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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2015, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by Chair Vitale.

Roll Call: Chair Vitale
Fuller, Hamborsky, Stapleton, Vaughn

Absent: Gilezan (arrived at 7:41), Profeta, Rozycki

Also Present: Building Official Tutag
Deputy City Clerk Gerhart

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Fuller, that Commission Members Gilezan, Profeta, and Rozycki be excused from tonight's meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Fuller, Hamborsky, Stapleton, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None

ABSENT: Gilezan, Profeta, Rozycki

Motion by Stapleton, 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: Fuller, Hamborsky, Stapleton, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None

ABSENT: Gilezan, Profeta, Rozycki

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Stapleton, regarding **Approval of Minutes**, that the Planning Commission minutes dated June 25, 2015, be approved as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Fuller, Hamborsky, Stapleton, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None

ABSENT: Gilezan, Profeta, Rozycki

The next item on the agenda was a **Continued Revision to Previously Approved Façade Change: Churchill's Bistro Cigar Bar, 19271 Mack Ave.** Building Official Tutag provided an

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overview of the project. He then outlined the updates to the plan that he and Chair Vitale reviewed with the petitioner. John Gumma of Etchen Gumma Limited, on behalf of Churchill's Bistro Cigar Bar, was present for questions and discussion. Mr. Gumma presented the Commission with sample building materials. The Chair appreciated the diligence that the architects had in getting the project to an acceptable state.

Recording Secretary's Note: Commission Member Gilezan was now in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Motion by Hamborsky, seconded by Fuller, regarding the **Revision to Previously Approved Façade Change: Churchill's Bistro Cigar Bar, 19271 Mack**, to approve the façade change as presented.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Stapleton, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None

ABSENT: Profeta, Rozycki

The next item on the agenda was **Discussion: Special Sign Subcommittee**.

At the June 25, 2015 Planning Commission meeting the idea of disbanding the Special Sign Subcommittee for lack of necessity was discussed. As a result of a recent Supreme Court ruling, Reed vs. Town of Gilbert, Arizona, regarding temporary signage regulation by municipalities, the Commission will review the courts decision at an upcoming meeting. The Commission decided to take no action on the issues until further discussion could be held at the August 25th Planning Commission meeting.

The next item on the agenda was the **Building Official's Monthly Report – June 2015**. Mr. Tutag reported the following:

- Plans will be submitted this week for the MedPost location at Mack and Van Antwerp;
- Progress is being made on the Rivers;
- A lot of residential work is being done in the City;
- The City is currently looking for a plumbing inspector;
- Progress has begun on the Briarcliff project, brick has been ordered and will be delivered in six to eight weeks;
- The Building Department is extremely busy.

Regarding the **July 2015 Council Reports**:

- Commissioner Vaughn reported that the City has changed the ordinance regarding the maximum allowable animals. He also reported that the Rivers is appealing their tax assessment.

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Chair Vitale will attend the Council Meetings in August.

Under **New Business**, the following **Subcommittee Reports** were provided:

2020 Plan – Commission Members Hamborsky, Vitale, Fuller and Gilezan had nothing to report.

Special Sign – Commission Members Vaughn, Stapleton, and Fuller had nothing to report.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Stapleton, that the Planning Commission Meeting be adjourned at 8:03 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Gerhart
Deputy City Clerk