CITY OF JONESVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION Minutes of April 11, 2018

A City of Jonesville Planning Commission meeting was held on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at the Jonesville City Hall. Chair Mike Venturini called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mike Venturini, Jerry Drake, Jim Ackerson, Charles Crouch, Annette Sands, and Lance Taylor.

Absent: Christine Bowman.

Also present: Manager Jeff Gray and DPW Superintendent Mike Kyser.

Charles Crouch led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Annette Sands, second by Lance Taylor, to approve the agenda, as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Ackerson, second by Jerry Drake, to approve the February 13, 2018 meeting minutes, as presented and the March 7, 2018 special meeting minutes with one amendment to reflect that the meeting adjourned at 8:30 *p.m.* All in favor. Motion carried.

Chair Mike Venturini opened the public hearing on the request to rezone the property located at 530 W. Chicago Street from MHP (Manufactured Home Park) to R-1 (Residential) at 7:02 p.m. Manager Gray provided a brief summary of the rezoning request, as noted in the memorandum dated April 4, 2018. There being no public present, Chair Venturini closed the public hearing at 7:07 p.m.

There was brief discussion of the rezoning request, prior use of the property and zoning on the properties in the vicinity of the site.

Motion by Jerry Drake, second by Charles Crouch to recommend that City Council approve the request to rezone the property located at 530 W. Chicago from MHP (Manufactured Home Park) to R-1 (Residential). The recommendation is made on the following basis:

- 1. The proposed zoning district is consistent with the Future Land Use Map in the Master Plan.
- 2. The proposed district is compatible with the historic use of the property, the existing buildings on the property, and the uses in the vicinity of the site.
- 3. The property is non-conforming to the current zoning district and is not of a sufficient size to be viable for use under the existing zoning district.

All in favor. Motion carried. Manager Gray noted that the Planning Commission recommendation would be received by Council at their regular meeting in April and a public hearing will be held at the regular meeting in May.

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The Planning Commission discussed the data from the community survey. It was noted that two of the responses recorded in the survey include personal comments regarding individuals that are not associated with the City government. The Planning Commission discussed concerns regarding these personal comments and options for addressing them. Motion by Jim Ackerson, second by Jerry Drake, to redact these two comments and to add the statement "Personal comment redacted" in their place. All in favor. Motion carried. No comments or opinions regarding City staff, nor other comments, will be amended or redacted.

The Planning Commission discussed possible dates and times for a meeting of the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Downtown Development Authority, Local Development Finance Authority, and City Council to discuss and Economic Development Strategy for the Master Plan. This is a component of the agreed scope of the Plan update and a recommended component from the best practices of the Redevelopment Ready Communities program. Motion by Jerry Drake, second by Charles Crouch, to move the May Planning Commission regular meeting to Tuesday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m. at the Jonesville Police Department Conference Room and to schedule a Master Plan meeting on Tuesday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Jonesville Police Department Conference Room. All in favor. Motion carried.

Manager Gray indicated that there has been increased interest in the use of electronic reader signs. Such signs allow the copy to be changed remotely and display on a screen. There is not clear regulation of these signs in the Zoning Ordinance. Motion by Lance Taylor, second by Jerry Drake, to refer the matter to the Ordinance Subcommittee for a recommendation to the Planning Commission. All in favor. Motion carried.

Manager Gray provided an update regarding ongoing projects around the City.

There being no further business, Chair Venturini adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Submitted by,

Jeffrey M. Gray, City Manager/Recording Secretary