



PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES of August 11th 2020

Members of the Buena Vista Planning Commission met in at the Oyler Pavilion, Glen Maury Park at 7:00 PM on August 11th, 2020. Roll was called but a quorum for voting was not met. Because four members were present, the meeting was conducted.

Members Present:

Marolyn Cash
Dennis Hawes, Chairman
Melvin Henson, City Council Representative
Michael Ohleger, Vice-Chairman

Members Absent:

Sandy Burke
Lucy Ferrebee
Preston Manuel
Jay Scudder, Ex Officio member
Bradyn Tuttle

Staff Present:

Tom Roberts, Director of Community & Economic Development

Meeting is called into order. Mr. Hawes stated that because we had four members present, the Commission could conduct business but not conduct a final vote on any matter. That would require five members. As such, he planned to conduct the meeting and figure out a way to get full votes on the items later.

REGULAR MEETING

Public Comment

None

Review and Adoption of Minutes

Mrs. Cash motioned to approve as presented, Mr. Ohleger seconded, and those present voted to approve. The vote was not official because of the lack of quorum.

Secretary's Report

- Connect BV downtown revitalization planning proceeds – Studio Ammons under contract as consultant for plan. Kickoff in coming weeks.
- Former TnT's Restaurant building will soon be an outpatient clinic for Augusta Health. Renovations are currently underway; opening date not known.

- The City was just awarded a grant for a mural downtown, a project which was planned by Action BV, the community group for downtown revitalization and economic development.

Old Business

None

New Business

PUBLIC HEARING

Plan of development approval for single family home in the 400 block of Beverly Hollow Lane

Steve Douty, surveyor representing the applicant (Dylan Smith), spoke first. He said that everything was in the packet, but that he wanted to note that he had been up Beverly Hollow Lane multiple times over the years, and to his recollection the road and yards were always well-maintained.

Mr. Roberts spoke and briefly explained that the review by Planning Commission and City Council was required because all development in R6 Residential PUD requires a plan of development. He then noted that he had spoken with John Rowsey, Fire Chief, about accessibility of the site to emergency vehicles. Mr. Rowsey had taken a fire truck up Beverly Hollow to the site as an exercise, and had no trouble with the road. Mr. Henson spoke and echoed Mr. Rowsey's assessment of the road condition.

A family member of the applicant noted on the topic of emergency services that the street sign for Beverly Hollow on Rt 501 had been stolen several years ago and never replaced. Mr. Roberts replied that he had spoken with Public Works and that there was supposed to be a sign there, and that he would follow up with them.

Mr. Ohleger said that he had no objections to the proposal, and Mr. Hawes stated that the site looks good and the packet prepared for the meeting was thorough.

Mr. Ohleger motioned to recommend approval, Mr. Henson seconded, and the four members presented voted yes. The vote was not official because of the lack of quorum.

Adjournment 7:19 PM

Approved: _____