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PLANNING COMMISSION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017, 6:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

7840 ROSWELL ROAD, BUILDING 500

MINUTES

Call to Order

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Chairman Frostbaum, Vice Chair Porter, Commissioners Settles, Nickles, Haggard and Maziar

Absent: Commissioner Johns

General Announcements

The rules and procedures were read into the record.

Approval of Agenda - September 28, 2017

PC Agenda 9.28.17

Commissioner Maziar moved to approve the agenda with a second from Commissioner Nickles, passing via a unanimous voice vote, 6-0-0.

Approval of Minutes - July 20, 2017

PC Minutes 7.20.17

Commissioner Nickles made a motion to approve the Minutes from July 20, 2017. Commissioner Haggard seconded the motion with the Minutes being approved with a voice vote of 6-0-0.

Items

1. 001533 **Character Area Map**

An Ordinance to amend the Character Area Map, an element of the Comprehensive Plan. The intent is to correct errors and to ensure consistency with the Zoning Map.

**deferred from July mtg*

CAM Changes 09282017

Changes Table 09282017

Character Areas Update_09282017

Ms. Susan Heard spoke in opposition, specifically regarding a townhome community (Windsor Place & Park) that should be Protected Neighborhood status.

Commissioner Maziar has objections to some changes but too lengthy to review and vote on each individually. Those specific to her concerns were numbers 92-108 with particular attention to #s 103, 94, 98, 99, 107 and 108.Commissioner Nickles had concerns on protected neighborhoods with Commissioner Porter noting Glenlake Aria.

After discussion, the following motions (amendments to the CAM) were made:

Commissioner Nickles requesting Windsor Place & Park to remain PN not UN with Commissioner Settles seconding and the motion carrying unanimously. Commissioner Maziar moved for #98 & 99 to remain UN with Commissioner Nickles providing a second, the motion carried. Vice Chair Porter made a motion for #53 & 54 to remain UN because negotiations between neighborhoods. Commissioner Nickles seconded. At this point, Commissioner Haggard made a motion to approve the Character Area Map with the amendments voiced by the other Commissioners with Commissioner Nickles seconding this motion which passed via unanimous voice vote.

2. 001534 **TA17-0005**

An Ordinance to Amend Division 8.3, Signs, Article 8, Site Development, of the Sandy Springs Zoning Ordinance.

TA17-0005 Final Package

Ms. Tochie Blad spoke in opposition, not in favor of LED.

Mr. Scott Peters, representing Billboard and Advertisement Association. (Out Front Media), spoke in support while explaining applicable state requirements.

Much discussion ensued with the PC engaging City Attorney Dan Lee in the clarification of the Text Amendment which in this case only applies to condemnation. Commissioners Nickles and Maziar voiced a need for more time to examine the language with Commissioner Maziar asking how many signs in the City.

Commissioner Nickles made a motion to approve and require Mayor and City Council to review and vote on the negotiated location between the Community Development Director and the sign owner at a public hearing. Commissioner Maziar seconded for discussion. Commissioners Settles and Haggard agreed this is an issue to be in front of the public. As discussion continued with City Attorney Lee responded to questions from the Planning Commissioners and detailing the language of the ordinance to provide further clarification.

Commissioner Nickles called for a vote to the motion which failed with a voice vote, 3-2-0. Commissioner Maziar moved to deny with Commissioner Nickles providing the second.

Continued discussion. Commissioner Nickles amended the motion that the City Council votes to approve or deny the agreement between the CDD and the sign company. Commissioner Maziar agreed. Due to Commissioner Nickles amending the motion which he seconded, a new second was sought. In order to correct the motions and seconds, Commissioner Maziar withdrew her motion (clarification with the motion) with the Chair asking for a new motion. Commissioner Haggard moved to approve Agenda item 001534. No second. Commissioner Settles made a motion to approve Agenda item 001534 while also including language to allow public information for a public hearing or other notification to the public. Commissioner Nickles seconded with the motion passing via voice vote, 3-2-0.

On-Going Business

Chairman Frostbaum noted the change in Community Development with the Director's position having recently changed.

New Business

None at this time.

Public Comments

None at this time.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Unanimous motion was made via voice vote to adjourn the meeting.