

## UNAPPROVED MINUTES

### MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK PLANNING COMMISSION Work Session – April 24, 2024



#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM.

Those present were: Commissioners Fraser, Arah, Cavin, Gaye-Bai, Turner, Udomah, and Wako; Planning Assistant Hayes-Regan, Associate Planner McDermott, Planning Director Mogush, and Principal Planner Turnquest.

Those excused were: Councilmember Liaison McGarvey; Commissioner Korosso.

Those absent were: Commissioners Borer

#### 2. GENERAL INFORMATION

None.

#### 3. DISCUSSION ITEMS/GENERAL ACTION ITEMS

##### C.1 Zoning Code Update

##### A. Section 152 Article 3 Development Standards

Facilitated by Principal Planner Turnquest the commissioners reviewed proposed text amendments to Chapter 152 –Development Standards of the City of Brooklyn Park Zoning Code.

Principal Planner Turnquest walked the commissioners through the proposed redlined changes and commented that many of the changes were technical in nature. The commissioners were generally in agreement with the proposed changes. The commissioners commented about the use of “City Manager” throughout the land usage code and voiced concerns about naming an individual’s interpretation as a determining factor for code interpretation. Planning Director Mogush appreciated the comment and noted that references to the City Manager in the zoning code are interpreted to mean the City’s Planning Staff.

The commissioners also discussed several other items that Staff considers part of phase two of the zoning code update. Those items included: parking regulations, property setbacks, fencing materials and requirements, property line determinations, and solar rights.

#### 4. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### A. COUNCILMEMBER LIASON COMMENTS

None.

##### B. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Udomah asked whether there was an update about the issue of an increase in garbage in the City. Planning Director Mogush said he did not have an update for the meeting, but that Staff continue to investigate the issue. Associate Planner McDermott noted that the May 9, 2024 State of the City may be a venue to ask the question.

**C. STAFF LIASON COMMENTS**

Associate Planner McDermott updated commissioners about the Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area (MRCCA) Open House that took place earlier in the day. In addition to Planning Staff, The City's Interim Engineer was available to answer resident's questions.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Chair Fraser adjourned the meeting at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Mogush  
Planning Director