



CITY OF NORMAN, OK PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

**Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 201 West Gray, Norman, OK 73069
Thursday, February 08, 2024 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 8th day of February, 2024.

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 6:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Cameron Brewer
Steven McDaniel
Liz McKown
Michael Jablonski
Erica Bird
Jim Griffith
Maria Kindel
Kevan Parker

ABSENT

Douglas McClure

A quorum was present.

STAFF PRESENT

Jane Hudson, Director of Planning & Community Development
Lora Hoggatt, Planning Services Manager
Melissa Navarro, Planner II
Beth Muckala, Assistant City Attorney
Scott Sturtz, Interim Director of Public Works
Todd McLellan, Development Engineer
Jack Burdett, Subdivision Development Coordinator
David Riesland, Transportation Engineer
Bryce Holland, Multimedia Specialist
Roné Tromble, Admin. Tech. IV

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Zoning Ordinance Amendment

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ORDINANCE NO. O-2324-40: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING CHAPTER 36 ("ZONING"), SECTIONS 36-101 ("DEFINITIONS"), 36-511 ("A-1, GENERAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT"), 36-512 ("A-2, RURAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT"), 36-513 ("RE, RESIDENTIAL ESTATE DWELLING DISTRICT"), 36-514 ("R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT") AND 36-570 ("BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT") IN ORDER TO DEFINE AND CREATES USES FOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS, AND OTHER ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF COMPATABILITY THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD:

1. Staff Report
2. Ordinance No. O-2324-40 Annotated

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

Ms. Bird raised the question of whether an ADU is necessarily detached; in this ordinance it is not necessary for the ADU to be detached. Ms. Hoggatt added that situation could be better for aging in place for relatives.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Daniel Zavala Paramo, 609 Nebraska Street, is the Director of Policy for Students for Local Action (SLA). SLA is the University of Oklahoma's first and only student-led climate advocacy group. ADUs are a great way to increase supply of housing without the hurdle of acquiring new property, installing City infrastructure, etc. They tend to be cheaper to rent. They are good for the climate: an efficient use of existing land, increases density, and reduces sprawl. The student members have voted unanimously to endorse ADUs in Norman.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

Mr. Brewer spoke in support of the ordinance. The Strong Towns Leadership Committee made five recommendations to Council for discussion at their retreat; the top priority was to develop an ADU ordinance.

Ms. Bird thanked staff for their work on this ordinance.

Motion made by Brewer, seconded by McKown, to recommend adoption of Ordinance No. O-2324-40 to City Council.

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

The motion to recommend adoption of Ordinance No. O-2324-40 to City Council passed by a vote of 8-0.

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