

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, January 16, 2019
City Council Chambers
2400 Washington Avenue
Newport News, Virginia

PRESENT: Daniel L. Simmons, Jr., Chairman; Katie Stodghill, Vice-Chairwoman; Willard G. Maxwell, Jr.; Sharyn L. Fox; Mark W. Mulvaney; Michael F. Carpenter; Zachary E. Wittkamp; Elizabeth W. Willis; N. Steve Groce; (Staff: Sheila McAllister, Director of Planning; Flora Chioros, Assistant Director – Current Planning; Johnnie Davis, Planner; Lynn Spratley, Deputy City Attorney; Nyoka Hall, Zoning Administrator; Christin Frank, Zoning Coordinator)

ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy City Attorney Lynn Spratley called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.

Mr. Mulvaney read the Planning Commission's purpose as stated in Section 15.2-2210 of the Code of Virginia. He made a motion to adopt the agenda before the Planning Commission. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion. The City Planning Commission voted to adopt the agenda by acclamation.

INVOCATION

Dr. Maxwell presented the invocation.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ms. Spratley presided over the meeting and opened the floor for the nomination of Chairman for the Planning Commission. Mr. Mulvaney made a motion to nominate Mr. Simmons as Chairman. Ms. Fox seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, the nominations were closed. Ms. Spratley called for a vote for the position of Chairman.

Vote on Roll Call

For: Maxwell, Fox, Mulvaney, Carpenter, Simmons, Stodghill, Wittkamp, Willis, Groce

Against: None

Abstention: None

The City Planning Commission voted unanimously (9:0) to elect Mr. Simmons to the position of Chairman.

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After being elected Chairman, Mr. Simmons presided over the meeting. He thanked his fellow commissioners for electing him Chair. Mr. Simmons opened the floor for the nomination of Vice-Chairman. Ms. Fox made a motion to nominate Ms. Stodghill as Vice-Chairwoman. Ms. Willis seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, the nominations were closed. Mr. Simmons called for a vote for the position of Vice-Chairman.

Vote on Roll Call

For: Maxwell, Fox, Mulvaney, Carpenter, Stodghill, Wittkamp, Willis, Groce, Simmons

Against: None

Abstention: None

The City Planning Commission voted unanimously (9:0) to elect Ms. Stodghill to the position of Vice-Chairwoman.

MINUTES

The minutes of the December 19, 2018 public hearing were approved as presented.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Ms. McAllister congratulated Mr. Simmons and Ms. Stodghill on their appointments as Chairman and Vice-Chairwoman.

Ms. McAllister stated on January 15, 2019, the Board of Zoning Appeals approved a special exception to reduce the transitional buffer area for 756 McGuire Place.

Ms. McAllister stated the February 6, 2019 public hearing will include a conditional use permit to allow a pre-school with childcare as part of a community facility at 311 Selden Road and a zoning text amendment to re-define communications towers and their regulations.

Ms. McAllister asked Ms. Willis to present information on the Denbigh-Warwick Area Plan design charrette held January 9, 2019 and January 10, 2019. Ms. Willis stated there was a nice community turnout and a lot of opinions were shared and discussed. She stated we will be waiting for the consultant to present their findings. Ms. McAllister stated we may be having another community meeting in February or March in order to bring back what was heard at the design charrette and show some ideas of designs for the public sites along Warwick Boulevard and the Grissom Library site.

Ms. McAllister stated last night, January 15, 2019, we had a community meeting to update the community on the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI). She stated it was an update on the implementation process and what has been done thus far. Ms. McAllister stated there was a good turnout and it was a good meeting. Ms. Fox asked if the federal government shutdown has affected the decision on the city's application.

Ms. McAllister stated yes, but in the meantime we will be moving forward with implementation.

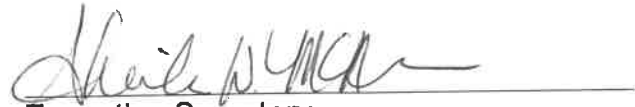
COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Carpenter stated the Regulations Committee met today, January 16, 2019, and had a lively debate regarding short-term rentals and food trucks on private property. He stated he does not know when they will be coming to the Planning Commission.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:08 P.M.



Recording Secretary



Executive Secretary