

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2021

Chairman Baker called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Baker.

Present: Robert Baker, Mike Denico, Antonio Thomas, Eugene Gorski (Alternate)

Absent: David Prins, Edward Hanks

Quorum Established

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Vice Chairman Denico to approve the April 26, 2021 (Regular Meeting) and the April 26, 2021 (Workshop) minutes; this motion was seconded by Chairman Baker.
Approved by Voice Vote 4/0.

The Planning Commission was recessed at 6:35 pm awaiting the arrival of the staff member from CFRPC.

The Planning Commission reconvened at 6:50 pm.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

City-Initiated Text Amendment to the Polk City Comprehensive Plan

Proposed comprehensive plan amendment to add a Property Rights Element to the Comprehensive Plan to ensure that private property rights are considered in local decision making consistent with Florida Statutes 163.3177(6). The amendments include the creation of a Property Rights Element in the Comprehensive Plan.

Dana Riddell (CFRPC) provided a thorough explanation on the amendment adding the Property Rights Element.

Chairman Baker opened the Public Hearing; no one spoke for or against this Amendment; therefore, Chairman Baker closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Chairman Baker to approve the City Initiated Text Amendment to the Polk City Comprehensive Plan; this motion was seconded by Alternate Member Gorski.

Motion carried by Voice Vote 4/0.

Land Development Code Amendments

City-initiated text amendments to the Land Development Code to address inconsistencies.

Dana Riddell (CFRPC) provided a brief explanation on the amendment to the Land Development Code addressing inconsistencies that exists. These inconsistencies consist of changes such as changing "Council" to "Commission", "City of Polk City" to "Polk City". Very minor verbiage changes.

Chairman Baker opened the Public Hearing; no one spoke for or against this Amendment; therefore, Chairman Baker closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Chairman Baker to approve the text amendments to the Land Development Code to address inconsistencies as discussed; this motion was seconded by Alternate Member Gorski.

Motion carried by Voice Vote 4/0.

Chairman Baker mentioned the bushes on SR 33 in front of Hungry Howie's need to be trimmed.

Member Thomas discussed street lights that are out throughout the City.

City Manager Jackson responded that Lakeland Electric will be called to handle light issues.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT- 7:20pm



Patricia Jackson, City Manager/Clerk



Robert Baker, Chairman