



**PLANNING COMMISSION**

Thursday, March 19, 2015

1. Roll Call – 7:00 P.M. – City Hall Community Room
2. Approval of Minutes – February 19, 2015 Regular meeting
3. Old Business
  - (a) Review and discussion of Single Family District amendments
  - (b) Review draft Non-motorized Facilities Plan
4. Updates
5. Adjournment



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February 19, 2015

A regular meeting of the City of Petoskey Planning Commission was held in the City Hall Community Room, Petoskey, Michigan, on Thursday, February 19, 2015. Roll was called at 7:00 P.M. and the following were:

Present: Gary Greenwell, Chairperson  
Dana Andrews  
Dean D. Burns  
James Holmes  
Elizabeth Looze  
Emily Meyerson  
Rick Neumann  
Cynthia Linn Robson  
Eric Yetter

Staff: Amy Tweeten, City Planner  
Lisa Denoyer, Administrative Assistant

Upon motion and support, the minutes of the January 8, 2015 special joint meeting were approved and the January 14, 2015 regular meeting minutes were approved with changes.

**Review First Draft of the Non-Motorized Facilities Plan**

Staff gave the Commission an overview of the updates and changes that had been made to the draft plan, reviewed sidewalk construction goals and objectives, implementation priorities and sidewalks that had been completed.

Commissioners discussed the; current ranking system for priority sidewalks, possibility of all facilities being placed on one map for easy comparison, potential for some streets to be narrowed to create room for a sidewalk, topography issues, and the potential for bike lanes.

Staff and Commissioners then discussed and reviewed Tables 2 and 3 and re-evaluated the priority street scores to see if there had been any changes in priority.

Due to time constraints, staff recommended that discussions continue at the March special meeting.

**Site Plan Amendment Request 630 W. Mitchell Street**

Staff reviewed the Michigan Department of Transportation's request for the Commission to reconsider the proposed change to the site plan, considering the change is needed to make the intersection safer for pedestrians and improve traffic flow. The existing parking lot islands would be replaced with an equal amount of greenspace at the corner of the property.

Commissioners discussed types of screening plant materials, location of screening, and visibility issues.

Commissioner Burns made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Andrews, to approve the site plan request with the following condition: salt resistant plant material screening, similar to McDonald's, be placed from the corner of US-31 and US-131 to the first existing parking lot islands.

Motion carried 9-0

### **Review and Discuss Single Family District Amendments**

Due to lack of time this discussion was postponed until the special March meeting.

### **Updates**

Staff informed the Commission that they may be receiving a site plan, for a proposed business on Standish Avenue, to review and discuss at their special March meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

Minutes reviewed and approved by Emily Meyerson, Secretary



**BOARD:** Planning Commission

**MEETING DATE:** March 19, 2015

**DATE PREPARED:** March 11, 2015

**AGENDA SUBJECT:** Discussion of ordinance amendments and non-motorized plan

**RECOMMENDATION:** Review/ Discussion

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The Commission will continue discussion from the March 12 meeting; please bring materials previously provided.