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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS  
HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL  
BUILDING, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Chair Vitale.

Roll Call: Chair Vitale  
Evola, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Nederhood, Richardson, Vaughn

Absent: Ismail

Also Present: Building Official Tutag  
Recording Secretary Babij

Also in  
Attendance: Council Member Sucher, PC Representative

Motion by Evola, seconded by Gilezan, that Planning Commission Member Ismail be excused from tonight's meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Evola, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Nederhood, Richardson, Vaughn, Vitale  
NO: None  
ABSENT: Ismail

Motion by Richardson, seconded by Fuller, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Evola, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Nederhood, Richardson, Vaughn, Vitale  
NO: None  
ABSENT: Ismail

Chair Vitale welcomed Council Member Sucher, as Planning Commission Representative, for being in attendance at tonight's meeting.

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Motion by Fuller, seconded by Evola, regarding **Approval of Minutes**, that the Planning Commission Meeting minutes dated May 26, 2009 be approved with the following amendment:

- "Hamborsky" be removed as a member of the Dumpster Evaluation Committee on page 2.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Evola, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Nederhood, Richardson, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None

ABSENT: Ismail

The next item on the agenda was **Outdoor Patio Review: Salvatore Scallopini, 19655 Mack Ave.** Building Official Tutag introduced the request and indicated departmental recommendations. Owner Larry Bongiovanni was present for questions. Discussion Ensued.

Motion by Hamborsky, seconded by Vaughn, regarding **Outdoor Patio Review: Salvatore Scallopini, 19655 Mack Ave.**, that the Outdoor Café Permit be **approved** subject to the following guidelines:

1. Approval by the State Liquor Control Commission
2. Hours of operation on the patio shall coincide with the hours of Salvatore Scallopini's
3. No signs or advertising are permitted on the patio
4. Fence and furniture shall not be installed prior to April 1 and shall be removed by November 1
5. Furniture used on the patio must be black wrought iron

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Evola, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Nederhood, Richardson, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None

ABSENT: Ismail

The next item on the agenda was **Introduction of Project: Mack & Lochmoor.** Building Official Tutag introduced the project indicating that the proposed development would remove a residential property and replace it with a two story commercial building. Chair Vitale explained that the project was only being presented and that no vote would be taken.

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Tom LeFevre, owner of the property, was present for questions and stated that he wanted to see if this project would be of interest to the community before they start the process. Hearing no objections a sketch of the proposed project was received and placed on file.

Chair Vitale indicated that it was a viable project. Building Official Tutag notified Mr. LeFevre that in order to be placed on the July Planning Commission agenda he would have to have all documents and fees in to the City by Thursday, July 2, 2009.

The next item on the agenda was the **Building Official's Monthly Report**. Mr. Tutag reported the following:

- Mr. Tutag is now a Certified Zoning Official, one of twelve in the State.
- Permit activity remains high due to home improvements.
- Foreclosed homes continue to be bought and refurbished.

Building Official Tutag asked the Commission if they would like to continue the video training that took place at the Workshop Meeting prior to tonight's meeting. Consensus of the Commission was to continue. Chair Vitale called for a **Workshop Meeting in July** for continuing training.

Chair Vitale congratulated Building Official Tutag on his certification.

Commission Member Hamborsky gave the **June 2009 Council Report**:

June 1, 2009 Meeting:

- First Reading of Ordinance to Amend Chapter 50, Zoning. Article II Administration and Enforcement as recommended by the Planning Commission. No language was changed.

June 15, 2009 Meeting:

- A fence variance was granted.

The following **Subcommittee Reports** were provided:

**Dumpster Evaluation** (*Evola/Ismail/Vitale*) – Commission Member Evola recommended one of the following regarding the Subcommittee:

1. Dissolve the Subcommittee
2. Combine with another Subcommittee
3. Forward to Administrator Wollenweber for resolution

Brief discussion ensued and Chair Vitale suggested the Subcommittee meet one more time to determine a plan of action. No meeting was set at this time.

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**2020 Plan** (*Hamborsky/Ismail/Vitale*) – Chair Vitale stated that the 2020 Plan was discussed at the earlier Workshop Meeting.

There was no **New Business** to report.

Motion by Evola, seconded by Richardson, to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting at 8:20 p.m. Passed unanimously.