

Saint Paul Planning Commission

City Hall Conference Center Room 40

15 Kellogg Boulevard West

Action Minutes

August 7, 2015

8:30 - 11:00 a.m.

I. Approval of minutes of July 10, 2015.

Chair Wencl announced that the minutes are not available at this time.

II. Chairs Announcements

III. Planning Director's Announcements

IV. PUBLIC HEARING: Gold Line Station Area Plans – Item from the Neighborhood Planning Committee. (continued from the July 24th public hearing). (Bill Dermody, 651/266-6617)

MOTION: *Commissioner Oliver moved to close the public hearing, leave the record open for written testimony until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2015 and to refer the matter back to the Neighborhood Planning Committee for review and recommendation. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

V. Zoning Committee

SITE PLAN REVIEW – List of current applications. (Tom Beach, 651/266-9086)

Three items to come before the Site Plan Review Committee on Tuesday, August 11 2015:

- Capitol Ridge Hotel – Reconstruct existing parking lot and other site improvements at 161 St. Anthony Avenue.
- Children's Museum – Small expansion of existing museum building at 10 West 7th Street.
- Saint Paul Parks – Expand existing parking lots at Como Park and associated site improvements at 1225 Estabrook Drive.
- Keg and Case Market (Preliminary meeting) – Renovate existing building at Schmidt Brewery site for commercial use and build a parking lot at 928 West 7th Street.

OLD BUSINESS

#15-134-559 Taco Bell/Border Foods – Conditional use permit for drive-through sales and to increase the maximum number of off-street parking spaces, and variances of minimum floor area ratio (0.5 required, 0.11 proposed), window and door openings of front façade length (50% required, 47% proposed), and interior parking lot landscaping (15% required, 12% proposed). 565 Snelling Avenue North, SW corner at Edmund. (*Jake Reilly, 651/266-6618*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Padilla moved to refer this case back to the Zoning Committee's next meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2015. The motion carried 16-1 (Noecker) on a voice vote.*

NEW BUSINESS

#15-138-295 Joan Bassing – Reestablishment of nonconforming use as a triplex. 900-902 Jenks Avenue, between Forest and Mendota. (*Bill Dermody, 651/266-6617*) ‘

MOTION: *Commissioner Padilla moved to refer this case back to the Zoning Committee's meeting on Thursday, August 27, 2015. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

#15-139-934 Kowalski Companies – Rezone from R2 One-Family residential to B2 Community Business. 1261 Grand Avenue, NE corner at Syndicate. (*Mike Richardson, 651/266-6621*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Padilla moved the Zoning Committee's recommendation to approve the rezoning. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

VI. Transportation Committee

Robert Street Transitway Alternatives Analysis - Approve resolution supporting conclusion of the alternatives analysis. (*Michelle Beaulieu, 651/266-6620*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Lindeke moved the Transportation Committee's recommendation to approve the resolution. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

VII. Big Picture Project: 2015 Progress Report – Informational presentation by Gretchen Nicholls, Program Officer, Twin Cities LISC.

VIII. Comprehensive Planning Committee

IX. Neighborhood Planning Committee

X. Communications Committee

XI. Task Force/Liaison Reports

XII. Old Business

XIII. New Business

XIV. Adjournment

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Planning Commission Members: PLEASE call Sonja Butler, 651/266-6573, if unable to attend.