

**CITY OF COVINGTON
Planning Commission Minutes**

October 6, 2016

City Hall Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Max called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 6:39 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chele Dimmett, Jennifer Gilbert-Smith, Jonathan Ingram, Jim Langehough, Paul Max and Alex White

MEMBERS ABSENT – Bill Judd

STAFF PRESENT

Richard Hart, Community Development Director
Salina Lyons, Principal Planner
Sara Springer, City Attorney (by phone)
Kelly Thompson, Planning Commission Secretary

Mr. Hart introduced the new Planning Commissioner, Jonathan Ingram.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

- **1. Commissioner Dimmett moved and Commissioner White seconded to approve the September 1, 2016 minutes and agenda. Motion carried 6-0.**

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Status & Review on Sign Code Revisions (Supreme Court Decision: Reed v. Gilbert)

Community Development Director, Richard Hart provided the Planning Commission an updated copy of the proposed Interim Sign Code. Mr. Hart reviewed the process that the Planning Commission will be following including public outreach and a public hearing.

The Planning Commissioners asked questions related to the maintenance of land following removal of a temporary sign, size of flags allowed, and enforcement of signs that are not in compliance.

Ms. Springer shared that more revisions and corrections will be made to the final draft of the Sign Code Revisions prior to adopting the interim regulations.

PUBLIC HEARING

3. Public Hearing on Amendments to CMC 16.10 State Environmental Policy Act policies and procedures, CMC 14.30 Permit Decision Types and CMC 14.45 Appeal Procedures.

Principal Planner, Salina Lyons provided background on the need for changes to the previously listed code sections.

Vice Chair Max opened the Public Hearing.

There was no public comment.

- **Commissioner Dimmett moved and Commissioner Ingram seconded to recommend to the City Council that they approve the proposed amendments to CMC 16.10 State Environmental Policy Act procedures and policies, CMC 14.30 Permit Decision Types regulations and CMC 14.45 Appeal Procedures. Motion carried 6-0.**

4. Public Hearing on Amendments to Repeal CMC 18.100 Property Specific Development Standards/Special Overlay Districts.

Vice Chair Max opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Hart shared that staff found that CMC 18.100 is out of date and no longer applicable. Staff recommends repealing this code.

Elizabeth Porter, Covington resident, requested that if any of the codes being repealed will affect green space or the environment and that the Planning Commission consider the impacts of those before approving to remove the codes.

The Planning Commission asked questions of staff and received clarification.

- **Commissioner Dimmett moved and Commissioner White seconded to recommend the to the City Council that they approve the repeal of CMC Chapter 18.100 Property Specific**

Development Standards/Special Overlay Districts. Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS - None

ATTENDANCE VOTE

- **Commissioner White moved and Commissioner Gilbert-Smith seconded to excuse the absence of Chair Judd. Motion carried 6-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

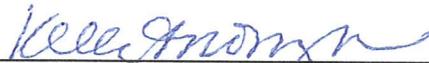
COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Mr. Hart reviewed several acronyms that are commonly used in planning and land use. The next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting will be held on October 20, 2016.

ADJOURN

The October 6, 2016 Planning Commission Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelly Thompson, Planning Commission Secretary

