

City of Ann Arbor Formal Minutes - Final City Planning Commission

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10-a 13-0025 Kocher Annexation and Zoning for City Council Approval - A request to annex this vacant 0.66 acre single-family residential parcel located at 2925 Devonshire Road from Ann Arbor Township into the City and zone it R1A (Single-Family Dwelling District). Staff Recommendation: Approval

Cheng presented the staff report.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Noting no speakers, the Chair declared the public hearing closed.

Moved by Mahler, seconded by Bona, that the Ann Arbor City Planning Commission hereby recommends that the Mayor and City Council approve the Kocher Annexation and R1A (Single-Family Dwelling District) Zoning.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

Giannola asked whether the property to the west of this parcel is landlocked.

Rampson explained that the McMullen Annexation and Zoning is the parcel to the west, which was reviewed by the Commission in December. She said that this property the one that has the access easement to the parcel, as well as a utility easement.

Bona asked staff about township parcels that are divided while still in the township and then annexation into the City, and if there was a possibility to work with the townships on such issues, noting that the township's lot size criteria is very different from the City.

Rampson explained that when the McMullen Annexation came in, she had contacted the Ann Arbor Township zoning official regarding the matter and had asked him to notify the City in the future when he received such requests. She said that the township is under the same State mandate to approve land divisions if they meet the requirements.

Bona suggested the possibility of offering an incentive to future annexation applicants if they did land divisions in the City instead of in the Township.

Westphal said there is an agreement with the Township about the boundaries.

Rampson said yes, that the boundaries are well known and acknowledged between the Township and the City.

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

Yeas: 9 - Bonnie Bona, Eric A. Mahler, Wendy Woods, Kirk Westphal, Diane Giannola, Eleanore Adenekan, Kenneth Clein, Tony Derezinski, and Sabra Briere

Nays: 0