

**MINUTES OF THE  
TUPELO PLANNING COMMITTEE  
NOVEMBER REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, November 6, 2023  
6:00 PM Tupelo Convention & Visitors Bureau**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was held at Tupelo Convention and Visitors Bureau, 399 East Main Street, due to ongoing renovations at City Hall. Chair Lindsey Leake called the meeting to order. Other committee members present included Bentley Nolan, Pam Hadley Leslie Mart, Patti Thompson, Victor Fleitas and Scott Davis. Committee members Mark Williams and Gus Hildenbrand were not present. Staff members present included Director of Development Services Tanner Newman, City Planner Jenny Savely and Zoning Administrator Russ Wilson. Chair Leake asked Pam Hadley to open with a prayer and Patti Thompson to lead the pledge. Chair Leake then presented an opening statement of the committee purpose and reviewed how the committee would conduct its business. The Staff and Committee were then asked to introduce themselves and did so.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Patti Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2023 meeting with a second by Bentley Nolan. The motion carried unanimously.

**REPORT ON COUNCIL ACTIONS**

City Planner Jenny Savely said there was nothing to report on Council Actions but the text amendments being considered tonight will be reviewed by the City Council at the November 7<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting (tomorrow night).

**OLD BUSINESS**

Scott Davis asked if there was an appeal by Mr. Foster about the decision from the last meeting concerning the duplexes on Endville Road. Savely stated that there was no appeal. The applicant decided to wait on any code changes that were possibly being considered.

Planner Savely mentioned in old business that TA-22-02 modified recommendations are included in tonight's discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Leake brought up the first item, TA23-01. Savely summarized the information on the proposed text amendment handout (attached) that relates to changes to Chapter 2, 4, 8 and 11 of the Code. After much discussion, a motion was made by Leslie Mart and seconded by Victor Fleitas to approve the changes to the code as presented with the additional amendments or changes as summarized on the attached Memo to the City Council from City Planner Jenny Savely.

Leake then brought up TA23-02. Savely summarized the information on the proposed text amendment handout (attached) that relates to changes to Chapter 10 (Sign Regulations) of the Code. After much discussion, a motion was made by Leslie Mart and seconded by Pam Hadley to approve the changes to the code as presented with the additional amendments or changes as summarized on the attached Memo to the City Council from City Planner Jenny Savely.

Leake then brought up TA23-03. Savely summarized the information on the proposed text amendments handout (attached) that relates to changes in Chapter 12 (12.10 Subdivisions) of the Code. After much discussion, a motion was made by Bentley Nolan and seconded by Scott Davis to approve the changes to the code as presented.

Chairman Leake asked if there were any other applications for December. A site plan for a multi-family development and an application for a cell tower are tentatively on the next agenda. Leake then reminded the committee about the November 27<sup>th</sup> Work Session at City Hall and the December 4<sup>th</sup> regular monthly Planning Committee Meeting tentatively planned to be held at CVB. There were some questions about scheduled meeting dates for December and January around the holidays, but no decisions were made at this time. With there being no further business, Patti Thompson made a motion to adjourn which passed unanimously.