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Planning Commission Agenda

TO BE HELD in the Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room, 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938

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1. Call meeting to order.
2. Recording of the Roll.
3. Approval of the February 5, 2026, Meeting Minutes.
4. Approval of the Agenda.
5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding items on the agenda (Three-minute limit).
6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding items not on the agenda (Three-minute limit).
7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. Comp Plan Update.
 - B. Discuss 2026 Goals.
 - I. Zoning Ordinance Revision
 - II. Surplus Property Policy and Inventory
 - III. Sidewalk Policy
8. Other Business.
9. Next Meeting: April 2, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
10. Adjournment.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE IRONWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION

Thursday, February 5, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Thursday, February 5, 2026, in the City of Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room.

1. Call to Order: Sam Davey called the meeting to Order at 5:00 p.m.
2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair.

Nomination of Davey by Silver as Chair of the Planning Commission.

Motion by Silver to elect Davey as Chair of the Planning Commission. Second by Grant. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

Nomination of Kutchke by Silver as Vice-Chair of the Planning Commission.

Motion by Boelter to elect Kutchke as Vice-Chair of the Planning Commission. Second by Silver. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

3. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Sam Davey	X			
Scott Bissell		X		
Klaus Kutschke	X			
Mark Silver	X			
Vacant	X			
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Grant Boelter	X			
Steve Frank ex-officio, non-voting member	X			
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Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

4. Approval of the December 11, 2025, meeting minutes.

Motion by Kutchke to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Silver. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

5. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Silver to approve the agenda. Second by Kutchke. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items on the Agenda (three-minute limit): None.
7. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items not on the agenda (three-minute limit): None.
8. Items for Discussion and Consideration.

- A. Discuss and consider recommendation to adopt 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Plan:

Motion by Silver to recommend to the City Commission to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan as presented. Second by Boelter. All in favor. Motion carried 4 to 0.

- B. Comp Plan Update: Director Bergman talked about the letters that were sent to interested parties as required by the Michigan Planning Enabling Act. The public hearing will be scheduled for April. Staff will do some social media posts and newspaper publication for citizen review. Some small changes to the pedestrian network has happened since publishing the draft to the website. The review process will maintain as the changes weren't significant. Redevelopment Ready Communities is anticipated to fund the Zoning Ordinance update after adoption of the new Comprehensive Plan.
- C. Discuss and consider 2026 Goals (Zoning Ordinance Revision, Surplus Property Policy and Inventory, Sidewalk Policy): Director Bergman discussed the three goals identified. Silver asked about storage units as a potential goal. Bergman has a goal of trying to better understand the enforcement process with the City Attorney to become more efficient with bringing properties into compliance. Streamlining enforcement process should be a goal. Frank asked about adding blight as a goal.

Motion by Kutchke to approve the amended goals with inclusion of storage units and nuisance ordinance. Second by Silver. All in favor. Motion carried 4 to 0.

9. Other Business: None.
10. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at the Ironwood Memorial Building.
11. Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned by Davey.

Adjournment at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Sam Davey, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant