



PROCEEDINGS OF THE IRONWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION
Thursday, July 2, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Thursday, ~~July 2~~ 2020 via Zoom video conferencing.

1. Call to Order: Chair Davey called the meeting to Order at 5:00 p.m.
2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Mark Surprenant		X	X	
Bob Burchell		X	X	
Stephanie Holloway	X			
Sam Davey	X			
David Andresen	X			
Nancy Korpela	X			
Joe Cayer ex-officio, non-voting member	X			
Mark Silver	X			
	6	2	Quorum	

Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Specialist Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the June 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Silver to approve the June 4, 2020 Meeting Minutes. Second by Holloway. Motion Carried 5 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Silver to approve the Agenda. Second by Andresen. Motion Carried 5 to 0.

5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items on the Agenda (three-minute limit): None.
6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items not on the Agenda (three-minute limit): None.
7. Discussion on Future Land Use Map Revision and Rezone of 777 E. Ayer Street, Ironwood, MI.
 - A. Director Bergman said that Burton Industries is looking at 777 E. Ayer St. to expand their operations. He talked about revisions to the Future Land Use Map as an option to move forward with the rezoning of the property to Industrial Zoning. If that is the direction, then two public hearings will take place. Mark Leman and Gary Burnett addressed the Commission and talked about the job creation that will come with the expansion. They talked about also donating land to the Miners Memorial Heritage Park to provide an adequate buffer to the park. Director Bergman has been in discussion with the Friends of the Miners Park and some are in favor and others are indifferent. The Planning Commission gave Director Bergman direction to move forward with the Future Land Use Map revision and rezone of the parcel.
8. Items for discussion and consideration.
 - A. Strategy 6.8(a) Update on Master Arts Plan.
 - I. No update.
 - B. Comprehensive Plan Implementation Status of Priority Action items.
 - I. Strategy 3.1(a) Update the Zoning Ordinance and Adult Use Marihuana Establishment Ordinance.
 - a. Director Bergman said that they have created a schedule to address the ordinance. He is also working with the MEDC to get the consultants back on board.
 - II. Strategy 4.2 Prepare Wayfinding Mater Plan.
 - a. Director Bergman said that they have been focusing on the gateway signs. He talked about taking a step back from the wayfinding master plan because it was so complicated.
 - III. Downtown Development Plan and TIF Plan Project (Downtown Blueprint Plan).
 - a. Director Bergman gave an update on the project and said that once the plan is completed it would be adopted into the Comprehensive Plan. The TIF would capture future taxes to then funnel directly to the downtown.

9. Other Business: Director Bergman said that he is doing a Comprehensive Plan update to present to the City's Boards and Commissions.

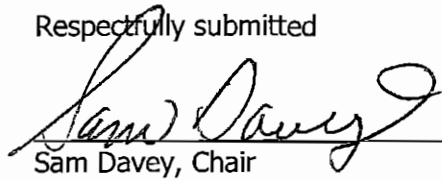
10. Next Meeting: Thursday, August 6, 2020.

11. Adjournment:

Motion by Silver to adjourn the meeting. Second by Holloway. Motion Carried 5 to 0.

Adjournment at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Sam Davey, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Specialist