

MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
February 13, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular Planning Commission meeting was held at City Hall on the 13th day of February, 2023 at 6:30 PM

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT: Chairman Ferris, Commissioner Hanson, Commissioner Egger, Commissioner Tinsley and Commissioner Johnson

THE FOLLOWING WERE ABSENT: None

THE FOLLOWING WERE ALSO PRESENT: City Clerk Linda Rappe, Ian Albers, Planning/EDA Assistant, Brad Scheib – HKGI, City Administrator Tim Ibisch and Mike Marti

CALL TO ORDER AT 6:30PM

SWEAR IN NEW MEMBER – Administrator Ibisch swore in New Planning Commissioner John Hanson.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON – Commissioner Egger nominated Commissioner Ferris as Chairperson, second from Commissioner Johnson with All Voting Aye.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – December 12, 2022 **Motion to Approve made by Commissioner Egger, second by Commissioner Tinsley with All Voting Aye**

PUBLIC HEARINGS – MARTI ELECTRIC VARIANCE – EDA Assistant Albers stated that Mike Marti would like to add an addition to the front (south) of the building and since the public hearing was published Mr. Marti would like to extend the variance to 6 feet instead of 5 feet. Mr. Marti has already put his building as far north on the property as possible because there is a large sewer easement that runs through the property. Mr. Albers read through the criteria for granting a variance.

Commissioner Tinsley asked about the setback from the street and that would be 24 feet. Administrator Ibisch stated that this is consistent with the other buildings on that street.

Public Hearing Opened

Mike Marti formally asked for the 6 foot variance.

Public Hearing Closed

Chairman Ferris stated that a 6 foot variance is reasonable.

Commissioner Johnson stated that the satellite view looks as though the other buildings are that close. This property is unique with the large sewer easement running diagonally through the property.

Motion to Recommend Approval of a 6 foot variance made by Commissioner Egger, second by Commissioner Johnson with All Voting Aye.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN/ORDINANCE UPDATE DISCUSSION – Brad Schieb (HKGI) went through his slideshow and gave the planning commissioners something to think about and how they will want to guide development. Administrator Ibisch stated that we have about a year and a half worth of lots available. Mr. Ibisch also stated that the school was very conservative on their projections. This will come back to future meetings for discussion.

PAVED LOT ORDINANCE – Discussion – Tim stated that the engineer is asking to take a harder line for paving lots in town. After a lot of discussion regarding the paving of parking lots, the Commissioners were in agreement that we should enforce the paving of parking lots with new structures.

OTHER – Nothing

ADJOURN – 7:37pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Rappe, City Clerk