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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: NOVEMBER 14, 2022

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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MEMBERS OF PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair – Vicki Bachakes

Ronald Voigt

Vice Chair -

Craig Davis

Secretary - William Mills

Amy Bolin

Terry A. Peck, Board of Trustees Representative

Mandy Hemingway, Recording Secretary

PRESENT: Ronald Voigt, Amy Bolin, Vicki Bachakes, Craig Davis and Terry Peck

ABSENT: William Mills

OTHERS PRESENT: Eleven (11) other individuals were present.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:00 P.M. by Planning Commission Chairperson Bachakes with Roll Call and Pledge to the American Flag.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

COMMISSIONER PECK MOVED, supported by Commissioner Davis to approve the agenda as presented.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

COMMISSIONER PECK MOVED, supported by Commissioner Voigt to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bolin, Bachakes, Davis, Peck and Voigt

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mills

THE MOTION CARRIED.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS 7:01 P.M.

No comments made.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS 7:02 P.M.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing to rezone Parcel No. 08-12-200-014, southwest corner of Elms and Mt. Morris Roads from C-2 General Commercial District to RU-2 Residential Urban Medium-Density District.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED AT 7:03 P.M.

- Gerald Demick of 7059 W. Mt. Morris Rd commented he has concerns about the type of housing being proposed; has concerns about losing property value, rise in crime, and potential for low-income housing. Feels hesitant about project coming in.
- Jeff King of 7049 W. Mt. Morris Rd commented that he shares the same concerns of Mr. Demick. Questions if this is something that is needed and can there be a guarantee that this will NOT be low-income housing; apprehensive and quite opposed to it.
- Delores Vlahon of 7481 N. Elms Rd, who is right next door, shares the same concerns of both Mr. Demick and Mr. King; needs more information, not for or against at this point.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 7:07 P.M.

2. Consideration of request to rezone Parcel No. 08-12-200-014, southwest corner of Elms and Mt. Morris Roads from C-2 General Commercial District to RU-2 Residential Urban Medium-Density District.

The applicant, Terry Potter, was present and gave a brief overview of his plans for the property to be rezoned. After reviewing the application and support material and a short discussion the following motion was made.

COMMISSIONER PECK MOVED, supported by Commissioner Voigt to send this to the Board of Trustees with the recommendation to change the zoning to RU-2 from C-2 General Commercial District.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bachakes, Davis, Peck, Voigt and Bolin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mills

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

OPEN FOR COMMENTS: 7:30 P.M.

Three comments were made.

CLOSED FOR COMMENTS: 7:35 P.M.

VII. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Chairperson Bachakes thanked Deputy Mandy Hemingway for doing such a good job taking the minutes for the Planning Commission. Tonight will be her last meeting.

Commissioner Peck addressed the residents, stating that the planning commission shares the same concerns about the proposed project and all want the best for Flushing Township.

Commissioner Voigt announced his resignation from the Planning Commission, stating tonight will be his last meeting. It has been an enjoyable experience.

Commissioner Davis assured the residents that the planning commission would make sure the new development looks nice and is upscale.

Commissioner Bolin commented that the planning commission members respect and appreciate the integrity of our community and don't want to jeopardize it in any way. They take their responsibility seriously as planning commissioners and hear the concerns of the residents.

**VIII. NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING IS MONDAY,
DECEMBER 12, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.**

IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 P.M.



VICKI BACHAKES, Chairperson



WILLIAM MILLS, Secretary

04-10-23

Date of Approval

Mandy Hemingway, Recording Secretary