



CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
Coopersville City Hall; 289 Danforth Street, Coopersville, Michigan

September 26, 2016

Chairman, Ross Conran called the meeting to order @ 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners present: Brian Bacon Sarah Petersen
Michael Heinz Tara Weise
Justin Longstreth Ross Conran, Chairman

Commissioners absent: Kristen Mooney

Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Heinz with second by Commissioner Bacon to approve the minutes of the regular Planning Commission meeting of August 15, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens Input & Suggestions None

Discussion/Action Site Plan Review-25 Conran Drive

Commissioners reviewed the site plan for an approximate 700 square foot addition and the expansion of the parking area for Andunn L.L.C./Northern Physical Therapy.

Planning Director, Jonathan Seyferth informed the Commission that he has been notified that the addition would not be happening at this point, only the construction of the parking lot, and that the site plan application was not amended by the applicant so therefore he left the whole review in place for their reference.

Discussion was held on the relocation of the three (3) trees along Conran Drive to other areas of the property.

Commissioners were concerned on whether trees of this size would live after being relocated and if they did not survive should a requirement to replace them be set as a condition of approval with the site plan.

Planning Director, Jonathan Seyferth stated that there were some pine trees there that could be used for replacements.

Motion by Commissioner Bacon with second by Commissioner Heinz to approve the site plan for Andunn L.L.C./Northern Physical Therapy with the condition that the tree situation be satisfactorily addressed. Motion carried unanimously.

Scheduled Guests/Presentation McKenna Associates-Coopersville Master Plan

Christopher Khorey, Principal Planner of McKenna Associates, along with Stephen Hannon, Assistant Planner Were present, and held a "kick off meeting" to get things started on the Master Plan rewrite.

A power point was presented which included an introduction of the McKenna Team Members, Plan Philosophy, The Current Plan, The New Plan, Project Schedule, and Community Outreach.

Scheduled Guests/Presentation McKenna Associates-Coopersville Master Plan continued

Mr. Khorey informed the Commission that they would also be having In-Person Outreach and Roundtable discussions, and stating further that the format for the Roundtable discussions would be to be a topic for the discussion such as businesses, etc.

Mr. Khorey ended his presentation by asking the Commissioners “What they would like to see in the Master Plan Project?”

Commissioner’s comments were as follows:

Commissioner Conran:

- We do not believe we are a second class community and we are very satisfied as to where we are.
- Architecture is a very important piece to planning
- Transportation is important and we know we do not currently have the best routes.
- Short on commercial development, currently overbuilt commercially.
- We are well served by our ordinances, Emergency Services and we have a great School System.

Commissioner Heinz:

- Want to maintain the small town atmosphere while balancing the economy locally
- Keep the quality we have

Mr. Khorey stated that they will keep everyone informed as more data is gathered and progress is being made.

Planning Commission Information No additional information to review this month.

Planning Director’s Comments

Planning Director, Jonathan Seyferth informed the Commission that the Wagenmaker property has been sold and the new owners have made many improvements.

Mr. Seyferth requested that the Commissioners visit the property to see the improvements.

Planning Commissioner Comments None

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 P.M. by Chairman Conran.

Chairman, Ross Conran

Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk