

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING, HELD AT 7 P.M., APRIL 26, 2010, 711 NORTH GALLOWAY AVENUE, MESQUITE, TEXAS

Present: Chairman Jane Ann Cruce, Vice Chairman Richard Allen, Commissioners Jack Akin, Barbara Dunn, Larry Allen, Terry Tosch, Alternate Mike Potter
Absent: Commissioners Bob Johnson, Alternate Donna Adams
Staff: Director of Community Development Richard Gertson, Manager of Planning Jeff Armstrong, Senior Planner Garrett Langford, Planner Liz Butler, Deputy City Attorney Liz Lunday, Administrative Secretary Kim Attebery

Chairman Cruce called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 12, 2010, MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Tosch and seconded by Ms. Dunn to approve the minutes of April 12, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS – TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD MULTI-FAMILY DISTRICT

A. Consider amendments to the Comprehensive Plan to create and modify land use and development policies related to multi-family residential development.

B. Consider an amendment to the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance to create a new zoning classification to be known as the Traditional Neighborhood Multi-Family District (TNMD), which shall include new or amended procedural requirements, standards for site design, and regulations affecting building form, building design, setbacks, parking, landscaping, and permitted uses (Zoning Text Amendment File No. 2010-2).

Jeff Armstrong briefed the Commission on the case, summarizing the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

Richard Gertson briefed the commission on the request summarizing the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

Richard Allen stated that he embraces the idea but realizes there will be resistance. Mr. R. Allen believes there are benefits to each of the different types of developments discussed and Chairman Cruce agreed. Mr. Akin asked about density and Mr. Armstrong stated that there were none specified. Staff and Commission discussed the proposed changes and development types.

A motion was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Tosch to approve the amendments to the Comprehensive Plan (item II.A). The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Tosch to approve the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (item II.B). The motion passed unanimously.

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Report on recent City Council action.

Richard Gertson reported on recent and upcoming Planning and Zoning items.

There being no further business for the Commission, Chairman Cruce adjourned the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Jane Ann Cruce, Chairman