



MINUTES

Committee on Development and Planning

Monday, June 5, 2017 @ 3:00 p.m.

Council Conference Room, City Hall 10th Floor

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 3:07 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Member Brown Clarke, Chair

Council Member Yorko, Vice-Chair- left the meeting at 4:29 p.m.

Council Member Houghton, Member

Council Member Hussain, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff

Jim Smiertka, City Attorney

Brandon Waddell, Assistant City Attorney

Eric Pratt, LEAP

Elaine Womboldt

Kathy Miles

Katie Johnson

J.P. Buckingham, Tri Terra

Scott Schmidt

Brant Johnson

Kevin McKinney, McKinney and Associates

Katie Cook, WKAR

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM MAY 15, 2017 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED. 4-0

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HUSSAIN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM MAY 23, 2017 AS PRESENTED. 4-0

DISCUSSION/ACTION

RESOLUTION- Appointment of Tim Lloyd; At Large Member to the Board of the Zoning Appeals; term to expire June 30, 2018

Mr. Lloyd was not able to attend, and the resolution was moved to the Committee meeting on June 12th at 4:45 p.m.

RESOLUTION – Appointment of Katie Johnson; At Large Member of the Planning Board; term to expire June 30, 2018

Ms. Johnson spoke briefly on her current career working with Make Safe program, and her education which includes a Masters with Wayne State in Urban Planning.

Committee members spoke in support of Ms. Johnson's efforts and interest for taking a role on the Planning Board.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER YORKO TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF KATIE JOHNSON TO THE AT LARGE MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

RESOLUTION – Brownfield Redevelopment Plan # 68; 513 & 515 W Ionia Street; Belen Buildings Redevelopment Project

Mr. Pratt recapped for the Committee that the agenda item was for the final approval, related to a redevelopment of 2 structures that have sat vacant for 5-6 years and formally the Belen Floral. The public hearing was held, and the Brownfield Authority supports the request unanimously. Council Member Hussain reiterated that at the public hearing the public spoke in support of it. There were no comments or questions from the Committee.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOUGHTON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT PLAN #68. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

RESOLUTION- Brownfield Redevelopment Plan # 69; 221 West Saginaw Avenue Redevelopment Project

Mr. Pratt forwarded an apology from the applicant, Motion Properties, Inc., for their scheduling conflicts and not being able to attend. Mr. Pratt then recapped that in November 2016 Council approved an OPRA for the site which is a former church. During the renovation the owners ran into environmental issues that now need to be remediated. Council Member Brown Clarke noted there were no public comments in opposition to the project at the hearing. Mr. Pratt answered a question from the Public Hearing by Council Member Wood on the fiscal impact. He assured the Committee that since it is using a revolving fund, there is no impact on local taxing jurisdictions.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER YORKO TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT PLAN #69. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

DISCUSSION – Chapter 1300; Medical Marihuana Ordinance

The Committee reviewed the recent DnP Ordinance Draft 6.5.17 with reference to the document that came from the last meeting, Draft #6D May 16, 2017 which highlighted the zoning references for the Committee on Development & Planning.

Council Member Brown Clarke directed the Committee through DnP Ordinance Draft 6.5.17 with a comparison to the highlighted version noted as "pink copy" due to the tag on the document.

Page 4, lines 10-14 remained the same.

Page 4, lines 18-19 were new.

Page 4, lines 42-45 remained the same.
Page 5, lines 35-37 were new.
Page 5, lines 39-40 remained the same.
Page 5, lines 42-46 remained the same.
Page 6, lines 1-2, remain the same.
Page 6, lines 4-9 were new.
Page 6, lines 11-12 were new.
Page 6, lines 14-26 were new.
Page 6, lines 18-35 remained the same, along with lines 41-46.
Page 7, lines 2-12 were new, and lines 14-34 remained the same.
Page 8, lines 4-46, 1300.3 were all new.
Page 9, lines 2-17, the conclusion of 1300.3 were also new.

Council Member Hussain asked why “Medical Marijuana Facilities” was moved in the order, which Council Member Brown Clarke noted because it would now be before the types of facilities.

Council Member Yorko stepped away from the meeting at 3:41 p.m.

Page 11, lines 29-39 were new.
Page 12, lines 32-37, item (17) was new.
Page 13, lines 15-18, item (22) was new.
Page 14, lines 23-27 remained the same.
Page 14, lines 44, item 27 was new and continued onto page 15, lines 1-7.
Page 15, lines 33-36, item (2) is new.
Page 16, lines 11- 28 were all new.
Page 16, lines 30-46 were all new.
Page 17, lines 1-27 were new.
Page 17, lines 44-46, item (D) in 1300.7 were new and went onto page 18, lines 1-4.
Page 18, line 14-17, lines 28-29 and lines 31-38, item (F).
Page 19, lines 1-19 were new.
Page 19, lines 4-19 were new.
Page 19, lines 29-30 were new.
Page 19, lines 37-40 were new.
Page 20, lines 18-38 included some new items, so the Committee was asked to look at all the lines.
Page 21, lines 39-44 remained the same.

Council Member Yorko returned to the meeting at 3:44 p.m.

Page 22, lines 1-6 remained the same.
Page 22, lines 8-16 were new.
Page 22, lines 18- 23 were new.
Page 22, lines 31-35 were new, and lines 37-46 remained the same.

The Committee referred Council Member Brown Clarke back to page 18, on the distance limitations. Council Member Brown Clarke noted they were moved to 1300.13.

Council Member Yorko stepped away from the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

Page 23, lines 2-13 remained the same.

