West Bountiful City Planning Commission

Posting of Agenda - The agenda for this meeting was posted on the State of Utah and City of West Bountiful Web-Site and sent to Clipper Publishing Company on October 8, 2010 per state statutory requirement.

Minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission of West Bountiful City held on Tuesday, October 12, 2010, at West Bountiful City Hall, Davis County, Utah.

Those in Attendance: MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman James Ahlstrom,; Vice Chair, Steve Schmidt, Terry Turner, Tori Boggess; Commissioners and Alan Malan (Alternate) Commissioner.

MEMBERS/STAFF EXCUSED: Craig Howe; City Administrator, Denis Hopkinson Commissioners.

STAFF PRESENT: Ben White; City Engineer, Heidi Voordecker (City Recorder), and Debbie McKean (Secretary).

VISITORS: Doug Layne, Verleen and Jeff Stanger, Valerie Shaw; WB City Council.

The Planning and Zoning Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman James Ahlstrom. Tori Boggess offered a prayer.

Accept Agenda

Chairman James Ahlstrom reviewed the agenda as posted. Alan Malan moved to accept the agenda with the deletion of Commissioner reports. Steve Schmidt seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor among those present.

Business Discussed:

Discussion of Sign Ordinance

Included in the commissioners packets was:

- A memo from Ben White; City Engineer, dated September 24, 2010 RE: Sign Ordinance. Briefly the memo listed some finding that Mr. White found in our city concerning signage and the conflicts for allowance of these signs and what our current Sign Ordinance will allow. Mr. White called for the commission to review our current sign ordinance and then decide what modification should be considered to reflect the activities in the community, or do we keep the current ordinance as it reads, and do we need to establish specific penalties for violations of the sign ordinance?
- A copy of West Bountiful’s current sign ordinance
- A copy of Centerville’s Sign Ordinance in order to compare what a neighboring community is allowing concerning signs.
- Sign Ordinance Notes- Which stated some ideas for the commission to consider when reviewing this ordinance. Noting that to make changes to this Ordinance requires a Public Hearing.

Ben White led the discussion regarding the Sign Ordinance. He showed a PowerPoint presentation with pictures of various signs within the city that were violating our current Sign Ordinance. He asked the commissioners to evaluate the signs that they thought should/should not be allowed in order to decide to enforce our current ordinance or make changes to it to allow
those things that they feel should be allowed concerning signage and the various types of signage.

Some thought and discussion took place concerning the different types of signs presented in the presentation as Mr. White pointed out which signs were currently allowed or not allowed.

Some considerations discussed were:

- The size of the sign
- How many are allowed per property owner
- Temporary Sign allowance.
- Time allotment for allowing to be posted
- Definitions of each particular sign
- Respecting Property Owners Rights
- Signs that are posted away from the property that it is advertising for
- Window Signs on Vehicles
- Those signs in our city that are grandfathered
- Commercial Signs, banners, pennants, snipe signs and those that are approved upon a conditional permit.
- Monument/Pillar Sign allowances
- Safety and Appearance
- Sign placement on the property
- Directional/Information Signs
- Residential vs Commercial Sign allowances
- Political Signs
- Regulation by Zones (noted that this would be easier and create more latitude to work within)
- Inflatables - allowed in Bountiful by special permit and special allowances.
- Fees charged for temporary and special permitted signs
- Applications for Temporary signs upon applying for business license each year.

Mr. White pointed out that most of the signs he presented in his presentation are currently not allowed by the current Sign Ordinance Sign. He referred to how Centerville’s Sign Ordinance reads and how specific placement, times, etc. are granted in their city.

It was decided that the commission would review the city’s current ordinance and consider the discussions this evening, study neighboring cities sign ordinances and submit their suggestions to staff to be compiled and discussed at the first Planning Commission Meeting in November.

Ben will send out an email to everyone so that correspondence can begin regarding this assignment.

Staff Report

- Commissioners are studying out the curb, gutter and sidewalk issues and they need to be working on their recommendations for our city ordinance.
- Mr. White encourage the commission to continue to work on the assignments given them for various ordinances so that we are prepared when these issues arise. He really needs to have established criteria on this ordinances that are vague before applications are made.
- Turkey Trot has been moved to the LDS Stake Center and it is still being decided where the Elf Tree will be hosted.
Approval of Minutes dated September 28, 2010

Steve Schmidt moved to approve the minutes dated September 28, 2010 as corrected. Terry Turner seconded the motion voting was unanimous in favor.

Adjournment

Alan Malan moved to adjourn the regular session of the Planning Commission Meeting. Tori Boggess seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

JAMES AHLSTROM /CHAIRMAN

HEIDI VORDECKERS/CITY RECORDER

DEBBIE MCKEAN /SECRETARY