



UNAPPROVED MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK PLANNING COMMISSION Work Session – February 28, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Those present were: Commissioners Cavin, Fraser, Kiekow, Turner, and Borer; Planning Assistant Hayes-Regan, Associate Planner McDermott, Planning Director Mogush, and Principal Planner Turnquest.

Those excused were: Councilmember McGarvey.

Those absent were: Wako and Gaye-Bai.

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

None.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS/GENERAL ACTION ITEMS

C.1 Zoning Code Update

A. 150 Signs

Facilitated by Principal Planner Turnquest and Associate Planner McDermott, the commissioners received a presentation from staff and reviewed proposed text amendments to Chapter 150 - Signs of the City of Brooklyn Park Zoning Code.

A discussion followed the presentation. Comments that the Planning Commission made included: further clarification is needed about prohibited flashing signs and language about how future amendment changes are adopted. Commissioners also discussed signage located on residents' property alongside public easements and other general administration of the signage code.

B. 151 Subdivisions

Facilitated by Principal Planner Turnquest and Associate Planner McDermott, the commissioners received a presentation from staff and reviewed proposed text amendments to Chapter 151 – Subdivisions of the City of Brooklyn Park Zoning Code.

A discussion followed the presentation. Comments that the Planning Commission made included language consistencies that align with City standards.

C. 153 Stormwater

Facilitated by Principal Planner Turnquest and Associate Planner McDermott, the commissioners received a presentation from staff and reviewed proposed text amendments to Chapter 153 – Stormwater of the City of Brooklyn Park Zoning Code.

After Staff stressed that this zoning code chapter is very technical and primarily administrated by the City's Engineering Department, Commissioners engaged in

conversation about the addition of definitions, whether there was a connection about underground stormwater drainage with previous planning cases, and the sustainability of water usage by emergency services.

D. 152 Article 1 – Administration and Article 2 – Zoning Districts

Facilitated Associate Planner McDermott, the commissioners received a presentation from staff and reviewed proposed text amendments to Chapter 152 – Article 1 – Administration and Article 2 – Zoning Districts of the City of Brooklyn Park Zoning Code. Specifically, Associate Planner McDermott walked the Commissioners through a supplemental usage table to provide an overview of changes for the Chapter. Planning Director Mogush also walked the Commissioners through the updated zoning areas as they were drafted in the presentation.

After the presentation, Commissioners engaged in discussion about the proposed changes. Comments that the Planning Commission made centered around further clarification about overnight recreational vehicle parking or camping in the City's zoning areas, Commissioners also engaged in conversation about existing and future uses in the zoning code. Associate Planner McDermott shared that the draft usage table was mostly unchanged from the existing usage table.

Staff shared that the City Attorney will be reviewing the Commissioner's comments, and reviewed the timeline for First and Second Readings of the text amendment changes that will go before City Council.

4. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. COUNCILMEMBER LIASON COMMENTS

None.

B. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

None.

C. STAFF LIASON COMMENTS

None.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Chair Fraser adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Mogush
Planning Director