MINUTES OF THE MARSHALL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 12, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fox, Schroeder, Steen, Edblom, Lee and Carstens

MEMBERS ABSENT: Knieff

OTHERS PRESENT: Ilya Gutman, Jason Anderson and Glenn Bayerkohler

- Chairman Edblom asked for nominations for 2019/2020 officers. Steen nominated Edblom for Chairperson, seconded by Schroeder. Edblom nominated Steen for Vice Chairperson, Lee seconded. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.
- 2. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Edblom. He asked for the approval of the minutes of the April 10, 2019, regular meeting of the Marshall Planning Commission. Carstens MADE A MOTION, SECOND BY Fox, to approve the minutes as written. THE MOTION PASSED with Schroeder abstaining.
- 3. Gutman explained the original MERIT Center master plan included a shooting range shown west of the driving track north of Erie Road. A shooting range is not listed as a permitted or conditional use in any zoning district. The area north of Erie Road is zoned A - Agricultural District and a driving track is listed among conditional uses in that zoning district. It seems to make sense to add shooting ranges as a conditional use in A - Agricultural Districts. Several other cities that have outdoor shooting ranges were contacted and it seems to be a common way to have shooting ranges listed as a conditional use in a rural or agricultural district. A few other minor changes are also proposed to streamline the Ordinance and make it more consistent. Staff recommends the recommendation to the City Council approving the revisions amending Section 86-96 A -Agricultural District by adding shooting ranges as a conditional use in an A - Agricultural District. Schroeder asked if there was any feedback from residents. Gutman said this is not public hearing; that will be held at the City Council so public is not aware at this time. Anderson said that with the requirement of a conditional use it will be looked at on case by case basis. Edblom asked if city is bringing this forward. Anderson said at this time we have not had a request but a gun range is shown in the MERIT Center master plan. Carstens asked if this is for police training only or open to public for use. Anderson said there are things that are being worked out. We will have to address that when we receive a request. Gutman said in other cities it does allow public use. Anderson said the embankments are tall enough to make it safe for public use. Steen MADE A MOTION, SECOND BY Schroeder to recommend to City Council an approval as recommend by staff. MOTION PASSED.
- 4. In other business Gutman went over packet from a zoning class that he and Anderson attended.
- 5. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Fox, SECOND BY Lee to adjourn the meeting. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR. Chairman Edblom declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Chris DeVos, Recording Secretary