

CITY OF TRENTON
TRENTON PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AT 7:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2023

A Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 22, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:04PM by Chairman, Aaron Castle.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Chairman, Aaron Castle.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Blackledge, Castle, Earl, Ferrante, Frost, Jocks, and Kaiser.

OTHERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Gunden, Beckett & Raeder, Bill Bissland, Building Inspector.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioners Caldwell and Jasman were excused.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ferrante and seconded by Commissioner Jocks to excuse Commissioner Caldwell and Jasman.

Motion was carried unanimously.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Approval of the Public Hearing agenda to be held in the Council Chambers on March 22, 2023.

Motion was made by Commissioner Earl to approve the agenda and seconded by Commissioner Ferrante.

Motion was carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Commissioner Earl and seconded by Commissioner Frost to approve the minutes from the 12/14/2022 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

January 17, 2023, Della Gandolfi & Steven Gandolfi brought in a document pertaining to 2876 5th St. Commissioner Ferrante made a motion to put on file and was seconded by Commissioner Blackledge.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD – NON AGENDA ITEMS: None

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

(1)-3116 Van Horn- Add an outdoor seating area to an existing restaurant which is a part of an existing shopping center.

Chairman Castle opened the Public Hearing.

A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Frost and seconded by Commissioner Earl.

Motion carried unanimously.

(2)- 2876 Fifth St.- Provide a paved parking lot that will serve the adjacent existing building with access over a vacated public alley.

Chris Zochowski, at 2834 5th St. expressed some concerns about an easement at 2876 5th St.

Steven Gandolfi expressed his concerns about 2876 5th St.

A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Ferrante and seconded by Commissioner Jocks.

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

(1)- 3116 Van Horn- Add an outdoor seating area to an existing restaurant which is a part of an existing shopping center.

Elizabeth Gunden, Planning Consultant, explained her review and report.

A motion to approve the site plan as presented with concerns of safety and the lighting. The motion was made by Commissioner Earl and seconded by Commissioner Ferrante.

Motion carried unanimously.

(2)- 2876 Fifth St.- Provide a paved parking lot that will serve the adjacent existing building with access over a vacated public alley.

Elizabeth Gunden, Planning Consultant, explained her review and report.

A motion to table pending the receipt of additional information from legal concerning the screening, ownership of the alley and Engineering regarding the status of the supposedly vacant alley and drainage. The motion was made by Commissioner Ferrante and seconded by Commissioner Frost.

Motion carried unanimously.

(3) Election of Officers.

Chairman- Aaron Castle

Vice Chair- Chuck Earl

Secretary- Jennifer Blackledge

A motion was made by Commissioner Ferrante to keep the officers as they are not and seconded by Commissioner Jocks.

Motion was carried unanimously.

ASPR UPDATE: NONE

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATE: NONE

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE PLANNING CONSULTANT, Elizabeth Gunden: Elizabeth presented the January 2023, February 2023 and March 2023 Monthly Report.

BUILDING OFFICIAL UPDATE, VIRGIL MAIANI: None

ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE: None

ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Earl and seconded by Commissioner Blackledge at 8:09 PM.

Motion was carried unanimously.

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