

**TRANSCRIPT OF A PORTION OF THE  
PETERSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

**Agenda Item D**

**June 13, 2023**

**Petersburg, Alaska**

**Commissioners:**

**Chris Fry, Chair**

**Heather O'Neil, Vice Chair**

**Marietta Davis**

**Sally Dwyer**

**Jim Floyd**

**John Jensen**

**Phillip Meeks**

**Staff:**

**Liz Cabrera, Community & Economic Development Director**

**Ray Wesebaum, Building Official/Code Enforcement Officer**

**Anna Caulum, Administrative Assistant**

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At 1:14:21 of the meeting recording located on the Petersburg Borough website at [www.petersburgak.gov](http://www.petersburgak.gov):

Chair Fry: The next is consideration of an application from, uh, the Petersburg Medical Center to approve a preliminary plat, uh, of a major subdivision located in the Airport Addition Subdivision and vacate portions of Fram, Gjoa and N. Twelfth Street right-of-way. This is from just the, uh, ...

Commissioner Davis: Oh, oh, okay.

Chair Fry: main section. So, this is the second part. We were talking about rezoning, and now we're talking about consolidating, is what this part is, to, into those, instead of being all those individual lots, into two lots. So...

Commissioner Jensen: Can we take no action based on the discussion we've had on the other two?

Chair Fry: Um, we can uh, um, uh, not, uh, have a motion. If there is no motion there is no, yeah, so...

Staff Cabrera: I think you need to take an action. I think you are required to.

Commissioner Floyd: I think we should take the motion and then say that we need to satisfy the other one before we take up this one, I think that's what we should do. I move to approve the preliminary plat for the Petersburg Medical Center Subdivision and to approve vacation of the rights-of-way, as depicted in Exhibit A, with findings of facts as presented.

(Motion was seconded by Vice Chair O'Neil, not recorded).

Commissioner Floyd: Now we can have a discussion. Anyways, I think that we should vote to postpone this...

Chair Fry: Well, we would vote to continue it...

Commissioner Floyd: Yeah...

Chair Fry: ...to a future meeting once we have a resolution on the, on the previous one because it is kind of pointless to do a replat if we're not changing the zoning. So...

Commissioner Jensen: We don't have a time certain to move it to, to pick it up as...

Chair Fry: We just continue it until, uh, a resolution is made on, um,

Commissioner Jensen: Until we get through the first two parts.

Chair Fry: Right.

Commissioner Jensen: Okay. Good enough.

Commissioner Floyd: Add to that amendment, or, because we had to vote on that, too...

Chair Fry: Yeah.

Commissioner Floyd: Okay.

Chair Fry: So it's, would be, but the term would be to continue it to a future meeting when we've resolved the rezone.

Commissioner Floyd: I move that we, uh, continue this when, to another time when we can satisfy the previous, um, discussion point to a later date.

Commissioner Jensen: I'll second that.

Chair Fry: Okay. Any further discussion? Roll call.

Staff Caulum: Sally?

Commissioner Dwyer: Yes. (not recorded)

Staff Caulum: Marietta?

Commissioner Davis: Yes.

Staff Caulum: Philip?

Commissioner Meeks: Yes. (not recorded)

Staff Caulum: John?

Commissioner Jensen: Yes.

Staff Caulum: Jim?

Commissioner Floyd: Yes.

Staff Caulum: Heather?

Vice Chair O'Neil: Yes.

Staff Caulum: Chris?

Chair Fry: Yes.

Staff Cabrera: Um, Mr. Chairman, you have to take action, per the code, to approve or deny an application.

Chair Fry: Okay. ...motion, haha.

Commissioner Jensen: I move to approve the application, um, for the Petersburg Medical Center, uh,...

Chair Fry: Do we have a second?

Staff Cabrera: Mr. Chairman, that needs to include the vacation of the right-of-way as well, that motion.

Commissioner Floyd: Well, I guess I don't understand, because if we didn't approve the uh, joining of the lots so why would we be trying to approve this?

Chair Fry: Well, this, this is... we, we didn't approve the rezone. So this would be doing a uh, uh, combining the lots, but they would... not rezoning. Which doesn't, you know.

Commissioner Jensen: We already took that off the table with the second.

Vice Chair O'Neil: So is the motion... Is the motion on the table, then, to combine these lots?

Commissioner Floyd: I was, the original, the preliminary plot of the Petersburg and to... my original motion was, I read it straight off here, was to approve the preliminary plat for the Petersburg Medical Center Subdivision and to approve vacation of the right-of-ways, from the exhibit, as presented. So, and then...

Commissioner O'Neil: I second that for discussion. Okay... okay

Chair Fry: Seconded for discussion. So, where, that's where we stand right now.

Vice Chair O'Neil: So, we're on discussion and I say, no, we don't want to consolidate these lots, then, or give up any right-of-ways, um, because we don't know what the future holds.

Commissioner Jensen: I agree. I don't know how many times we have to vote on the same thing but I agree with Heather.

Chair Fry: Um, so, which motion are we voting on right now, the one that Jim made? What?

Staff Malcom: The original one that was read.

Commissioner Floyd: The original one.

Chair Fry: Okay. That's the one Jim read... yeah. Okay. So...

Commissioner Davis: So, what does a no vote mean? And what does a yes vote mean?

Chair Fry: A no vote, a no vote would mean we would vote against, uh, combining these lots and vacating the right-of-ways.

Commissioner Davis: Oh, okay.

Chair Fry: So, okay. So, is everybody clear on this now? Roll call please.

Commissioner Davis: And don't ask me first.

Staff Caulum: Heather?

Vice Chair O'Neil: I vote no on consolidating these lots and vacating any right-of-ways.

Staff Caulum: Jim?

Commissioner Floyd: No.

Staff Caulum: Sally?

Commissioner Dwyer: No.

Staff Caulum: Phillip?

Commissioner Meeks: No.

Staff Caulum: Marietta?

Commissioner Davis: No.

Staff Caulum: Chris?

Chair Fry: No.

Staff Caulum: And John?

Commissioner Jensen: No.

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