



Planning and Zoning Department

Minutes

Planning Commission Meeting

City Council Chambers, City Hall

100 East Carolina Avenue

Tuesday, November 26, 2017 5:30p.m.

PURSUANT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT SC CODE 30-4-80: WRITTEN NOTICE WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRESS BY EMAIL ON NOVEMBER 22, 2017 AND DULY POSTED IN CITY HALL.

Members present: Chairman Curtis Lee, Vice-Chairman Sandi Brown, Casey Hancock, and Mark Stellingworth. **Absent:** Chris Shirley. **Guest:** Suzy Moyd. **Staff:** Brenda Kelley. **Press:** Absent.

Call to Order/Minutes

Chairman Curtis Lee called the meeting to order at 5:33pm. Chairman Lee then presented the September 27, 2017 meeting minutes for approval. Sandi Brown made a motion to approve the minutes with the clarification that the minutes that were tabled were the July 25, 2017 minutes as submitted. Sandi Brown seconded. All in favor.

New Business

Spondulits – 110 East Carolina Avenue – Historical Designation

Suzy Moyd of Spondulits was present to receive comments from the Planning Commission regarding her request for a historic designation for 110 East Carolina Avenue (portion of the former Southern Candy Kitchen). Mrs. Moyd presented her request to the Architectural Review Board during its Special Meeting on Monday, November 20, 2017. The board voted unanimously to make a recommendation to City Council to give 110 East Carolina Avenue a historic designation. The Historic Preservation Ordinance requires the Architectural Review Board to make a recommendation to City Council. It also requires comments from the Planning Commission prior to submitting the recommendation to City Council.

Mrs. Moyd was seeking the designation in order to apply for the special property tax assessment known as the Bailey Bill. The Bailey Bill allows local governments to offer a property tax abatement to encourage the rehabilitation of historic properties. For a period of no more than 20 years, the local government can lock in a special property tax assessment based on the property's fair market value prior to rehabilitation.

In advance of the meeting, Mrs. Moyd provided the same packet of information that she had provided to the Architectural Review Board, which included an application, an appraisal, a narrative that supports her criteria for historic designation, documents from the Historical Society, newspaper articles, and pictures of the building. Chairman Bobby Goodson shared a story about his experience at Eli's (Southern Candy Kitchen).

The Planning Commission supported the Architectural Review Board's recommendation.

Hartsville Vision 20/30

Chairman Lee provided a timeline for the comprehensive plan from kickoff meeting to submission to City Council. The Planning Commission would hold a couple of joint meetings with City Council throughout the process. Quarterly meetings were proposed for March, June, and September to get public input and update them on the progress of the plan.

He also provided his recommendation for the most efficient way to accomplish the plan. All the committees would host meetings on the same day and in the same location. The committees would meet in the same venue hopefully in adjacent rooms. Facilitators Dick Puffer and Bill Perry will float between the meetings. Staff liaison Brenda Kelley was asked to secure a venue for the kickoff meeting and the monthly meetings.

The commissioners reopened a previous discussion to add two additional members especially as they gear up for the comprehensive plan. Staff liaison Brenda Kelley was asked to check with the city clerk to determine the process.

There being no further business, Casey Hancock made a motion to adjourn at 7:40p.m. Mark Stellingworth seconded. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 18, 2017 at 5:30p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Signature

Date