

# MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
CITY OF BRANSON, MISSOURI  
JUNE 6, 2023

## CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission of the City of Branson, Missouri, met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall on June 6, 2023 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was called to order.

## ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Ruth Denham, Chuck O'Day, Gregg Richards, Gary Groman, Rick DeJager, Charles Hillis, Jesse Martinosky, Brad Gore, Lewis Green. Commissioners Absent: Phil Loyd.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairperson O'Day asked if anyone was present wishing to speak to any items not on the agenda. He set a time limit of five minutes for each speaker.

Hearing none the meeting moved to the Regular Agenda Items.

## REGULAR AGENDA:

### 1. APPROVAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES FOR THE MAY 2, 2023 REGULAR MEETING.

Gary Groman moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Rick DeJager.

Voting aye: Denham, O'Day, Richards, Groman, DeJager, Hillis, Martinosky, Gore. Nays: none. Abstain: . Motion Carried.

### 2. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON.

Ruth Denham nominated Gary Groman as Chairperson. Brad Gore nominated Chuck O'Day as Chairperson.

There were 5 votes for Gary Groman and 4 votes for Chuck O'Day.

Gary Groman will serve as Chairperson of the Planning Commission for the 2023-2024 term.

Charles Hillis, Sr. nominated Rick DeJager as Vice Chairperson. As no other nominations were made, a roll call vote was performed.

Voting aye: Richards, Denham, Green, Hillis, O'Day, Mrtinosky, Groman, Gore. Nays: none. Abstain: DeJager.

Rick DeJager will serve as Vice-Chairperson of the Planning Commission for the 2023-2024 term.

## PUBLIC HEARING:

3. REQUEST FOR A FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR STILLWOOD EAST, BRANSON, MO, 65616

Planning Director, Mark Colussy, presented the item as recommended by staff.

Chairperson Groman asked if the Commissioners had any questions.

Commissioners asked questions and Director Colussy responded.

Chairperson Groman asked if the applicant would like to speak.

Todd Chandler of Great River Engineering, 186 S. Payne Stewart Dr., Suite 151, Branson, MO spoke about the item.

Commissioners asked questions and Mr. Chandler responded.

Chairperson Groman asked if the public had any questions or comments.

Don Schrag, 133 B Lakehills Dr. spoke about the item and addresses his concerns.

Chairperson Groman asked if there were any other questions or comments. Hearing none, he called for a vote.

Chuck O'Day moved to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Brad Gore.

Voting aye: Denham, O'Day, Richards, Groman, DeJager, Hillis, Martinosky, Gore, Green.

Nays: none. Motion Carried.

4. REQUEST TO VACATE A PORTION OF SUNSET LANE IN THE PINKLEY HEIGHTS ADDITION, BRANSON, MISSOURI.

Planning Director, Mark Colussy, presented the item as recommended by staff.

Chairperson Groman asked if the applicant wished to speak.

Louis Chagoya, 701 Kingsway Dr, Branson MO spoke in favor of the request.

Chairperson Groman asked if the Commissioners had any questions. Hearing none, he called for a vote.

Chuck O'Day moved to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Ruth Denham.

Voting aye: Denham, O'Day, Richards, Groman, DeJager, Hillis, Martinosky, Gore, Green.

Nays: none. Motion Carried.

5. REQUEST FOR MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 1 DEFINITIONS AND CHAPTER 94 ZONING OF THE BRANSON MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING MARIJUANA.

Planning Director, Mark Colussy, presented the item as recommended by staff.

Chairperson Groman asked if the Commissioners or any of the public had any questions or comments. Hearing none, he called for a vote.

Rick DeJager moved to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Jesse Martinosky.

Voting aye: Denham, O'Day, Richards, Groman, DeJager, Hillis, Martinosky, Gore, Green.

Nays: none. Motion Carried.

## REPORTS

Planning Director, Mark Colussy, reminded the Commission that July's meeting date has been moved to Thursday, July 6, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Colussy also asked for the Commission's thoughts on rezoning a parcel on 76 W Country Blvd, currently zoned entertainment, to a planned development to accommodate the request of a potential business development. Commissioners spoke in opposition to a rezone and expressed their support for preserving the entertainment district. He spoke about future items that may come to the Commission in the near future, including a rezone, a modification to definitions within code, a final plat, and a request for a special use permit.

Commissioner O'Day expressed his thanks to past Commissioners, Brenda Romine and Rick Davis, for their years of service to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City of Branson.

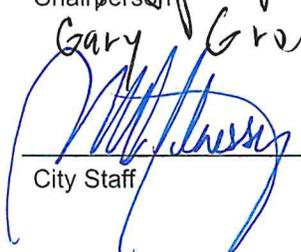
Alderman Denham spoke in favor of having applicants and developers meet and communicate with surrounding residents prior to development and prior meeting with the Commission to better address the needs and concerns of the community.

## ADJOURN

Chuck O'Day moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M., seconded by Jesse Martinosky.

Voting aye: Denham, O'Day, Richards, Groman, DeJager, Hillis, Martinosky, Gore, Green. Nays: none.

Motion Carried.

  
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Chairperson  
Gary Groman  
  
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City Staff