



**CITY OF BUCKEYE
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 27, 2015**

City of Buckeye
530 East Monroe Avenue
Buckeye, AZ 85326

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Chairperson Carol Kempiak called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Commissioner Jim Zwerg, Commissioner Jeffrey Nagy, Commissioner Preston Hundley, Chairperson Carol Kempiak, Commissioner Clayton Bedoya, Commissioner Gregory Clemmons, Vice Chairperson Nick Hudec, Alternate Thomas Marcinko, Alternate Jesse Knight, Alternate Deanna Kupcik, Alternate Gail Reese, Alternate Bill Elliott, Alternate Duane Mifry

Members absent: None

Staff present: Planning Manager Terri Hogan, Senior Planner Ed Boik, Administrative Assistant Keri Hernandez, Deputy City Engineer Jason Mahkovtz, Economic Development Director Len Becker, City Attorney David Pennartz, Council Liaison Craig Heustis, Planner II Andrea Marquez, Planner II Sean Banda

Council Liaison Craig Heustis presented on behalf of Mayor Jackie A. Meck, an award to Commissioner Jim Zwerg for his twelve years of service to the City of Buckeye and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 13, 2015 PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Bedoya and seconded by Vice Chairperson Hudec to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2015 Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting as presented. Motion carried.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

No items

4. CONTINUANCE AGENDA

No items

5. REGULAR AGENDA

5A. ENGINEERING UPDATE

Deputy City Engineer Jason Mahkovtz presented and was available to answer questions from the Commission.

Alternate Marcinko spoke of his concerns regarding turning lanes from Watson Road onto Lower Buckeye Road heading east.

5B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Economic Development Director Len Becker presented and was available to answer questions from the Commission.

Mr. Zwerg inquired of activity at the Buckeye Airport. Mr. Becker stated that there has been interest in the location.

Mr. Clemmons spoke of his concerns regarding potential business that would offer a higher level of employment, and the ratio of jobs per capita.

Mr. Hudec asked if there has been any activity with Sunbelt Development. Mr. Becker stated that there has been contact with the developers for the future.

5C. DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT TO AMEND ARTICLE 6 AND 8 RELATED TO SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS AND REVIEW PROCESS (PLZ-15-00060)

Senior Planner Ed Boik presented and was available to answer questions from the Commission. Ms. Kempiak asked if this has been approved by the legal team. Mr. Pennartz stated that the legal team has reviewed this amendment and it does conform to state statutes. Ms. Kempiak questioned the response from stakeholders. Mr. Boik informed the Commission that the stakeholders are supportive of this amendment. Mr. Hudec asked about the required number of signs posted for a project. Mr. Boik stated that posting requirements were reviewed in comparison to specific sizes of the projects moving through the process. Ms. Hogan stated the number of signs to be posted is not dictated by state statutes, but by City requirements.

A public hearing was opened at 7:08 p.m.

Alternate Marcinko spoke of his concerns regarding City Engineering standards for street intersections and street designs.

There being no further comments from the public, the public hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Hudec and seconded by Commissioner Zwerg to recommend approval to the City Council as presented. Motion carried.

6. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

7. REPORT FROM STAFF

Planning Manager Terri Hogan updated the Commission on Planning staff projects.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Chairperson Kempiak mentioned the Boards and Commission Conference taking place in December

Chairperson Kempiak requested the outdated sign at the SWC of Miller and Southern to be removed

Chairperson Kempiak reminded everyone to vote on the School Bond issues

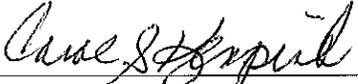
Chairperson Kempiak thanked Jim Zwerg for his service to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Commissioner Bedoya reminded everyone to participate in the Special Census 2015.

Commissioner Nagy asked about the replacement of the At Large seat on the Commission Board.

9. ADJOURNMENT

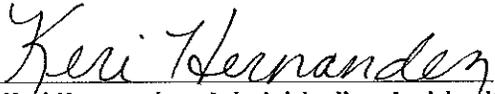
A motion was made by Commissioner Zwerg and seconded by Commissioner Clemmons to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Motion carried.


Carol Kempf, Chairperson

ATTEST:


Keri Hernandez, Administrative Assistant

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting held on the 27th day of October, 2015. I further certify that a quorum was present.


Keri Hernandez, Administrative Assistant