

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
DECATUR CITY PLAN COMMISSION**

Thursday, October 1, 2020
Civic Center Theatre, Decatur Civic Center

I. Call to Order and Determination of a Quorum

The October 1, 2020 meeting of the Decatur City Plan Commission was called to order at 3:00 P.M. in the Civic Center Theatre, Second Floor of the Decatur Civic Center, by Chairman Susie Peck who determined a quorum was present.

The meeting was held with three (3) Committee members participating through electronic attendance pursuant to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07 suspending the requirements of the Open Meetings Act requiring in-person attendance by members of a public body for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation.

Members Present: Bill Clevenger, Jason Drake, Rick Johnson,
Steven Kline, Kent Newton, Tom Brinkoetter, Susie Peck

Members Absent: Bruce Frantz, Mike Peoples

Staff Present: Cordaryl "Pat" Patrick, Greg Crowe,
Joselyn Stewart, John Robinson, Janet Poland

II. Approval of Minutes of the August 6, 2020 City Plan Commission Meeting

It was moved and seconded (Johnson/Kline) to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2020 meeting of the Decatur City Plan Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

III. New Business

Case No. 20-36 Petition of WOODFORD HOMES, INC to rezone the property located at the NORTHWEST CORNER OF CARRIE LANE AND NORTH CHARLES STREET from M-1 Intense Commercial/Light Industrial District to R-6 Multiple Dwelling Residence District.

It was moved and seconded (Brinkoetter/Newton) to forward Case No. 20-36 to the City Council with a recommendation of approval as set forth in the staff report.

Mrs. Joselyn Stewart was sworn in by Mrs. Janet Poland.

Mrs. Stewart discussed staff's recommendation and presented slides (available for viewing upon request) along with staff's recommendation for approval of the petition based on the staff report distributed to the Plan Commission prior to the meeting (staff report is on file and is available for reviewing by request).

Mr. Tim Macken, petitioner, was sworn in by Mrs. Poland.

Mr. Macken stated the proposed project is going to replace two (2) existing group homes that are getting older. Individuals with disabilities would be in their own apartments and the home would be staffed twenty-four hours a day to help the residents be successful.

Mr. Kent Newton asked what would happen to the two (2) existing homes. Mr. Macken said the property on Orchard would be deeded to the City or sold for a very low price. The property on West Main is owned by Heritage Behavioral Health Center and they will evaluate if there is a need for a group home or possibly sell the property.

There were no objectors present.

Upon call of the roll, Commission members Bill Clevenger, Jason Drake, Rick Johnson, Steven Kline, Kent Newton, Tom Brinkoetter and Susie Peck voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Greg Crowe stated Case No. 20-38 was pulled from the agenda for additional staff review.

IV. Appearance of Citizens

No citizen expressed comments.

V. Comments and Information from Commission Members

No comments

VI. Introduction of the new Community Development Director

Mr. Cordaryl "Pat" Patrick, introduced himself to the Commission members as the new Director of Community Development.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved and seconded (Johnson/Newton) to adjourn the meeting.

Upon call of roll, Commission members Bill Clevenger, Jason Drake, Rick Johnson, Steven Kline, Kent Newton, Tom Brinkoetter and Susie Peck voted aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Peck declared the meeting adjourned at 3:13 P.M.