

**PLANNING COMMISSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey Planning Commission conducted a regular meeting on Thursday, August 2, 2012, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Chairperson Gary Levine
 Commissioner Randy Bauer
 Commissioner Ralph Brauer
 Commissioner Joseph Field
 Commissioner Jessica Perez
 Commissioner Robert Schiller

Members Absent: Commissioner Gary Van Scoy

Also Present: Senior Planner Tim Gladhill

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Levine called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

None.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Brauer, seconded by Commissioner Schiller, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Levine, Commissioners Brauer, Schiller, Bauer, Field and Perez. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Van Scoy.

4. APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

4.01: Approve the Following Planning Commission Minutes:

4.01.1: Planning Commission Meeting Minutes Dated July 12, 2012

Motion by Commissioner Brauer, seconded by Commissioner Schiller, to approve the following minutes with the amendment that Commissioner Brauer left momentarily and returned to the meeting: Planning Commission Meeting Minutes dated July 12, 2012.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Levine, Commissioners Brauer, Schiller, Bauer, Field and Perez. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Van Scoy.

5. NOTE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

5.01: Note the Following City Council Meeting Minutes:

5.01.1: City Council Meeting Minutes Dated May 22, 2012

5.01.2: City Council Meeting Minutes Dated June 12, 2012

5.01.3: City Council Meeting Minutes Dated June 26, 2012

Informational; no action required.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

6.01: Public Hearing: Consider Preliminary Plat Approval for COR TWO (Sunwood Retail) Located South of Sunwood Drive (realigned) and East of Armstrong Boulevard; Case of the City of Ramsey Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA)

Public Hearing

Chairperson Levine called the public hearing to order at 7:05 p.m.

Presentation

Senior Planner Gladhill presented the staff report and presentation indicating the applicant is requesting consideration of the Preliminary Plat for COR TWO. He provided background and a realignment purpose for Sunwood Drive. Staff is looking for action on the plat.

Discussion ensued regarding the roundabout and direction of access.

Commissioner Brauer questioned putting in a median.

Chairperson Levine asked if it would be signaled at the shared access.

Senior Planner Gladhill replied no that is normally for larger facilities.

Commissioner Brauer asked if tenants are comfortable with the access point.

Senior Planner Gladhill noted they are.

Commissioner Brauer questioned if all issues pursuant to a June 1 letter regarding COR TWO has been resolved.

Senior Planner Gladhill noted they are all essentially resolved and approval is recommended.

Citizen Input

None.

Motion by Commissioner Bauer, seconded by Commissioner Brauer, to close the public hearing.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Levine, Commissioners Bauer, Brauer, Field, Perez and Schiller. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Van Scoy.

Chairperson Levine closed the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

Commission Business

Motion by Commissioner Brauer, seconded by Commissioner Schiller, to recommend that City Council adopt a resolution to approve the Preliminary Plat contingent upon compliance with the Staff Review File dated July 27, 2012.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Levine, Commissioners Brauer, Schiller, Bauer, Field and Perez. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Van Scoy.

6.02: Consider Request for Site Plan Approval of Wiser Choice Liquor

Commissioner Field asked if the applicant was okay with him remaining for this matter due to the city council race.

Mr. Jeff Wise, applicant, 7901 165th Ave, Ramsey, agreed.

Senior Planner Gladhill presented the staff report indicating the applicant is requesting site plan approval. He provided a background and presentation. He walked through the architectural renderings. The proposed action is for city council to approve the site plan.

Mr. Wise explained the potential building height and discussed some of the renderings, noting tweaks will be done on the design to better fit the lot.

Commissioner Brauer asked about a drive thru under the roof.

Mr. Wise stated under the roof would be an outdoor dining area that he will not be maintaining.

Commissioner Bauer questioned parking.

Mr. Wise responded they have seating parking.

Senior Planner Gladhill noted parking will be sufficient but the City may want to review it in the future.

Motion by Commissioner Bauer, seconded by Commissioner Perez, to recommend to City Council approval of the Site Plan for Wisser Choice Liquors, contingent upon compliance with the Staff Review File dated July 27, 2012.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Levine, Commissioners Bauer, Perez, Brauer, Field and Schiller. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Van Scoy.

6.03: Staff Update

The Staff Update was noted.

6.04: Zoning Bulletins

Zoning Bulletins were noted.

7. COMMISSION/STAFF INPUT

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Schiller, seconded by Commissioner Field, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Levine, Commissioners Schiller, Field, Bauer, Brauer and Perez. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Van Scoy.

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Gladhill
Development Services Manager

ATTEST:

JoAnn Shaw
Planning Division Secretary

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