gardner, seconded by A. Morales, to close the regular meeting and open the Public Hearing. All present in favor, motion carried.

Public Hearing: No Public Attendees present.

***Discuss & Consider Proposed Amendments to Marijuana Ordinance no's. 341-2023 & 342-2023:**

T. Kling re-capped our previous discussions. Linnea pointed out that our suggested modifications had been updated. Re: Sec.110.12 number of temporary marihuana events and licenses & licenses required for Microbusinesses. Update to verbiage to allow the use of the word Cannabis in signage. The ordinances are regulated by the State of Michigan, in compliance with the current laws. Discussed that fenced in outdoor areas are allowed for recreational use, or inside separated areas that are well ventilated. G. Gardner had a question about violations, do police have the right to step in. There would have to be a public disturbance or law-breaking issue occurring outside of the facility.

***Discuss & Consider Proposed Amendments to Zoning Ordinance no. 343-2024 for sections 151.291, 151.309, 151.310, and 151.311:**

T. Kling re-capped our previous discussions. Amendment would allow the City Commission to act as the Zoning Board of Appeals and remain having final approval over Special Use Permits & Site Plans. After a brief discussion, all were in favor of moving forward with approving the above proposed amendments and recommendation to City Commission for final approval.

*Motion made by G. Gardner, seconded by S. Ackerman, to close the Public Hearing and reopen the regular meeting. All present in favor, motion carried.

*Motion made by J. Kling, seconded by G. Gardner, to approve the Proposed Amendment to Marijuana Ordinance no's. 341-2023 & 342-2023 and recommend to the City Commission for final approval. All present in favor, per roll call, motion carried.

*Motion made by G. Gardner, seconded by A. Morales, to approve the Proposed Amendment to Zoning Ordinance no. 343-2024 and recommend to the City Commission for final approval. All present in favor, per roll call, motion carried.

Linnea informed us that there would be a Special Council meeting on March 11th where they would have a first reading of the proposed amendments to the above ordinances. A second reading will take place at the regular March meeting at the end of month.

Public Comments Not on the Agenda: Linnea Rader Brief Updates: N/A

Old Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

Other business: N/A

Adjournment:

Motion made by G. Gardner, seconded by A. Morales, to adjourn the meeting. All present in favor, motion carried.
Meeting adjourned by T. Kling at 7:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by: Jenine Kling, Secretary