Page 23, lines 15-18 remained the same, but was missing "MTA".
Page 23, lines 35-40 remained the same.
Page 25, lines 5-6 remained the same.
Page 25, lines 39-41 remained the same.
Page 26, lines 17-18 remained the same.
Page 27, lines 33-36 remained the same.
Page 28, lines 42-44 remained the same.

Council Member Yorko returned to the meeting at 4:17 p.m.

Page 29, 1300.13 was all new.
Page 30, lines 1- 32 were new.
Page 31, lines 4-5 were new.
Page 31, lines 17-18 were new.
Page 33, lines 18-46, 1300.18 were new.
Page 34, lines 1-37, the continuation of 1300.18 were new.
Lastly, the sunset date on page 34 was changed to 2027.

Council Member Brown Clarke stated she would work with Council staff on taking the new language into red color, and "strike-out" the old language, then provide that to the Committee by noon on Tuesday, June 6th. That version will then be sent to whomever signed in with an email.

Council Member Yorko left the meeting at 4:29 p.m.

Ms. Womboldt provided her opinion that Rejuvenating South Lansing worked on the creation of the Medical Marihuana Ordinance, and noted members attended the Committee on Public Safety meetings over the last 17 months. Ms. Womboldt stated her understanding that the version 6D would be discussed at the next Committee of the Whole meeting, and she was frustrated that at this meeting she wasn't given a copy of the ordinance to follow along during the outlined provide by Council Member Brown Clarke. Ms. Womboldt continued with her frustration that she believed there was no public input at this meeting, but they had public input at the Public Safety meetings, and she also added her belief there was a motion that the discussion would be held at the Committee of the Whole meeting, and there was a motion by Public Safety that discharged the document to Council to set a hearing. Council Member Brown Clarke explained to Ms. Womboldt that every Committee has a scope of responsibility and a large portion of the Medical Marihuana is around zoning. The Committee on Public Safety addressed public safety and code, and now D & P addresses zoning. Council Member Brown Clarke reminded Ms. Womboldt that the ordinance language did not make it out of Public Safety in 2016 and some of that had to do with the language changes at the State level, and a request for a pause. Council Member Brown Clarke provided examples of what zoning is being reviewed including definitions on playground equipment, and parks, and also the distance setbacks. This Committee is not being unprofessional, but doing their due diligence. Council Member Brown Clarke pointed out that with a turnaround in a week and before the already scheduled Committee of the Whole meeting, these recent comments will address with zoning. Ms. Womboldt again accused Council Member Brown Clarke of being unprofessional because she was not provided a copy of the ordinance the Committee was looking at, then asked for the other Committee members to comment. Council Member Brown Clarke stated that that the Committee was asked to provide their comments from the last meeting marked draft to her to compile. Ms. Womboldt stated she wanted to review the document and provide her comment because she believed Council Member Brown Clarke rewrote the ordinance without the public knowing the changes. Council Member Brown Clarke assured Ms. Womboldt that the

suggested changes from discussions, recommendations, comments and discussion with other entities and State representatives. She also noted that if there was public comment before D & P did their due diligence, then the public would comment on a document that could change again after D & P.

Council Member Brown Clarke stated that the changes will be reflected under a new draft and she will speak to Council Member Hussain as the Committee on Public Safety Chairperson, and get a recommendation from Law.

Council Member Hussain explained his understanding of the process thus far, that which was D & P to provide input, and then have discussion on those changes and receive advise from Law on those changes. Then that input, and after public hearing, all input would be taken back to Public Safety and Public Safety will decide if they need to make those changes. Council Member Brown Clarke suggested that during the conversation at Committee of the Whole they could talk about the items from D & P, but it would be confusing with comments on the Public Safety version and the D & P comments. Therefore she is trying to look at zoning and then at Committee of the Whole a comprehensive discussion for Public Safety and D & P. Council Member Hussain voiced his concern because when the ordinance was reviewed at Public Safety the Committee gave their consensus on any changes, which did not occur at D & P with these comments. He also noted that the ordinance has already gone to the Planning Board. Council Member Brown Clarke acknowledged those steps, however reminded everyone that at one point the City Attorney asked for a 60 day pause, and there was an understanding that there were no discussions until Law directed them. She then stated she would initiate a conversation with Council President Spitzley on what her plans are for the process.

Mr. Smiertka added in that under the legislative process and the Council Rules, any one Council Member can bring a competing ordinance to the floor. He also confirmed that the concepts currently on the table in this meeting are different then what Public Safety would look at. Council Member Brown Clarke clarified she was not proposing a competing ordinance, but offering comments on practices that were not in 6D. Mr. Smiertka suggested she rename this latest version "D & P #1" and strike out and drop in her suggested language.

Mr. Smiertka recapped his understanding that there were four items of focus in this proposed draft; commission vs. no commission; limitation on provisioning center vs. different numbers; other ordinance limits through zoning, and the zoning issues with applicant, provisioning centers and not transporters.

Ms. Miles asked if there would be a final decision made on Monday at the Committee of the Whole meeting. Council Member Brown Clarke noted that the Committee of the Whole Monday, will see if for the first time as that body, and they will hold a discussion. Council Member Hussain encouraged Council Member Brown Clarke to reach out to Council President Spitzley on the layout of the Committee of the Whole agenda and how the D & P Chairperson will address the changes since currently the Committee has discussed or concurred with consensus on any of them. Council Member Brown Clarke stated she will also do a cover memo to highlight the changes.

Council Member Brown Clarke stated she would work on the overarching differences, but did not want to do overage on the work of Public Safety.

Adjourn at 5:15 p.m.

Submitted by, Sherrie Boak,

Recording Secretary,
Lansing City Council
Approved by the Committee on June 19, 2017