



**CITY OF LONG LAKE
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JULY 8, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Erickson.

Present: Commission Members Adams, Erickson, and Hughes; City Administrator, Scott Weske; City Planning Consultant/Interim Zoning Administrator Addison Lewis; City Engineer Chris LaBounty; and Mayor Tim Hultmann.

Absent: Commission Member Jerde and Stephenson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Adams seconded. Ayes: all.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of the June 10, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting

Commissioner Adams moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Hughes seconded. Ayes: all.

OPEN CORRESPONDENCE

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing: IUP Ordinance Amendment – Amending Section 28A of the Long Lake Zoning Ordinance to Modify the Intent and Purpose of Interim Uses

City Planning Consultant/Interim Zoning Administrator Lewis explained the proposed amendments to Section 28A of the Zoning Ordinance to modify the intent and purpose of interim uses. He advised that these amendments were developed based on the comments recently made by the City Council. He noted that one amendment would be to move language from one section to another more suitable location and the other amendment would be to delete specific language regarding seasonal uses. He explained that seasonal

uses are better regulated by Conditional Use Permits (CUP). He noted that staff believes that these amendments would provide further clarity and recommends approval. He advised that a public hearing would be required and advised that the hearing had been properly noticed.

Commissioner Adams referenced the seasonal use of the hardware store and staff confirmed that the use was already being regulated by a CUP rather than an IUP. He confirmed that the only existing IUP would be the rowing club and questioned how that would fall under the amendment.

City Planning Consultant/Interim Zoning Administrator Lewis provided additional clarification.

Chair Erickson opened the public hearing at 6:42 p.m.

No comments were made.

Chair Erickson closed the public hearing at 6:42 p.m.

Commissioner Adams moved to recommend that the City Council adopt the proposed ordinance amending Section 28A of the Long Lake Zoning Ordinance to modify the intent and purpose of interim uses. Commissioner Hughes seconded. Ayes: all.

B. Public Hearing: Essential Services Ordinance Amendment – Amending Section 23 of the Long Lake Zoning Ordinance Regulating Essential Services

City Planning Consultant/Interim Zoning Administrator Lewis advised that the City Engineer is also present tonight to answer any additional questions. He stated that staff recommends approval of the ordinance amendment as proposed and noted that a public hearing is required. He provided additional information on the proposed amendment, noting that this amendment would remove the requirement that a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) be obtained for regular utility installation, which has become a burdensome process. He advised that the installation would still require staff review and noted that there is a threshold for high voltage, which would still require a CUP. He noted that a purpose subdivision is also proposed for the ordinance and briefly highlighted the other minor amendments proposed to the ordinance.

Mayor Hultmann noted that some of these amendments arose because of upcoming projects, such as the Water Town Road project.

Commissioner Adams stated that it appears that this amendment would simply shift the process from requiring review by the City Council and instead just focusing on staff review.

Chair Erickson opened the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

No comments were made.

Chair Erickson closed the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Commissioner Hughes moved to recommend that the City Council adopt the proposed ordinance amending Section 23 of the Long Lake Zoning Ordinance regulating essential services. Commissioner Adams seconded. Ayes: all.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Liaison Report

Mayor Hultmann reported that the City Council arranged a meeting regarding the Hennepin County turnback project in order to discuss additional safety measures including an additional left turn lane. He stated that there is also interest in trying to obtain a sign that flashes the speed limit as cars travel past. He stated that there is an interested party in the Billy's property and believed that if that moves forward they could approach the City in the next month or so. He also provided an update on other vacant properties in the City. He thanked the Commission for their time and efforts.

Commission Member Business

Commissioner Hughes advised that there is a new pastor at the local church and reported that Corn Days will be held on August 9th and 10th.

Commissioner Adams reported that there will be a Carp fishing tournament on August 9th as well.

Staff Business

City Administrator Weske had nothing further to report.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Adams moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Commissioner Hughes seconded. Ayes: all.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Weske
City Administrator