

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, AT CITY HALL, 1212 AVENUE M, HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS ON THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH 2020 AT 5:30 PM.

Members present: Hooten; Thompson; Carpenter; Nichols

Members absent: Jenkins; Woods; Whitehead

City staff present: Ridley; Larkins; Byal

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Hooten. [5:30 PM]

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

a. U.S. Flag

b. Texas Flag

3. INVOCATION

Vice-Chairman Hooten led the invocation.

4. PUBLIC HEARING to take testimony concerning the application for a Conditional Use Permit for relocation of the AT&T Service Center to the Downtown Development District (D).

Vice-Chairman Hooten announced that the Public Hearing has been postponed at the request of the applicant due to company travel restrictions in place in response to the COVID-19 public health threat. Public Hearing will be rescheduled for future meeting.

5. CONSIDERATION of the application for a Conditional Use Permit for the relocation of the AT&T Service Center to the Downtown Development District (D).

Postponed pending rescheduling of Public Hearing.

6. CONSIDER the Modification/Waiver of Subdivision Standards for and Minor Plat of the Reserve at Montgomery located in the City Limits of Huntsville.

City Planner, Janet Ridley, gave an overview of the requested Modification/Waiver of Subdivision Standards per the Staff Discussion Form, noting that there is a discrepancy between the required/recommended right-of-way widths for a primary arterial street in the updated Transportation Master Plan and the City's Development Code. Ridley noted that City Engineer, Y.S. "Ram" Ramachandra, supports the dedication of the additional right-of-way for Montgomery Road as shown on the submitted plat, (providing 55' of right-of-way from centerline of existing right-of-way). Staff recommends granting the Modification/Waiver of Subdivision Standards and approval of the Minor Plat as submitted.

Commissioner Thompson moved to grant the requested Modification/Waiver of Subdivision Standards and to approve the Minor Plat of the Reserve at Montgomery as submitted. Second was by Commissioner Nichols. The vote was unanimous.

7. CONSIDER the Minor Plat of Lot 1, Robinson Memorial Church of God in Christ located in the City Limits of Huntsville.

Staff Planner, Leigha Larkins, gave an overview of the plat per the Staff Discussion form, noting that the reason for Planning Commission consideration is for the dedication of right-of-way for Avenue M.

Commissioner Nichols moved to approve the Minor Plat of Lot 1, Robinson Memorial Church of God in Christ. Second was by Commissioner Carpenter. The vote was unanimous.

8. CONSIDER the minutes of the February 20, 2020 meeting.

Commissioner Nichols moved to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2020 meeting. Second was by Commissioner Thompson. The vote was unanimous.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

10. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Announcements concerning items of community interest from the Commission and City Staff for which no action was discussed.

- In response to the Public Health Threat posed by COVID-19, Planning Commission Meetings will be held by telephone conference going forward until further notice. The Planning Commission will meet on April 2, 2020 as scheduled.
- In response to the public health threat posed by COVID-19 all City sponsored events have been cancelled.

11. ADJOURNMENT

*Vice-Chairman Hooten called for the adjournment of the meeting. [5:39PM]
Commissioner Nichols moved to adjourn the meeting. Second was by Commissioner Thompson. The vote was unanimous.*