

CITY OF GREENACRES

OFFICIAL MINUTES TRACKING

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Date: 8-16-17

Motion By: Buzek Seconded By: Garcia

Check One: ☒ Approved ☐ Tabled ☐ Denied Vote: 4/0

Changes requested by Council or Board? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, note changes: _____

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CITY OF GREENACRES, FLORIDA

OFFICIAL MINUTES PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.**

The Planning Commission meeting was called to order on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., with Chairwoman Edmundson presiding. Melody Larson, Assistant to the City Clerk called the roll.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present:

Ann Edmundson, Chair
Tacara Chambers, Vice Chair
Estelle Friedman
Robert Clements
Joel Flores

Staff Present:

Kara Irwin-Ferris, Zoning Administrator
Melody Larson, Assistant to the City Clerk

Public Attendance: 0
Press Attendance: 0

Absent:

Jack Buzek
Larry Tronco

2. **Agenda Approval:** Additions, deletions, or other revisions to the agenda.

Chairwoman Edmundson asked if there were any additions, deletions, or revisions to the agenda; hearing none, the agenda was approved.

3. **Approval of Minutes:** None.

4. **Cases:**

- A. **ZTA-16-04** This zoning text amendment proposes to revise Chapter 16, Article VI
Ord. 2017-02 relating to signage; to provide regulations for LED changeable copy signs for public purposes in the City's Government Use (GU) zoning district and provide updates to the regulations for permitted identification signage. This is a City-initiated request for a text amendment to revise the Sign Code.

Kara Ferris, Acting Planning and Engineering Director, presented the proposed changes to the City's sign code regulations allowing LED changeable copy signs for government use, public purposes only with non-commercial messages in Government Use (GU) zoning districts, increasing the logo areas from 25% to 50%, allowing multiple colors and trademark designs. She explained that the purchase of two (2) LED changeable copy signs were included in the FY 2017 Budget to be located at the Fire Department (fka Station #1) at 2995 South Jog Road and at Station 2, 5095 South Haverhill Road. These changes are intended to meet the demand for public information while keeping up with technology standards.

Acting Director Ferris noted that exceptions to prohibited signs are time/temperature, gas station and ground signs for government use and that language was being added to prohibit advertising for off-site businesses in any form. She stated staff recommends approval of ZTA-16-04.

Commissioners and staff discussed schools generating funding by using off-site advertising and its legal ramifications.

Chairwoman Edmundson opened the floor to the public. She asked if anyone was in favor of, or opposed to, Ordinance 2017-02 to come forward. Seeing no one come forward, she closed the floor to the public and called for a motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Clements made a motion to recommend approval of ZTA-16-04 as presented by staff. Vice Chairwoman Chambers seconded the motion.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: **In favor:** Chairwoman Edmundson, Vice Chairwoman Chambers, Commissioners Friedman, Clements and Flores.

Motion: 5 – 0.

5. Discussion Items:

Building Height Ordinance

Acting Director Ferris announced that an ordinance addressing building height and providing for a maximum number of stories with specific height criteria would be forthcoming. Upcoming petitions for consideration include a couple of churches and Target outparcels following a variance approval scheduled for March 7, 2017.

Current Development Projects Underway

Acting Director Ferris reported on four (4) ongoing projects: 1) the widening of South Haverhill Road that began in January, 2) site clearing of the Whitney Park (aka Bowman Pine) project consisting of 24, 2-story, single-family homes; 3) Las Rambas, fourteen (14) single-family homes north of Lake Worth Road, west of South Jog Road, and 4) Santa Catalina, a project consisting of 29 townhomes and 14,000 sq. ft. of office space. She noted that the City is 99% built out.

Chairwoman Edmundson noted that a park analysis would be forthcoming based on Council's request to conduct a survey of City park amenities that resulted from the recent Community

Meeting held at Rambo Park. She explained that Rambo Park currently has unused tennis courts that were being used to play soccer.

Acting Director Ferris confirmed that Council requested a survey of City amenities, e.g. tennis courts, pools, parks, basketball courts, etc. The recent Community Meeting held at Rambo Park resulted in requests for improved lighting for basketball courts and additional parking. The meeting was to gauge residents' needs since demands have changed.

Commissioner Flores explained that he coaches at the Community Center, where the City runs a youth basketball league. The public users are prevented from using the courts which forces them to look elsewhere for the nearest park to play. He asked if historical data comparing park levels of service was available.

6. Concluding Remarks:

RV's & Trucks Parked in Driveways

Commissioner Friedman asked if large RV's parked in driveways was the only criteria to meet Code requirements.

Acting Director Ferris reviewed some of the new weight, height and size requirements for RV's recently adopted by Council.

Sidewalks

Commissioner Friedman asked if sidewalks along 38th Street were being proposed for both sides of the street. Acting Director Ferris noted that the Public Works Department had included a CIP project for sidewalks using surtax funds.

7. Adjournment of Planning Commission.

Chairwoman Edmundson declared there was no further business to discuss and adjourned the Planning Commission meeting at 7:38 p.m.

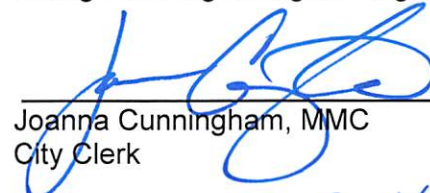
Planning Commission


Ann Edmundson, Chairwoman



Respectfully submitted:


Kara L. Irwin-Ferris
Acting Planning & Engineering Director


Joanna Cunningham, MMC
City Clerk

Date of Approval: 8-16-17

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