

Saint Paul Planning Commission

City Hall Conference Center Room 40

15 Kellogg Boulevard West

Action Minutes

January 25, 2019

8:30 - 11:00 a.m.

I. Approval of minutes of January 11, 2019

Chair Reveal announced that the minutes are not available at this time. However, they will be ready for approval at the next Planning Commission meeting.

II. Chairs Announcements

Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers.

III. Planning Director's Announcements

IV. Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee

Muskego Church-2375 Como Avenue West – Consider recommendation of updated local heritage preservation site designation study for new proposed boundary. (*Anton Jerve, 651/266-6567*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Mouacheupao moved on behalf of the Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee to approve the updated local heritage preservation site designation study for new proposed boundary. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

Gold Line Station Area Plan – Recommend amendments to the adopted plan (2015) and forward to the Mayor and City Council. (*Bill Dermody, 651/266-6617*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Mouacheupao moved on behalf of the Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee to approve the amendments to the adopted plan (2015) and forward to the Mayor and City Council for adoption. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

V. Zoning Committee

SITE PLAN REVIEW – List of current applications. (*Tia Anderson, 651/266-9086*)

NEW BUSINESS

#18-134-557 Canadian Pacific Railway Retarder Tower Addition - Conditional use permit for a building addition not elevated on fill above the regulatory flood protection elevation in the flood fringe district. 1000 Shop Road. (*Josh Williams, 651/266-6659*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Baker moved the Zoning Committee's recommendation to approve the conditional use permit subject to additional conditions. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

OLD BUSINESS

#18-126-865 Twin Cities German Immersion School – Variances for maximum building height (30' allowed, 33' -1" proposed), maximum lot coverage (35% allowed, 36% proposed), and minimum off-street parking (87 spaces required, 50 spaces proposed). 1031 Como Avenue, between Argyle and Churchill. (*Josh Williams, 651/266-6659*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Baker moved the Zoning Committee's recommendation to deny the variance. The motion carried 6-6 tie vote, no action taken.*

MOTION: *Commissioner Baker moved the Staff's recommendation to approve the variance. The motion carried 6-6 tie vote. Chair Reveal stated that she believes that with a tie vote the chair breaks the tie vote, resulting in approval. (Later the City Attorney opined that this was not a proper vote)*

#18-117-556 Twin Cities German Immersion School – Site Plan for a 3-story building addition. 1031 Como Avenue, between Argyle and Churchill. (*Tia Anderson, 651/266-9086*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Baker moved the Staff's recommendation to approve the site plan review. The motion carried a 7-5 vote. (Later the City Attorney opined that this was not a proper vote).*

VI. PUBLIC HEARING: Ford Zoning and Public Realm Master Plan – Item from the Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee. (*Menaka Mohan, 651/266-6093*)

MOTION: *Commissioner Mouacheupao moved to close the public hearing, leave the record open for written testimony until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2019 and to refer the matter back to the Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee for review and recommendation. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

VII. Transportation Committee

VIII. Communications Committee

2018 Planning Commission Annual Report.

Planning Director's report on achievements during 2018.

IX. Task Force/Liaison Reports

X. Old Business

XI. New Business

XII. Adjournment

Information on agenda items being considered by the Planning Commission and its committees can be found at www.stpaul.gov/ped, click on Planning.

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