
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The June regular meeting of the Lansing Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Jake Kowalewski at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL / QUORUM ANNOUNCEMENT-

In attendance were Chairman Jake Kowalewski, Commissioners Janette Labbee-Holdeman, Jerry Gies, Nancy McDougal, Richard Hannon and Mike Suozzo. Commissioner Brian Payne was not in attendance. Chairman Jake Kowalewski noted that there was a quorum present.

OLD BUSINESS-

1. **Approval of Minutes, May 15th, 2024, Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Commissioner Labbee- Holdeman to approve the minutes as written, and it was seconded by Commissioner Gies. Motion passed 4-0, with Commissioners McDougal and Suozzo abstaining due to their absence in the May meeting.

NEW BUSINESS-

2. **Case 2024-CP-001- Annual Comp Plan Review**

A Vision for Tomorrow: Lansing 2030 Comprehensive Plan for Lansing was adopted in December 2014. Since then, A Vision for Tomorrow: Lansing 2030 Comprehensive Plan has not been updated. Staff is proposing to review the plan in stages, beginning with a revision of Section 1: Introduction, select maps and tables, and an update to the Implementation strategy found in Section 6: Funding, Statutes and Implementation.

A public hearing was opened at 7:02 pm. With no public present for discussion, the public hearing was closed at 7:03 pm.

Discussion began with Mr. Gentler explaining the process from the last meeting, which was more like a work session, and stated that he made the changes mentioned last month and also added QR codes. Commissioner Hannon brought up a couple of needed changes including a spelling error on Page 3 as well as an error on page 8, that we no longer have the Holiday Inn anymore, but it is now called Spark Hilton.

New discussion was brought up regarding financing options for the City of Lansing. Commissioner Hannon asked if we ever hire an outside agency to make sure that we take advantage of all state and federal funding, grants, etc. To which Mr. Gentzler replied that Mid America Regional Council (MARC) is our regional council, and they would provide information for the majority of grants that the City of Lansing would be eligible for. Mr. Spickelmier, Public Works Director, stated that we do regularly coordinate with MARC. He stated that we currently have two applications turned in for consideration for grants. One is for the sidewalk between Wyndham Hills and the High School. And the other is for the roundabout at 4-H and Desoto.

With no further discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Gies to amend the staff's proposed text amendments and recommend adoption of Case 2024-CP-001, as amended to the City Council. It was seconded by Commissioner Suozzo. Motion passed 6-0.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS- None

REPORTS- Commission and Staff Members-

Director, Community & Economic Development: Mr. Gentzler stated that we will update the Future Land Use Map, likely in 2025. Commissioner Labbee-Holdeman would like transportation to be included in the update. Mr. Gentzler also stated that the Planning Commission trainings will possibly start back up in August, prior to our monthly meetings.

ADJOURNMENT-

Commissioner McDougal made a motion to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Labbee-Holdeman and the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Baker, Secretary

Reviewed by,
Joshua Gentzler, Community and Economic Development Director