

# City of Ann Arbor Formal Minutes City Planning Commission

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Tuesday, February 1, 2022

7:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council Chambers

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mills called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM

### 2. ROLL CALL

City of Ann Arbor Planning Manager Brett Lenart called the roll.

Others present:

Alexis DiLeo, City of Ann Arbor City Planner

Present 7 - Mills, Gibb-Randall, Sauve, Disch, Lee, Clarke, and Wyche

**Absent** 2 - Abrons, and Hammerschmidt

### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Sauve, seconded by Gibb-Randall, approved unanimously as presented.

### 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**4-a. 22-0226** January 20, 2022 City Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Moved by Wyche, seconded by Clarke, approved unanimously as presented and forwarded to the City Council.

- 5. REPORTS FROM CITY ADMINISTRATION, CITY COUNCIL, PLANNING MANAGER,
  PLANNING COMMISSION OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES, WRITTEN
  COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS
- 5-a. City Council
- 5-b. Planning Manager
- 5-c. Planning Commission Officers and Committees
- 5-d. Written Communications and Petitions
  - **22-0227** Various Communication to the City Planning Commission

Received and Filed

6. PUBLIC COMMENT (Persons may speak for three minutes about an item that is NOT listed as a public hearing on this agenda. Please state your name and address for the record.)

Kirk Westphal, 3050 Charter Place, Ann Arbor expressed support for the minimum parking standard proposal, discussed proposal to abandon additional parking maximums outside of TC1 with concern for car centered proposed development in those areas.

Kitty Kahn, address unknown, discussed parking downtown, encouraging the Planning Commission to consider the realistic needs for parking downtown.

Tom Stulberg, address unknown, discussed the implications of rezoning, relating to differing types of development that can occur as a result of rezoning.

### 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT BUSINESS MEETING

<u>22-0228</u> Public Hearings Scheduled for Tuesday, February 15, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting

Received and Filed

### 8. REGULAR BUSINESS - Project Presentation, Staff Report, Public Hearing and Commission Discussion of Each Item

8-a. 22-0229 City-Initiated TC1 Rezoning Petition for 69 properties in the State & Eisenhower area for City Council Approval - Amendment to the Zoning Map, Section 5.10.2, of Chapter 55 (Unified Development Code) to rezone 69 parcels in the South State Street and East/West Eisenhower Parkway area to TC1 Transit Corridor district. Staff Recommendation: Approval Commissioner Lee recused himself from discussion and action on item 8-a

DiLeo summarized the staff report for the proposed rezoning.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Adam Jaskiewicz, 1430 Las Vegas Drive, Ann Arbor, expressed support for the proposed rezoning.

Kirk Westphal, 3505 Charter Place, Ann Arbor, discussed the importance of high density and walkable areas, expressed support for the proposed rezoning.

Luis Vasquez, 909 Barton Drive, Ann Arbor, expressed support for the proposed rezoning.

Adam Goodman, 400 Virginia Ave, Ann Arbor, expressed support for the proposed rezoning.

Vicky Rios, address unknown, inaudible comment.

Tom Stulburg, address unknown, expressed support for transit oriented zoning, discussed site plan threshold requirements.

Erich Zechar, 2435 Prairie, Ann Arbor, expressed support for the

proposed rezoning.

Brian Chambers, 2815 Ember Way, Ann Arbor, expressed support for the proposed rezoning.

Daniel Adams, address unknown, expressed support for the proposed rezoning.

Seeing no further speakers, Chair Mills closed the Public Hearing.

Moved by Wyche, seconded by Disch, that the Ann Arbor City Planning Commission hereby recommends that the Mayor and City Council approve the amendments to the Zoning Map, a part of Chapter 55 Unified Development Code, to designate the zoning classification of 68 parcels in the South State Street and East/West Eisenhower Parkway area as TC1 as proposed.

On a roll call vote, the vote was as follows with the Chair declaring the motion approved.

Yeas: 6 - Sarah Mills, Shannan Gibb-Randall, Elizabeth Sauve, Lisa

Disch, Sadira Clarke, and Donnell Wyche

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Ellie Abrons, and Sara Hammerschmidt

Recused: 1 - Wonwoo Lee

### 9. PUBLIC COMMENT (Persons may speak for three minutes on any item.)

Commissioner Lee joined the meeting immediately following vote on item 8-a.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tom Stulberg, address unknown, thanked the commission for addressing his questions.

Kitty Kahn, address unknown, expressed disappointment regarding requirements or incentives for affordable housing in the TC1 zoning.

Luis Vasquez, 909 Barton Drive, Ann Arbor, emphasized Kirk Westphal's comments regarding parking.

Kirk Westphal, 3505 Charter Place, Ann Arbor, expressed appreciation

for the Planning Commission's affirmative vote regarding the TC1 rezoning. Discussed increasing housing supply.

Adam Jaskiewicz, 1430 Las Vegas Drive, Ann Arbor, thanked the Planning Commission, expressed support for increasing housing supply.

Seeing no further callers, Chair Mills closed Public Comment.

### 10. COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS

Chair Mills proposed discussing the next batch of TC1 rezonings.

### 11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Wyche, seconded by Disch, to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Adjourned unanimously.

Yeas: 7 - Sarah Mills, Shannan Gibb-Randall, Elizabeth Sauve, Lisa

Disch, Wonwoo Lee, Sadira Clarke, and Donnell Wyche

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Ellie Abrons, and Sara Hammerschmidt

Sarah Mills, Chairperson

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