

CITY OF HASTINGS
DRAFT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
December 6, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chairman Hatfield with the following Commissioners present: Lois Bowers, Lynn Denton, Chelsey Foster, Tom Maurer, Sarah Moyer-Cale, John Resseguie, Dave Tossava, and Dave Hatfield. Commissioners absent: Jordan Brehm

Also present: Community Development Director Dan King. Planning Consultant Rebecca Harvey was not initially present, but arrived at 7:45 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda. It was moved by Commissioner Bowers and seconded by Commissioner Tossava to approve the agenda with no changes. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes. It was moved by Commissioner Foster and seconded by Commissioner Bowers that the draft minutes of the meeting of November 1, 2021 be approved. All members present voting yes, motion carried. It was moved by Commissioner Tossava and seconded by Commissioner Bowers that the draft minutes of the Joint Planning Commission/City Council meeting of November 1, 2021 be approved. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Informative Items: King noted that Rutland Township gave final approval of their master plan.

Public Hearings: Chairperson Hatfield opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. to accept comment on a proposed text amendment to Article 90-IX by adding Division 90-IX-8, Sections 90-914 and 90-915 pertaining to Accessory Dwelling Units and related amendments to Article 90-IV pertaining to District Regulations. Seeing and hearing no members of the public, Chairperson Hatfield closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

The Planning Commission held discussion on the proposed text amendment. Sections d, e, h, l, and p were discussed in detail. It was decided that additional work was needed on subsection d. Motion by Tossava, seconded by Maurer to postpone action on the matter until the January Planning Commission meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Receive JPA/JPC Update. No update was available as the meeting had been cancelled.

General Work Task List. No significant updates other than items covered under New Business.

Tracking of Terms and Conditions. King noted that the tracking list is up to date.

Two Family Dwellings as Permitted Use in R2. Chairperson Hatfield noted that the committee met two weeks ago and discussed potential regulations for expanding two family dwellings in the city. No recommendations are being made at this time and further study is needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Set Public Hearing for text amendments regarding auto repair and similar facilities:

Discussion was held on the memorandum from Planning Consultant Rebecca Harvey. Motion by Bowers and seconded by Foster to postpone action on the item until a future meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Meeting Schedule for 2022: Motion by Tossava with support from Bowers to approve the 2022 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule. All members present voting yes; motion carried.

Open Public Discussion and Comments: None.

Commissioner Comments: Chairperson Hatfield noted that Commission Foster was stepping away from serving on the Planning Commission in the coming year. Hatfield said he was sorry to see Foster go and that he had been a good contributor to the group. Foster noted that he hopes to return to the commission in the future. Hatfield also thanked all the Commissioners for their efforts this year.

Adjournment: It was moved by Bowers and supported by Tossava that the meeting be adjourned. All members present voting yes, motion carried at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Moyer-Cale,
Recording Secretary