



PROCEEDINGS OF THE IRONWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION
Thursday, August 6, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Thursday, August 6, 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			
Bob Burchell		X		X
Stephanie Holloway		X	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 July 2, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Surprenant to approve the July 2, 2020 Meeting Minutes. Second by Korpela. Motion Carried 5 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Silver to approve the Agenda. Second by Korpela. 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. Items for Discussion and Consideration.

A. Public Hearing and Consideration of PC Case 2020-003 Zoning amendment to I-1 District for 777 East Ayer St.

- I. Davey read the public hearing procedure. Director Bergman introduced the project. Mark Leman with Burton Industries addressed the Commission. Davey opened for public comment; there was none.

Motion by Silver to rezone the property to Industrial with the condition that only light industrial uses are allowed and then when an employment district and/or light industrial district is created in the zoning ordinance that this parcel is rezoned accordingly. Also, that when a portion of the property is donated to the City that it is rezoned to the Open District. Second by Korpela. Motion Carried 5 to 0.

B. Strategy 6.8(a) Update on Master Arts Plan.

- I. Korpela was able to discuss with Howard Sandin. She believes that this project is still a go for InvestUP and that Sandin is looking for additional funding. She is looking at adopting a similar plan to Marquette. They discussed incorporating the arts plan into the Ironwood Economic Development Corporation Marketing Plan.

C. Annual Report and Comprehensive Plan Review.

- I. Director Bergman presented the annual report.

Motion by Silver to recommend to the City Commission to adopt the annual report. Second by Surprenant. Motion Carried 5 to 0.

D. 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 the MEDC is requiring the zoning ordinance to be completed before the City moves onto the TIF plan. The Marihuana Establishment Ordinance will be on the City Commission Agenda for August 24. Director Bergman presented the Adult Use Marihuana Establishment map.

II. Strategy 4.2 Prepare Wayfinding Mater Plan.

- a. Erickson gave an update and stated that they are waiting for MDOT to move one of their signs. Bids will be sent out this year.

III. Downtown Development Plan and TIF Plan Project (Downtown Blueprint Plan).

- a. Director Bergman stated that the plan won't begin until 2021.

8. Other Business: None.

9. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 3, 2020.

10. Adjournment:

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

Adjournment at 5:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Sam Davey, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Specialist