TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

January 7, 2019 5:30 PM at Ashland City Municipal Building 101 Court Street, Ashland City, Tennessee

CALL TO ORDER at 5:30 PM by Ms. Lisa Walker.

ROLL CALL

Present: Lisa Walker, Hadley Williams, Alberto Santacruz, and Steven Stratton

Absent: Chairman Melody Sleeper and Carol Macha

CHAIRMAN PROTEM

Ms. Reed stated being the Chairman and Mayor are absent the committee will need to vote to elect a Chairman Pro Tem who will preside over the meeting tonight. Mr. Stratton made a motion, seconded by Santacruz, to appoint Ms. Lisa Walker as Chairman Pro tem.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Stratton, seconded by Williams to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Stratton, seconded by Williams to approve the November meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Height Restriction Discussion. Chief Walker stated that currently the code allows for a maximum height of three stories and there have been several variances in the past. Further, there have only been requests for four story buildings recently. Chief Walker stated he would like to see the maximum height changed to four story and the verbiage for maximum height taken out as the code will address that language. Further, in order to make these changes the planning commission would have to make the decision to recommend this to go to council. Ms. Walker questioned if the hospital is three stories. Chief Walker responded it is. Mr. Gregory stated his original concern was the blockage of the views and a four story maximum would alleviate that issue. Chief Walker stated Hampton Inn is requesting a four story building. A motion was made by Stratton, seconded by Williams, to approve to send the change of a four story maximum to council and to take out the maximum height verbiage. All approved by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Taco Bell Site Plan Approval. Jim Lukens came forward and stated he is here tonight to present the Taco Bell site plan. Further, this site is located west of the Burger King and the comments from CSR have been addressed. He also mentioned the loading locations have been added to the drawings. Mr. Gregory questioned if the fire hydrant has adequate flow at four inches. Mr. Lukens responded it can easily be changed to six inches. Mr. Stratton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve the site plan. All approved by voice vote.

OTHER

- A. Mr. Gregory. Mr. Gregory stated he will be sending out an email that discusses single family housing and saving rural economy as he found these articles interesting and felt the commission might get something from them.
- B. Landscape Ordinance Review. Chief Walker stated the sign ordinance was reviewed and changed last year. He further requested the landscape ordinance be reviewed by the commission next. Mr. Gregory responded yes he would begin looking at that ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Stratton to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Chairman Pro Tem Lisa Walker