

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY,  
ARKANSAS, HELD MAY 10, 2016

The Planning Commission of the City of Siloam Springs, Benton County, Arkansas, met in regular session at the City Administration Building, Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mounger.

Roll Call:

Colvin, Engle, Blakely, Nation, Mounger, Williams – Present.

Smith – Absent.

City Clerk, Renea Ellis; City Planner, Ben Rhoads; City Attorney, Jay Williams; all present.

A copy of the April 12, 2016, regular minutes had previously been given to each Commissioner.

A motion was made by Blakely and seconded by Williams to accept the minutes.

Mounger called for a voice vote.

All Ayes. No Nays. Motion passed.

The first item on the agenda was Lot Split Development Permit, LS16-04, 2700 Block of Villa View Drive, Ronald Harp, by Civil Engineering, Inc. – Ron Homeyer, PE.

Ben Rhoads, City Planner, briefed the item, and explained the applicant requested tabling this item until next regular Planning and Zoning meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup>. A Motion to table was made by Williams and seconded by Colvin.

Roll Call:

Engle, Blakely, Nation, Mounger, Williams, Colvin – Aye.

6 Ayes. No Nays. Motion passed.

The next item on the agenda was a Significant Development Permit, SD-16-02, 1500 N. Mt. Olive Street, Siloam Springs School District, by Civil Engineering, Inc. – Ron Homeyer, PE. Ben Rhoads, City Planner, briefed the item. Ron Homeyer, Civil Engineering, 701 S. Mt. Olive, explained there is a need for more room to park buses, and employee parking for bus drivers. Ken Thomas, 403 Glenwood Place, stated they start the buses early in the morning to warm up during the winter. The noise and strobe lights on the tops of the buses are disruptive. Engle asked if there is a fence between the resident and lot. Thomas answered yes, but doesn't block the lights and noise. Williams asked if he has addressed this with the school board. Thomas answered no. Engle asked if zoning is compliant. Rhoads stated it is in the process of being rezoned to G-I. Thomas stated it would need to be an evergreen tree line to block the lights in the offseason. Jody Wiggins, Assistant Superintendent at Siloam Springs School District, stated 34 routes exit onto Cheri Whitlock; and they fire the buses up around 6-6:15am. Jay Williams, City Attorney, asked if the school owns property all the way to Cheri Whitlock. Wiggins answered yes; it's green space and used as soccer fields. Jay Williams asked if the school has any future plans to put up buildings/structures. Wiggins stated no, purposely left for green space. He then stated it is per the City's request to rezone to G-I. Nation asked about the ROW and walking trail. Rhoads answered yes, it's the City's ROW, and the walking trail does go through there. Engle asked about options. Thomas stated an evergreen tree line would be the best option due to bus height. Engle asked if there are any landscaping requirements. Rhoads answered yes, and they were met. A Motion to approve was made by Nation and seconded by Blakely.

Roll Call:

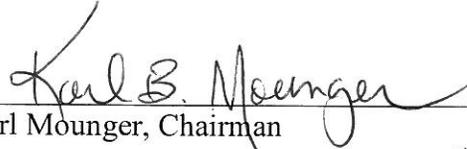
Blakely, Nation, Mounger, Williams, Colvin, Engle – Aye.

6 Ayes. No Nays. Motion passed.

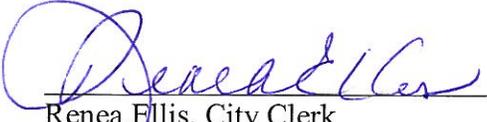
Chairman Mounger announced this will go to the Board of Directors on June 7, 2016.

There being no further business, a Motion was made by Colvin and seconded by Nation to adjourn. A voice vote was taken. All ayes. Meeting Adjourned.

APPROVED:

  
Karl Mounger, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Renea Ellis, City Clerk

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