

TOWN OF HAYMARKET PLANNING COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING ~ MINUTES ~

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15000 Washington Street, Suite 100 Haymarket, VA 20169

Monday, September 18, 2023

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

A Public Hearing/Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission of the Town of Haymarket, VA, was held this evening in the Council Chambers, commencing at 7:00 PM.

Chairman Robert Hallet called the meeting to order.

I. Call To Order

Chairman Robert Hallet: Present, Vice Chairman Alexander Beyene: Present, Commissioner Jerome Gonzalez: Present, Commissioner Pankaj Singla: Present, Commissioner Walt Young: Present.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Rob Hallet invited everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Oath of Office

At this time, Town Clerk Kim Henry administered the Oath of Office to the newest Planning Commission member, Walt Young.

IV. Public Hearing

1. Public Notice

After Town Clerk Kim Henry read the public notice into the record, Chairman Rob Hallet opened the floor for public comment.

2. Citizen Comments

There were no citizens present wishing to address the subject of the public hearing.

3. Close Public Hearing

With no citizen comments, Chairman Hallet closed the public hearing.

V. Citizens Time

Mayor Ken Luersen spoke during citizens time welcoming both Commissioner Singla and Commissioner Young to the Planning Commission.

VI. Minute Approval

1. Planning Commission - Regular Meeting - Aug 14, 2023 7:00 PM Commissioner Gonzalez moved to adopt the minutes from the August 14, 2023 Planning Commission meeting. Commissioner Singla seconded the motion. The motion carried.

RESULT:

ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Jerome Gonzalez, Commissioner

SECONDER:

Pankaj Singla, Commissioner

AYES:

Hallet, Beyene, Gonzalez, Singla, Young

VII. Agenda Items

1. Consideration of Resolution 2023-013: Resource Protection Area Map

Town Planner Thomas Britt shared that the Town did not have a resource protection area map in the Town's Comprehensive Plan. He stated, however, that it is required through the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act (CBPA). He provided the map for the Commission to review and made some legend edits as suggested by the Commission at the last meeting and the contact from DEQ. Mr. Britt provided a draft resolution for consideration. +

Commissioner Beyene moved for the Town of Haymarket Planning Commission adopt a map amendment adding a resource protection area map to the Town of Haymarket's

Comprehensive Plan set out in Resolution #2023-013. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote.

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: SECONDER: Alexander Beyene, Vice Chairman Jerome Gonzalez, Commissioner

AYES:

Hallet, Beyene, Gonzalez, Singla, Young

VIII. Old Business

Town Planner Thomas Britt provided Old Business updates to the Planning Commission. He shared that staff is still working on obtaining bids for the Town park sidewalk. He also shared that the construction of Pulte town houses in Crossroads Village Center are moving quickly and smoothly. He stated that he is coordinating with the supervisor to schedule more zoning release inspections. He also shared that the homes in the Robinson Paradise development are close to being ready for sale.

Mr. Britt gave the update on the Kiddie Academy site plan and stated that staff is working on the final site plan submitted.

IX. New Business

Town Planner Thomas Britt shared that he will be providing a bulk of comprehensive plan updates for the next meeting, to include Architectural Review Board guideline edits. He also shared that staff has received all permitting requirements for construction to start at the Taco Bell site. He also shared that staff is working with civil engineering regarding the Bleight Drive town homes.

X. Architectural Review Board Updates

Chairman Hallet reiterated what Town Planner Thomas Britt shared with the ARB working on the guidelines. He stated that the ARB will continue working on the guidelines at their next meeting.

XI. Town Council Updates

Councilmember Beyene shared that after much deliberation at the last Town Council meeting, the Council voted to demolish the Town Park building and to construct a pavilion in its place. He shared it was not an unanimous vote but there were some compromises to the plan, such as incorporating some architectural historic elements into the pavilion. He also shared that the Town Council appointed Mr. Young to the Planning Commission at their September meeting.

Lastly, Mr. Beyene shared that the Council discussed increasing the members on the Planning Commission. He shared that the Council discussed several options and brought for the subject of a non voting member. He stated that the Town Council directed him to seek Planning Commission opinion on a non voting member. The Commission discussed the subject in detail and asked for staff to reach out to other localities to see if they have non voting members on any of their boards.

XII. Adjournment

With no further business before the Planning Commission, Commissioner Beyene moved to adjourn with a second by Commissioner Singla seconded the motion. The motion carried.

1. Motion to Adjourn

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Alexander Beyene, Vice Chairman

SECONDER:

Pankaj Singla, Commissioner

AYES:

Hallet, Beyene, Gonzalez, Singla, Young

Submitted:

Kimberly Henry, Clerk of the Council

Rob Hallet, Chairman

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