CITY OF MEDINA

Planning Commission Special Meeting

December 6, 2016 6:00 p.m.

Medina City Hall Council Chambers 501 Evergreen Point Road

CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission special meeting of December 6, 2016, was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Reeves.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Jeanne Carlson, David Doud (arrived 6:20 PM),

Jen Garone, Mark Nelson, Jessica Rossman (exited 8:30 PM, excused), Vice-Chair Shawn Schubring and Chair Randy Reeves.

Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Robert Grumbach, Development Services Director Kristin McKenna, Development Services Coordinator

Kellen Ruwe, Assistant City Attorney

Cristina Haworth, City Planning Consultant

ANNOUNCEMENTS (6:00 PM)

Grumbach made the following announcements:

- Reminder of the Special joint meeting with City Council, Planning Commission and Park Board scheduled for Monday, December 12, 2016 at 5:00 PM for parliamentary training.
- The Planning Commission meeting scheduled for December 27th has been cancelled.
- The dead-line for dropping off gifts for the giving tree is December 12th.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no audience participation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (6:03 PM)

QUASI-JUDICIAL:

1) Level 2 Tailored CMP. File No. CMP-16-022

Site Address: 3240 78th Place NE Applicant: Nick Conver (agent)

Proposal: Relocate an existing pedestrian path/ stairway within a landslide

hazard area. Work includes removing seven significant trees.

Chair Reeves asked if Planning Commission members had any disclosures related to the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine. There were none.

Chair Reeves asked if there were any challenges to any Planning Commission members participating in the hearing. There were no challenges.

Chair Reeves explained how the hearing would be conducted.

Grumbach gave the oath to Cristina Haworth, City Planning Consultant.

Haworth presented a summary of her staff report including explanation of the site plan. Haworth provided the staff's recommended to approve the Construction Mitigation Plan subject to the conditions proposed in the staff report.

Haworth responded to questions from the Commissioners.

Grumbach gave the oath to Nick Conver, agent for the applicant. Conver responded to questions from the Commissioners on tree removal and preserved plantings.

Grumbach gave the oath to Mark McGinnis, geo technical engineer for the applicant. McGinnis responded to questions on tree removal, erosion protection and supplemental drainage.

Chair Reeves opened the hearing to public testimony.

Grumbach gave the oath to Jadine Murphy. She had questions on the method to be used for the tree removals, drainage issues and the stairway.

There was no other public testimony.

After a brief discussion a motion was made.

MOTION GARONE / SECOND NELSON TO APPROVE TAILORED CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION PLAN CMP-16-022 SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS IN THE STAFF REPORT. APPROVED 7– 0 (6:36 PM)

LEGISLATIVE:

2) Planning Commission Recommendation on Repealing and adopting New Noise Control Regulations.

Chair Reeves explained how the hearing would be conducted.

Grumbach briefed the Commissioners on the staff report. He provided a comparison chart between King County's ordinance and City of Medina's proposed ordinance.

Grumbach and Ruwe responded to questions from the Commissioners.

Chair Reeves opened the hearing to public testimony.

Sheree Wen commented on the proposed noise regulations. She said she has received many letters from residents regarding noise in Medina and that surveys show people moved to Medina because is it a quiet community. Wen said the proposal is counterproductive. She suggested getting more public comment on the proposed code.

There was no other public testimony.

A discussion ensued. During the discussion questions were raised regarding any potential impact the proposed noise regulations could have to the enforcement of any noise violations specific to State Route 520. Ruwe clarified that the City's noise code does not apply to the State of Washington's highways and the City has no regulatory authority over State Route 520 noise, saying the standard is set by the Federal Highway Administration and the Washington State Department of Transportation. Grumbach added that an analysis was conducted on potential issues of enforcement regarding State Route 520.

There was also clarification during the discussion that in the proposed regulations, the LEQ limits are consistent with the Department of Ecology.

During the discussion there were comments for more education on noise and more public input. A motion was made.

MOTION DOUD / SECOND NELSON TO TABLE ADOPTING NEW NOISE CONTROL REGULATIONS UNTIL THE NEXT REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING IN ORDER TO PROVIDE MORE TIME FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION. (7:45 PM)

A discussion on the motion followed.

ORIGINAL MOTION TO TABLE ADOPTING NEW NOISE CONTROL REGULATIONS UNTIL THE NEXT REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING IN ORDER TO PROVIDE MORE TIME FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION APPROVED 4-3 (SCHUBRING, REEVES AND CARLSON OPPOSED) (8:12 PM)

OTHER BUSINESS (8:13 PM)

1) Update View and Sunlight Obstruction Regulations

Grumbach distributed and reviewed the View and Sunlight draft with the Commissioners commenting that the objective is to create a local administrative processes. Grumbach also distributed and reviewed a memo regarding establishing view planting corridors. The Commissioners supported the concept and provided suggestions and comments to use in drafting the ordinance.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION GARONE / SECOND CARLSON TO ADJOURN THE DECEMBER 6, 2016, PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING. APPROVED 6 – 0. (8:37 PM)

Next meeting is Monday, December 12 @ 5:00 pm. (Joint-meeting involving Parliamentary Procedure Training)

Next regular meeting is January 24, 2017

Minutes taken by:

Kristin McKenna

Development Services Coordinator