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Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

Monday, April 17, 2017

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 - * Mr. Rodney Poole, * Mr. Melvin Law, * Mr. David Johannas, * Ms. Selena Cuffee-Glenn, * Mr. Vivek Murthy, * Ms. Elizabeth Greenfield, * Mr. Max Hepp-Buchanan, and * Ms. Ellen Robertson
- Absent 1 - * Mr. John Thompson

Chair's Comments

Mr. Poole welcomed all who were present.

Approval of Minutes

1. [PDRMIN
2017.011](#)

Attachments: [Draft April 3, 2017 Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Johannas, seconded by Commissioner Murthy, that the April 3, 2017 Meeting Minutes be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye -- 7 - * Mr. Poole, * Mr. Law, * Mr. Johannas, * Ms. Cuffee-Glenn, * Mr. Murthy, * Ms. Greenfield and * Mr. Hepp-Buchanan

Excused -- 1 - * Ms. Robertson

Director's Report

- Master Plan Update

Mr. Olinger provided an update on the Master Plan update.

- Council Action Update

Mr. Ebinger provided an update on the actions taken by City Council at its April 10, 2017 meeting.

Consideration of Continuances and Deletions from Agenda

- 2. [ORD. 2017-012](#) To close, to public use and travel, a portion of Northumberland Avenue running from the south line of West Roberts Street to such portion’s southern terminus, consisting of 16,355± square feet, upon certain terms and conditions.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Ord. No. 2017-012](#)
[Map](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner David Johannas, seconded by Vice Chair Melvin Law, that Item No. 2 (ORD. 2017-012) be continued to the May 15, 2017 Meeting of the Planning Commission. The motion carried unanimously (Commissioner Cuffee-Glenn and Councilwoman Robertson were not present for the vote).

- 4. [CPCR.2017.017](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Pulse Corridor Plan](#)
[Resolution](#)
[Public Comments](#)
[Comment Letter Commissioner Johannas](#)
[Public Comment Matrix](#)
[Planning Commission Public Comment Forms April 17, 2017](#)
[Open House Flyer](#)

Upon a request by Councilwoman Kimberly Gray, a motion was made by Commissioner David Johannas, seconded by Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, that this City Planning Commission Resolution be continued to the May 15, 2017 Meeting of the Planning Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye -- 7 - * Mr. Poole, * Mr. Law, * Mr. Johannas, * Ms. Cuffee-Glenn, * Mr. Murthy, * Ms. Greenfield and * Mr. Hepp-Buchanan

Excused -- 1 - * Ms. Robertson

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Chair Melvin Law, seconded by Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye -- 6 - * Mr. Poole, * Mr. Law, * Mr. Johannas, * Mr. Murthy, * Ms. Greenfield and * Mr. Hepp-Buchanan

Excused -- 2 - * Ms. Cuffee-Glenn and * Ms. Robertson

- 3. [UDC 2017-06\(b\)](#)

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

This Location, Character and Extent Item 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

5. [UDC 2017-12](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report to Planning Commission](#)
[Staff Report to UDC](#)
[Location & Plans](#)
[Public Comment in Support](#)
[Public Comment in Support Provided at Planning Commission Meeting](#)
[Public Comment in Opposition](#)
[Public Comment in Opposition Provided at Planning Commission Meeting](#)
[Planning Commission Public Comment Forms](#)
[Public Comment Presentation for Planning Commission](#)
[DPW Comment](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner David Johannas, seconded by Commissioner Vivek Murthy, that this Location, Character and Extent Item be heard before the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously (Councilwoman Robertson was not present for the vote).

A presentation was made by Joshua Son (Secretary to the Urban Design Committee), Jay Hugo (3North Architects), and Alice Massie (Monroe Park Conservancy).

Four spoke in opposition to the item. Three spoke in support of the item.

A motion was made by Commissioner David Johannas, seconded by Commissioner Max Hepp-Buchanan, that this Location, Character and Extent Item be referred back to the Urban Design Committee and continued to the May 15, 2017 meeting of the Planning Commission. The motion failed by the following vote: (3;5, Commissioner Rodney Poole, Commissioner Melvin Law, Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, Commissioner Greenfield, and Councilwoman Robertson voting against).

A motion was made by Vice Chair Melvin Law, seconded by Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, that this Conceptual Location, Character and Extent Item be approved with the considerations of the Urban Design Committee for final review. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye -- 5 - * Mr. Poole, * Mr. Law, * Ms. Cuffee-Glenn, * Ms. Greenfield and * Ms. Robertson

No -- 3 - * Mr. Johannas, * Mr. Murthy and * Mr. Hepp-Buchanan

6. [PDRPRES 2017.006](#)

Attachments: [Public Art Master Plan Presentation Handout](#)

Ellyn Parker, Secretary to the Public Art Commission, provided a presentation on the Public Art Master Plan.

Upcoming Items

Matthew Ebinger announced the scheduled April 19, 2017 preliminary rezoning open house in Scott's Addition. This was canceled due to the continuance of the Pulse Corridor Plan, and will be rescheduled after the approval of the Pulse Corridor Plan.

Adjournment

Mr. Poole adjourned the meeting at 3:10 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.

Rodney M. Poole, Chair

Matthew Ebinger, Acting Secretary