



Commissioner Bennett  
Commissioner Brewer  
Commissioner Debrow  
Commissioner Flowers  
Commissioner Harwood  
Commissioner Layel  
Commissioner Nicaud

## MINUTES PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

6:00 PM CST

Council Chambers, City Hall  
and via teleconference, if necessary

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### Call to Order

Chairman Flowers called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

### Statement of Purpose

1. May our decisions today be made with wisdom, careful deliberation and in the best interest of the City of Diamondhead. May we display patience and kindness in our dealings with each other and all who are in attendance and may any decisions made today promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Diamondhead and the enhancement of the City as a whole.

Commissioner Bennett read The Statement of Purpose

### Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Nicaud led The Pledge of Allegiance

### Roll Call

Present at the meeting were Commissioners Nicaud, Bennett, Harwood, and Flowers. .

Absent were Commissioners DeBrow, Layel. Brewer. Also present were City Attorney, Derek Cusick, Development Coordinator , Pat Rich, Building Official, Beau King, Minute Clerk, Tammy Braud

### Confirmation or Adjustments to Agenda

Motion was made by Commissioner Harwood, second by Commissioner Nicaud to accept the Agenda as presented

### Motion Passed Unanimously

### Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of January 23, 2024 minutes.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bennett, second by Commissioner Harwood to accept the Minutes as presented.

### Motion Passed Unanimously

### New Business

2. Public hearing on a proposed Text Amendment to the Tree Ordinance Article 11. – General Requirements and Restrictions. The Case File Number is 202300337.

Beverly O'Hara asked questions about Wildlife .

Bill Parrish asked how will the permit process work, and size of tree replacements.

Harry Cagle asked about the amount of trees required.

Paul Brown asked about what could be done about lots that have already cut down all trees.

Ms. Joanna stated she was with the Garden Club, and would like to see a Tree Ordinance passed.

Claire Hanson asked about penalties

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich also received email from residents ,and included them in Commissioners packets.

### **Unfinished Business**

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich suggested making changes to the Tree Ordinance.

11.1 Purpose and Scope: add Pond Cypress.

11.2.2 # 3 : Remove the word: and City Council.

11.2.1.1 : Remove the words: significant, specimen and heritage. replace those with Protected.

11.2.1.1 a: Remove words ort he applicant agrees to contribute to the tree escrow account equal to the cost of implementing the reforestation plan or a combination of both.

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich made a recommendation to approve as amended.

Motion was made by Commissioner Nicaud, second by Commissioner Bennett to approve as amended to the City Council

### **Motion Passed Unanimously**

#### **Open Public Comments to Non-Agenda Items**

Paul Brown spoke about Zoning Maps.

Beverly O'Hara spoke about Building being built that is not wanted.

Don Duff spoke about Zoning Changes

#### **Commissioners' Comments**

#### **Communication / Announcements**

3. The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, March 5, 2024.

The next Planning Commission meeting is Tuesday, March 26, 2024.

#### **Adjourn or Recess**

Commissioner Bennett made a motion, second by Commissioner Harwood to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p. m.