



MINUTES

PLANNING COMMISSION - REGULAR Session Meeting

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 North Plains Senior Center 7:00 PM

**COMMISSIONERS
PRESENT:**

Chairperson Stewart King; Vice Chairperson Heather LaBonte
Planning Commissioners: Garth Eimers, James Fage, Lonnie
Knodel, Doug Nunnenkamp

**COMMISSIONERS
ABSENT:**

N/A

STAFF PRESENT:

Lori Lesmeister

OTHER:

City Planner Heather Austin;

1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stewart King called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair King led the Planning Commission in the flag salute.

3 ROLL CALL

4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a) Review and approval of October 12, 2016, Regular Session Minutes

Commissioner King noted corrections that needed to be made on the minutes from the October 12, 2016 minutes. Lori Lesmeister will make the corrections and email them to King for approval.

Move to approve Regular Session Minutes from October 12, 2016 meeting with discussed corrections. Moved by Commissioner Eimers. Second by Commissioner LaBonte. Motion was approved unanimously.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT:

None were forthcoming

6 PUBLIC HEARING:

- a) None Scheduled

7 NEW BUSINESS:

- a) None Scheduled

8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) None Scheduled

9 PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

10 STAFF COMMENTS

- a) Commissioner LaBonte stated that there are residents on the corner of Main and Pacific, as well as Main and Claxter that have done major pruning on trees in their yards and have put the branches/debris in the ditches along the street. Lesmeister said she will pass this information on to City Manager Blake Boyles.
- b) Commissioner Fage asked about the possibility of requiring builders to put solar panels on new homes. He wondered if it was too late to make it a requirement on subdivisions that are already in process. Austin stated it is not too late, but it would require a code change. The Planning Commission would need to make a recommendation to Council. She feels a discussion with the developers is in order. Because we are not to the Master Plan stage of either the East or North Annexations there is still time to make recommendations. It was stated that McKay Creek Crossing has homes with solar panels. Eimers noted that it may affect how homes are laid out on the property. It was suggested to Fage that he research what has been done in other communities, and to reach out to Lenar (McKay Creek Crossing).
- c) King stated that he is disappointed with the City Council on their vote on the North Annexation. King was at the Council Meeting on November 7, 2016 and feels that the Council's concern over SB1573 is There is concern that if the North Annexation ends up being denied it will cost the city thousands of dollars in appeals costs.

11 ADJOURNMENT:

Regular meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT TO WORK SESSION

- a) Work Session: Review Municipal Code Chapter 16.80 sign Standards

Submitted by:

Blake Boyles, City Manager / City
Recorder

Date Minutes Approved _____