

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON NOVEMBER 26, 2019, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:26 p.m. by Chair Profeta.

Roll Call: Chair Profeta
Planning Commissioners: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Ketels, Vaughn, Vitale
Absent: Rozycki
Also Present: City Attorney Berschback
Building Inspector Tutag
Deputy City Clerk Antolin

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Gilezan, that Commission Member Rozycki be excused from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Ketels, Profeta, Vaughn, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Rozycki

The Planning Commission, Administration, and the audience Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

The Chair recognized Council Representative Granger and Council Member McMullen who were in attendance.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Vitale, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance, as presented.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Ketels, Profeta, Vaughn, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Rozycki

Motion by Ketels, seconded by Fuller, regarding **Approval of Minutes**, that the following Minutes be approved as amended:

1. Planning Commission Minutes dated October 22, 2019.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Ketels, Profeta, Vaughn, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Rozycki

The first item was regarding **Discussion: Colonial Theme**. The Commission addressed the possibility of amending the Zoning Ordinance to eliminate specific reference to Colonial Themes.

The City Attorney summarized the previous discussion on this topic from the September 24, 2019, Planning Commission Meeting including the following comments:

- We have moved away from specific Colonial Theme. We are focusing on high quality material and products;
- The focus is more on scale, proportion and depth...etc.
- One specific design theme should not be required, but to eliminate the references to Colonial Theme, Williamsburg, and to create a less restrictive updated material list to encourage good material and new products on the market.

Approved by
Commission
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Motion by Ketels, seconded by Vaughn, regarding **Discussion: Colonial Theme**, to recommend that the City Council authorize the City Attorney to draft an ordinance for City Council's consideration eliminating specific references to the Colonial Theme and updating redesign standards ordinance, Section 50-373.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Ketels, Profeta, Vaughn, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Rozycki

Motion by Gilezan, seconded by Fuller to immediately certify the previous motion.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Ketels, Profeta, Vaughn, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Rozycki

The Commission requested the Building Official be present when the previous motions are presented to City Council.

The next item was the **Building Official's Monthly Report**, and the following items were presented for the month of October 2019:

- Strong activity and busy with inspections
- Indian restaurant opening soon
- Dance studio looking to put up blade signs

Chair Profeta reported on the November 18, 2019, Council Meeting. Commissioner Vaughn reported on the November 25, 2019, Council Meeting.

Commissioner Rozycki will be reporting on the December Council Meetings.

Under New Business, the following items were discussed:

- 2020 Plan** – Refresh the plan.
- Branding** – Consider eliminating this subcommittee. Maintain correspondence with The Avenue in the Woods Association.
- Crosswalk/Pocket Park** – Awaiting meeting with Commissioner Killeen.
- Streetscape** – Provide work product for next meeting.

Motion by Ketels, seconded by Bailey, to remove (disband) the Branding Subcommittee from Planning Commission.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Ketels, Profeta, Vaughn, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Rozycki

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The Commission requested Council Representative Granger to assist with having the 2020 Plan placed on the next Committee-of-the-Whole agenda.

Discussion ensued regarding the annual Planning Commission election of officers.

Chair Profeta reminded the Commission of his holiday dinner on December 10, 2020.

Under Public Comment, no one wished to be heard.

Motion by Bailey, seconded by Ketels, that the Planning Commission Meeting adjourn at 8:16 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul P. Antolin
Deputy City Clerk