



# City of Ann Arbor

## Formal Minutes - Final

### City Planning Commission

301 E. Huron St.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
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Tuesday, August 1, 2023

7:00 PM

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

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

*Vice Chair Ellie Abrons called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm in Council Chambers at City Hall of Ann Arbor.*

**2. ROLL CALL**

*Deputy Planning Manager, Hank Kelley, called the roll.*

*Others present:*

*Planning Manager Brett Lenart, Deputy Planning Manager Hank Kelley*

**Present** 5 - Sauve, Abrons, Hammerschmidt, Clarke, and Wyche

**Absent** 3 - Mills, Disch, and Lee

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Commissioner Wyche, seconded by Commissioner Sauve to approve the agenda as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

*No minutes to approve.*

**5. REPORTS FROM CITY ADMINISTRATION, CITY COUNCIL, PLANNING MANAGER, PLANNING COMMISSION OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES, WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

**5-a. City Council**

*No meeting of Council since last City Planning Commission meeting.*

**5-b. Planning Manager**

*Deputy Planning Manager Hank Kelley reported on the Comprehensive Plan: staff are in the process of scheduling interviews with other City staff and stakeholders for the final week of August.*

**5-c. Planning Commission Officers and Committees**

*Commissioner Sauve reported from the July 25, 2023 Ordinance Review Committee: The upcoming Work Plan was discussed, and there was an early discussion on drive-throughs.*

**5-d. Written Communications and Petitions**

[23-1273](#) Various Communications to the Planning Commission

**Attachments:** Farahanchi .pdf, Pineau-Oishi.pdf

**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.)**

*Ken Garber, 28 Haverhill Court, spoke to electrification and the Lockwood Senior Living project.*

*Edward Vielmetti, 1210 Brooklyn Avenue, spoke about meeting minutes as they relate to being made available to the public.*

*Seeing no additional speakers, Vice Chair Abrons closed the Public Comment.*

**7. PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

**7-a. [23-1274](#) Public Hearings Scheduled for Tuesday, August 15, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting**

**Attachments:** 8-15-2023 CPC Notice of Public Hearing-Tue.pdf

*Deputy Planning Manager, Hank Kelley, presented the upcoming Public Hearings at the August 15, 2023 Planning Commission meeting.*

*-3680 Packard Road Blossom Dental for City Planning Commission Approval – A proposed 13,273 square feet one story dental office on this 1.21-acre vacant parcel, zoned Office (O). A 29-car parking lot will also be constructed with shared access to the adjacent property.*

*-Proposed amendments to front setback regulation in the TC1 (Transit Corridor) Zoning District, to measure setbacks from curb edges instead of lot lines. Changes will affect Chapter 55 (Unified Development Code) Section 5.16.3, Use Specific Standards – Commercial Uses. Changes may also affect 5.17.4, Mixed-Use Zoning Districts and 5.17.7, proposed Transit Corridor District.*

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**9. REGULAR BUSINESS – Project Presentation, Staff Report, Public Hearing, and Commission Discussion of Each Item**

- 9-a. [23-1270](#)** 2805 Burton Road - Brightdawn Village Site Plan Amendment for Planning Commission Approval - A proposal to reduce the size of the indoor gathering building by approximately 2,000 sq ft, adjust sidewalks and utility leads, relocation of barrier free parking and electric vehicle charging updates per current edition of UDC (Unified Development Code) on this 8-acre site zoned R4B (Multi-family Residential). Staff Recommendation: Approval

**Attachments:** Brightdawn Village Staff Report.pdf, 2805 Burton Rd Zoning Map.pdf, 2805 Burton Rd Aerial Map.pdf, 2805 Burton Rd Aerial Map Zoom.pdf, 2805-Burton Rd-Brightdawn Village Site Plan Amendment 6-21-23.pdf

*Planning Manager Brett Lenart recommended due to lack of board members hold Public Hearing and postpone applicant presentation to the August 15, 2023 Planning Commission meeting.*

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

*Ken Garber, 28 Haverhill Court, suggested building project be heated electrically by heat pumps and to offset electricity with rooftop solar.*

*Seeing no speakers Vice Chair Abrons closed the Public Hearing.*

**Moved by Commissioner Sauve, seconded by Commissioner Wyche that**

**The Ann Arbor City Planning Commission postponed the item to the August 15, 2023 meeting and place item under Unfinished Business.**

**On a unanimous voice vote the Vice Chair declared the motion passed. Item Postponed**

- 9-b.**      [23-1271](#)      1800 Washtenaw Avenue - Evans House for Scholars Special Exception Use for Planning Commission Approval - A request to increase occupancy from 65 to 85. No proposed changes to exterior of house located on this 0.85-acre parcel, zoned R2B (Two-Family Dwelling). Staff Recommendation: Approval

**Attachments:**      1800 Washtenaw Staff Report.pdf, 1800 Washtenaw Ave SEU Application Form.pdf, Proposed Site Plan Loft Layout.pdf

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**PUBLIC HEARING:**

*Jerry Kaplan, 506 Arrowhead West Bloomfield, architect on the project said he was available to answer any questions.*

*Seeing no speakers Vice Chair Abrons closed the Public Hearing.*

**Planning Manager Brett Lenart recommended due to lack of board members hold Public Hearing and postpone applicant presentation to the August 15, 2023 Planning Commission meeting.**

**Moved by Commissioner Wyche, seconded by Commissioner Sauve that**

**The City Planning Commission postpone the item to the August 15, 2023 meeting and place item under Unfinished Business..**

**On a unanimous voice vote the Vice Chair declared the motion**

**passed. Item Postponed**

**10. OTHER BUSINESS**

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT (Persons may speak for three minutes on any item.)**

*Seeing no speakers Vice Chair Abrons closed the Public Comment.*

**12. COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS**

*None*

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Commissioner Wyche, seconded by Commissioner  
Sauve to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 pm. On a voice vote the Vice  
Chair declared the motion carried unanimously.**

Ellie Abrons, Vice Chair

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(Public Hearings: Individuals may speak for three minutes. Please state your name and address for the record.) Comments about a proposed project are most constructive when they relate to: (1) City Code requirements and land use regulations, (2) consistency with the City Master Plan, or (3) additional information about the area around the petitioner's property and the extent to which a proposed project may positively or negatively affect the area.)

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