

WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

February 4, 2021 7:00 PM

Blair Public Library, 2233 Civic Dr Blair, Nebraska

"All Commission members receive staff reports approximately one week prior to the meeting"

1. COMMISSION ACTION:

1.1. Roll Call of Members: Rasmussen absent

1.2. Approval of January 7, 2021 minutes.

Motion Anderson and second by Hartzell to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2021 meeting of the Washington County Planning Commission as presented. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Hartzell: Aye, Lambrecht: Aye, Mathiesen: Aye, Neuverth: Aye, Rasmussen: Absent, Smith: Aye
Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

1.3. Approval of Agenda

Motion Neuverth and second by Mathiesen to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Hartzell: Aye, Lambrecht: Aye, Mathiesen: Aye, Neuverth: Aye, Rasmussen: Absent, Smith: Aye
Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

1.4. Open Meetings Act Posting Chairman Lambrecht welcomed everyone and stated this meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and a copy of that Act is posted on the door and wall. The Open Meetings Act can also be found online.

2. OLD BUSINESS

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

3.1. Text Amendment

Request by Jeff and Maria Bledsoe to amend the Washington County Zoning Regulations by adding "Limited Festivals and Events" as a Conditional Use in the A-1 Zoning District.

3.1.1. Recognition of staff report in the Commission packet

3.1.2. Any new/additional comments from the Planning Administrator

3.1.3. Presentation by the applicant

3.1.4. Comments from the Commission

Discussion regarding the six-pack meetings regarding this amendment request

3.1.5. Chairman opens the public hearing

Kris Robinson, Washington County Building Inspector, spoke regarding commercial use, ADA requirements and life safety issues. Venues open for public assembly follow strict guidelines.

3.1.6. Comments from the floor and/or in writing

3.1.7. Additional comments from the Commission

Discussed how the CUP would work, requirement factors and if zoning should change.

3.1.8. Chairman closes the public hearing

3.1.9. Action by Commission to approve, approve with conditions, deny, or continue (for stated reasons) this request

Motion Anderson and second by Neuverth to deny adding the Event Venues and Special Event Text Amendment because it allows anyone in the A-1 zone to apply. Motion Failed.

Anderson: Aye, Hartzell: Abstain (Without Conflict), Lambrecht: Nay, Mathiesen: Nay, Neuverth: Aye, Rasmussen: Absent, Smith: Nay
Aye: 2, Nay: 3, Absent: 1, Abstain (Without Conflict): 1

Motion Hartzell and second by Smith to continue agenda item to the March 4th meeting. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Hartzell: Aye, Lambrecht: Aye, Mathiesen: Aye, Neuverth: Aye, Rasmussen: Absent, Smith: Aye
Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

4. NEW BUSINESS:

5. REPORTS FROM STAFF:

6. ITEMS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP:

7. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion Anderson and second by Mathiesen to adjourn the February 4, 2021 meeting of the Washington County Planning Commission. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Hartzell: Aye, Lambrecht: Aye, Mathiesen: Aye, Neuverth: Aye, Ras mussen: Absent, Smith: Aye

Aye: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Gary Lambrecht, Chairman