

--UNAPPROVED --

**MINUTES OF THE
MARSHALL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
JULY 8, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Edblom, Fox, Schroeder, Knieff and Lee

MEMBERS ABSENT: Carstens

OTHERS PRESENT: Glenn Bayerkohler Jason Anderson and Ilya Gutman

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Edblom. He asked for the approval of the minutes of the June 10, 2020, regular meeting of the Marshall Planning Commission. Lee MADE A MOTION, SECOND BY Knieff, to approve the minutes as written. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

2. Gutman explained that an existing garage is currently located within about a foot of the side property line. It is in a very bad shape and the owner would like to take it down and rebuild in the same location to utilize existing concrete garage floor. The Ordinance calls for 5-foot side yards for accessory buildings. An adjacent property also has a garage which is located very close to the side property line. Based on the above considerations and considering that the current garage location is due to circumstances unique and not created by the owner and rebuilding this garage will not alter the neighborhood's essential character, staff believe a variance request is justified. Staff recommends approval to the City Council of the request by Charles and Jolene Steffl for a Variance Adjustment Permit for re-building a garage within required side yard. Edblom said a neighbor at 107 E Redwood Street emailed that she is in favor of the variance being approved. Lee MADE A MOTION, SECOND BY Schroeder, to close the public hearing ALL VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. Knieff said he believes the neighbors would be happy to have this improved. Schroeder MADE A MOTION, SECOND BY Knieff to recommend to City Council an approval as recommend by staff. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION

3. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Lee, SECOND BY Schroeder to adjourn the meeting. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR. Chairman Edblom declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris DeVos, Recording Secretary