

CITY OF NORMAN, OK PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 201 West Gray, Norman, OK 73069 Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 6:30 PM

MINUTES

The Planning Commission of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session in Council Chambers of the Norman Municipal Building, 201 West Gray Street, on the 12th day of January, 2023.

Notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at the Norman Municipal Building and online at https://norman-ok.municodemeetings.com at least twenty-four hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

Chair Erica Bird called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Cameron Brewer Keyan Parker

Liz McKown

Steven McDaniel

Erica Bird

Douglas McClure

Jim Griffith

Maria Kindel

Michael Jablonski

A quorum was present.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Jane Hudson, Director, Planning & Community Development Lora Hoggatt, Planning Services Manager Colton Wayman, Planner I Beth Muckala, Assistant City Attorney Todd McLellan, Development Engineer Roné Tromble, Recording Secretary Mitchell Richardson, Multimedia Supervisor

Election of Officers

Motion made by Steven McDaniel to nominate Erica Bird as Chair, Kevan Parker as Vice Chair, and Michael Jablonski as Secretary; seconded by Liz McKown.

Voting Yea: Brewer, Parker, McKown, McDaniel, Bird, McClure, Griffith, Kindel, Jablonski

NON-CONSENT ITEMS

Planned Unit Development

3. Consideration of Approval, Acceptance, Rejection, Amendment, and/or Postponement of Ordinance No. O-2223-21: Bryan and Donna Komers request rezoning from A-2, Rural Agricultural District, to PUD, Planned Unit Development, to allow for mining activities for approximately 40 acres of property generally located on the north side of Etowah Road between 96th Avenue S.E. and 108th Avenue S.E.

ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD:

- Location Map
- 2. Staff Report
- 3. Komers Mining Development PUD Narrative with Exhibits A-C
- 4. Roll Top Ranch Certificate of Survey

PRESENTATION BY STAFF: Mr. Wayman reviewed the staff report, a copy of which is filed with the minutes.

Mr. Jablonski asked what zoning category dirt mining would fall under, and whether there have been any other special requests like this. Mr. Wayman responded that dirt mining is not an allowed use in any zoning district. Ms. Hudson responded that there was an amendment to the Founders Park PUD to allow dirt mining several years ago.

Mr. Jablonski asked about sand mining on the west side of town. Ms. Bird responded the sand mining is outside the City limits of Norman to the west.

PRESENTATION BY THE APPLICANT: Gunner Joyce, Rieger Law Group, representing the applicant, presented the project.

Ms. McKown asked about the hours of operation to 8 PM. Mr. Joyce responded.

Mr. Brewer asked how long the mining activity might be expected to last. Mr. Joyce responded.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Cheryl Blake, Fischer Road, spoke regarding her concerns with the proposed project.

Mr. Griffith asked about the extent of the mining: how much of the open area will be mined and how much of the forested area. Mr. Joyce responded that the applicants have a Department of Mines permit for 5 acres that does not go into the trees. There is a 62.5' buffer from the road.

Mr. Griffith asked about cattle grazing. Mr. Joyce responded that they currently use this 40 acres and the 40 acres to the east.

Mr. Parker asked what is required to build a farm pond. Ms. Hudson and Mr. McLellan responded.

Ms. Kindel asked about the elevation and drainage questions that were raised. Mr. Joyce responded.

Ms. Bird asked about the easements on the site plan. Mr. Joyce responded that one is an oil/gas pipeline and one is a utility easement.

Mr. Jablonski asked if there are requirements with regard to water quality in the pond. Mr. Joyce did not have the answer. They had to do a reclamation plan for the surrounding impacted area.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

Mr. Parker asked that the Commission consider the precedent this may set.

Mr. Jablonski commented he thinks it is smart to take something that would be waste and sell it.

Motion made by Steven McDaniel to recommend adoption of Ordinance No. O-2223-21 to City Council; seconded by Michael Jablonski.

Voting Yea: Brewer, McKown, McDaniel, Bird, McClure, Griffith, Kindel, Jablonski

Voting Nay: Parker

The motion to recommend adoption of Ordinance No. O-2223-21 to City Council passed by a vote of 8-1.
