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Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

1:30 PM

5th Floor Conference Room

Call To Order

Mr. Poole called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call

-- Present 8 - * Chair Rodney Poole, * Vice Chair Melvin Law, * Commissioner David Johannas, * Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Max Hepp-Buchanan, * Commissioner John Thompson, and * Commissioner Ellen Robertson

Chair's Comments

Mr. Poole welcomed all who were present.

Approval of Minutes

1. [PDRMIN
2019.001](#)

Attachments: [CPC Draft Minutes_Jan 7, 2019](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Johannas, seconded by Commissioner Murthy, that the January 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye -- 8 - * Chair Rodney Poole, * Vice Chair Melvin Law, * Commissioner David Johannas, * Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Max Hepp-Buchanan and * Commissioner John Thompson

Excused -- 1 - * Commissioner Ellen Robertson

Director's Report

- Richmond 300 Update

Mr. Olinger stated the parking meetings were wrapped up last week. We are working on planning for focus groups for the various sub-topic areas and will be doing that very shortly.

- Council Action Update

Mr. Ebinger provided an update on the actions taken by City Council at its January 14, 2019 meeting.

Consideration of Continuances and Deletions from Agenda

There were no continuances or deletions from the agenda.

Consent Agenda

Public Hearing: No one spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cuffee-Glenn, seconded by Vice Chair Law, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye -- 8 - * Chair Rodney Poole, * Vice Chair Melvin Law, * Commissioner David Johannas, * Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Max Hepp-Buchanan and * Commissioner John Thompson

Excused -- 1 - * Commissioner Ellen Robertson

2. [UDC 2018-52](#)
[\(2\)](#)

Attachments: [Location & Plans](#)
[Staff Report to UDC](#)
[UDC Report to CPC](#)

This Location, Character and Extent Item was approved

3. [UDC 2019-01](#)

Attachments: [Location & Plans](#)
[Staff Report to UDC](#)
[UDC Report to CPC](#)

This Location, Character and Extent Item was approved

4. [UDC 2019-02](#)

Attachments: [Location & Plans](#)
[Staff Report to UDC](#)
[UDC Report to CPC](#)

This Location, Character and Extent Item was approved

5. [UDC 2019-04](#)

Attachments: [Location & Plans](#)
[Staff Report to UDC](#)
[UDC Report to CPC](#)

This Location, Character and Extent Item was approved

- 6. [ORD. 2019-006](#) To amend Ord. No. 2018-059, adopted May 14, 2018, which adopted the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget and made appropriations pursuant thereto, by transferring and re-appropriating \$4,469,000.00 from the School Planning and Construction program to the School Capital Maintenance program for the purpose of funding capital maintenance needs of public schools in the city.

Attachments: [Ord. No. 2019-006](#)
[Staff Report](#)

This Ordinance was recommended for approval to the City Council

- 7. [SUBD 2019.001](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Application Form](#)
[Plat](#)
[Map](#)
[Public Response Form](#)

This Tentative Subdivision and Subdivision Exception Request was approved

The consent agenda consists of items that appear relatively non-controversial in nature and for which there was no known opposition at the time this agenda was set. The Consent Agenda items will be considered by the Commission as a group, and there will be a single combined staff presentation and a single combined public hearing held for all items listed on the Consent Agenda.

Regular Agenda

- 8. [PDRPRES 2019.001](#)

Attachments: [DRAFT B-3 Report 1-17-19](#)
[B-3 Presentation 1-22-19](#)

Ms. Anne Darby provided staff's presentation.

Mr. Johannes stated the Jefferson Davis Corridor is an area of great opportunity.

Ms. Robertson stated Councilman Michael Jones requested this report. She thanked him. It is amazing to see the impact this zoning has had on the City.

Ms. Robertson asked that during the study of these areas, the priorities listed in the Council resolution should be considered.

Mr. Murthy thanked the staff. What is the ultimate goal in resolving B-3 issues.

Mr. Olinger stated one thing to look at is are the standards of the B-3 district appropriate. The Jeff Davis corridor, for example, and other areas need further discussion to determine what community needs are and what type of development should take place there.

Ms. Cuffee-Glenn asked what is the timeline for these areas that will be considered.

Mr. Olinger stated for Richmond 300, 2020. Monroe Ward is underway and staff has begun working on some of the Lombardy study.

Mr. Poole stated it is important to have the master plan set before rezoning, so that needs of the community and business owners can provide input.

Mr. Johannas stated the Cowardin/Semmes area should be a priority area.

Ms. Cuffee-Glenn stated concern has been that damage will be done while waiting for rezoning to occur, particularly in the 9th District.

Ms. Robertson stated a schedule to show that their priorities are being addressed is important.

Mr. Poole stated he would like to hear from Councilman Jones. He asked staff, how can we prioritize these critical areas.

Ms. Darby stated it needs very careful attention and planning, that means community meetings, land use analysis, coming up with recommendations that are very well thought out.

Ms. Robertson suggests taking time to think about the rezonings and special use permits that have been approved and their effects.

Councilman Jones stated Ms. Darby's task was not small. He thanked her for the report and sticking to the deadline.

His concerns that led to the request are based on high percentage of B-3 in his district and the number of strip clubs.

Councilman Jones stated we have to have a plan, but what things can be done in the interim? He will use his community meetings for the Richmond 300 process.

Mr. Poole also thanked staff. He stated he will take Councilman Jones up on his offer to get his area more involved in the Richmond 300 process.

Ms. Darby clarified that these areas can be specifically focused on as part of the Richmond 300 process.

Mr. Olinger stated the major corridors in this city face many of the same issues and challenges, and should be a high priority for Richmond 300.

Ms. Robertson clarified that it is important to look at the priorities in the resolution, but wants staff to be able to respond with information that shows the full magnitude of requests.

Upcoming Items

Mr. Ebinger listed the items tentatively scheduled for the February 4, 2019 meeting.

Adjournment

Mr. Poole adjourned the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

All persons attending the meeting are requested to register on the attendance sheets that have been placed on the chairs and are also available at the table by the conference room entrance. Once you have completed an attendance sheet, it should be provided to the Commission staff.