

MINUTES
Town of Lexington
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
March 19, 2014

The Town of Lexington's Planning Commission held a meeting on March 19, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Town Hall, 111 Maiden Lane, Lexington, South Carolina. The meeting was attended by: Chairman Keith Frost, Vice-Chairman Frank Berry and Commissioners Brian Amick, Roscoe Caughman, Edwin Gerace, and Lisa Gibson. Commissioners John Bartlett and Jamie Fite were absent (excused).

Others in attendance were: Town Councilmember Kathy Maness, Town Administrator Britt Poole, Municipal Attorney Brad Cunningham, Director of Planning, Building and Technology John Hanson, Chief Building Inspector Charly Thomas, Director of Parks, Streets and Sanitation Dan Walker, Network Administrator Darrell Pritchard and Assistant Municipal Clerk Karen Hanner.

Two members of the public were in attendance. No one was present from the news media

INVOCATION AND CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Frost introduced himself and welcomed everyone to the Planning Commission meeting. He announced that the meeting was being broadcast live on the Town's Time Warner Channel 2 and would be replayed several times during the week. Commission members and Staff then introduced themselves. Commissioner Gibson gave the invocation. Chairman Frost led in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Gerace and seconded by Vice Chairman Berry to approve the Planning Commission Minutes from February 19, 2014 as submitted. The vote on the motion to approve the Minutes was unanimous in favor.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Agape House of Lexington Site Plan Approval: *site plan approval*

Director of Planning, Building and Technology John Hanson presented the request from Ms. Cindy Wright of CJMW Architecture who submitted a site plan for a thirty bed hospice facility proposed on 4.3 acres located in the 100 block of Library Hill Lane. Access to the facility will occur through two full service curb cuts on Library Hill Lane. It appears the plan meets all zoning requirements.

Ms. Cindy Wright introduced herself as the architect on this project. Mr. J. T. Stephenson of Power Engineering introduced himself and stated they had done the civil work for this project.

Chairman Frost noted the outline of a future building on the site plan and asked if there was any more information on plans for that building. Ms. Wright responded that she didn't know when that would be done but they planned for it in case the owner wished to proceed in the future with a mirror building providing a higher service level.

Vice Chairman Berry asked if the back portion of the site would be graded at the same time. Mr. Stephenson confirmed that the entire site would be graded, stabilized and grassed. Chairman Frost asked if there is a creek along the back side of the property and if a bridge would be built to connect with the other facility. Mr. Stephenson responded that there will be a roadway with two culverts that will connect to the kitchen of the other building. Ms. Wright added that it is not intended for thru traffic but for staff to go between the facilities. Mr. Stephenson stated that permits were underway with the Corps.

Vice Chairman Berry made a motion to approve the site plan. Commissioner Gibson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

COMMENTS

Commissioner Gibson reported that Phase One project is waiting for improved weather conditions to resume paving work. The Interchange Beautification project at I-20 and 378 is looking for boulders to use at the site.

Councilmember Kathy Maness announced that Mayor MacDougall is delivering meals for the Meals on Wheels program of the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission. They are looking for delivery volunteers. The Lexington Paw Park is open and a dedication event is scheduled for April 13 at 3:00 p.m. A Special Election will be held on April 8 as a write in ballot to fill a seat on Town Council. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 4 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Gibson Road Soccer Complex. She thanked the Planning Commission members for their service to the Town.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further comments or questions, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Berry and seconded by Commissioner Gibson to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor. The Planning Commission meeting was adjourned at 8:10 a.m.

Chairman Frost thanked everyone for attending the Planning Commission meeting and stated that it would be replayed on the Town's Channel 2 several times during the week.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hanner
Assistant Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

Keith Frost
Chairman

FOIA COMPLIANCE – Public notification of this meeting was published, posted and mailed in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Lexington requirements.