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CITY OF FORT PIERCE PLANNING BOARD

Planning Board Minutes

OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE FORT PIERCE CITY PLANNING BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, **April 14, 2015**, IN FORT PIERCE CITY HALL, COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH US HIGHWAY 1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Charles Hayek; Mike Dahan; Eduardo Mujica; John George; Brian Paul; Marcia Baker; Tim O'Connell; Eloise Cummings; Steve Weaver; Robert Poitier; Bob Burdge, Chairman

Absent: Erica Ganzi

Staff Present: Rebecca Grohall, AICP, Planning Manager
James Walker, Assistant City Attorney
Kori Benton, Historic Preservation Officer
Alicia Rosenthal, Administrative Assistant

4. CONSIDERATION OF ABSENCES

Motion was made by Marcia Baker, and seconded by Eloise Cummings to excuse the absence of Ms. Ganzi.

AYE: Eduardo Mujica, John George, Brian Paul, Marcia Baker, Tim O'Connell, Eloise Cummings, Steve Weaver, Charles Hayek, Mike Dahan, Chairman Bob Burdge
Passed

5. CERTIFICATION OF ALTERNATE MEMBER VOTING STATUS

Mr. Weaver was made an active member for the meeting.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. March 10, 2015 Meeting

Motion was made by John George, and seconded by Marcia Baker to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2015 meeting.

AYE: Mike Dahan, Eduardo Mujica, John George, Brian Paul, Marcia Baker, Tim O'Connell, Eloise Cummings, Steve Weaver, Charles Hayek, Chairman Bob Burdge

Passed

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Site Plan - O'Reilly Auto Parts - 2600 Okeechobee Road

Mr. Benton gave an overview of the application and answered questions from the Board. Board discussion ensued. Tom Burke, Engineer of Record from Cardno, spoke about the environmental aspect of the site and answered questions from the Board.

Motion was made by Marcia Baker, and seconded by John George to forward a recommendation to the City Commission for approval of the Site Plan with the following conditions:

1. The applicant record the proposed five (5) foot sidewalk easement prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy; and
2. The applicant integrates a tree mitigation plan into the request for a deceleration within the Okeechobee Road right-of-way to offset the removal of four (4) palm and three (3) oak trees from the County right-of-way; and
3. The applicant will supply any environmental impact studies prior to the City Commission meeting.

AYE: Charles Hayek, Mike Dahan, Eduardo Mujica, John George, Brian Paul, Marcia Baker, Tim O'Connell, Eloise Cummings, Steve Weaver, Chairman Bob Burdge

Passed

b. Revisions to the Planned Development Code - Sec 22-40

Ms. Grohall presented revisions to the Planned Development Code, which were requested by the City Commission to clarify and streamline the process. Ms. Grohall answered questions from the Board and provided additional information.

Motion was made by Steve Weaver, and seconded by Marcia Baker to forward a recommendation to the City Commission for approval of the proposed changes to Section 22-40.

AYE: Steve Weaver, Eloise Cummings, Tim O'Connell, Marcia Baker, Brian Paul, John George, Eduardo Mujica, Mike Dahan, Charles Hayek, Chairman Bob Burdge

Passed

c. Capital Improvements Presentation by City Engineer and Deputy City Manager

Nick Mimms, Deputy City Manager, and Jack Andrews, City Engineer, listened to the concerns of the Board members and discussed roadway resurfacing. Mr. Andrews identified streets that have high volume and are in poor shape. Mr. Mimms noted they are working on trying to identify funding for the much needed capital improvement projects city wide. Mr. Mimms stated the outlook of the community is looking better and he hopes the budget will turn around.

8. BOARD COMMENTS

The Board was supplied a memo from Ms. Grohall with the annexation update that was presented to the City Commission.

9. ADJOURNMENT