



MINUTES  
CITY OF LAUREL  
CITY/COUNTY PLANNING BOARD  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023  
6:00 PM  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**Public Input:** *Citizens may address the committee regarding any item of business that is not on the agenda. The duration for an individual speaking under Public Input is limited to three minutes. While all comments are welcome, the committee will not take action on any item not on the agenda.*

Judy called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm and asked for a roll call. Jon Klasna, Roger Geise, Richard Herr, Richard Klose, Judy Goldsby are in attendance.

Staff, Kurt Markegard and Forrest Sanderson

1. Public Comment

No Public Comments

**General Items**

2. Minutes Approval

Kurt will have the minutes for the committee at a future date.

**New Business**

3. Napa Signs- Entryway Zoning District

The Napa store has moved next to the old IGA building and are wanting to get their sign installed. Kurt explained that the signs meet the current code and will replace the temporary canvas signs they put up until approval has been received. Richard Klose moved to approve the Napa signs and Jon Klasna seconded the motion and the vote was 5-0 to approve.

4. Zoning Code Update and setting up a public hearing.

Forrest went over the draft zoning regulations and the zoning map. The draft zoning regulations are where he feels comfortable sending them out for Public Comment and setting the Public Hearing. The planning board discussed the regulations and asked Forrest questions about some of the regulations. After discussion, Jon Klasna moved to set a public hearing for December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6pm at City Hall Council Chambers. Richard Klose seconded the motion, and the vote was 5-0 to approve.

5. Review the Draft Changes to the Growth Management Plan and setting a Public Hearing for December 20th, 2023.

Kurt explained that during the work sessions in October, all the draft changes are complete and only a few grammar items needed to be cleaned up and a new title page needs to be inserted. Forrest explained the process to adopt the growth policy and the need to approve the document through a Planning Board resolution. The growth policy is ready to be presented for a Public Hearing and

Kurt will make sure it is advertised starting next week. Richard Herr moved to set the Public Hearing on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6pm for the 2023 update to the 2020 Growth Policy as requested by the Board of County Commissioners and the City Council of the City of Laurel. Richard Klose seconded the motion, and the vote was 5-0 to approve.

The Planning Board will be meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December at 6pm to hold Public Hearings.

#### **Old Business**

#### **Other Items**

#### **Announcements**

Judy asked if everyone could be at the meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> and Richard Herr questioned if he was still on the board. Kurt explained that his seat on the board is separate from the City Council position. Kurt asked Richard Herr to please consider not resigning from the Planning Board as we need his participation to maintain a quorum.

Judy asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Roger motioned, and Richard Herr seconded, the motion to adjourn passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

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