

FAIRMONT PLANNING COMMISSION

The special meeting of the Fairmont Planning Commission was held March 17th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Via WEBEX.

President Greene called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for a roll call of members.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Yann
Commissioner Wean
Commissioner Lambert
Commissioner Straight
Commissioner Richardson
Commissioner Bledsoe
President Greene

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Jura
Commissioner Majic

Commissioner Straight made a motion to excuse Commissioner Majic from the meeting. Commissioner Yann seconded the motion, all were in favor.

CITY STAFF

**Director– Shae Strait
Staff Assistant –Kirstin Poluck**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from February 10th, 2021

Commissioner Bledsoe motioned to approve the minutes and Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS TO SET FOR

There were no public hearings to set.

NEW BUSINESS

Planning Director Shae Strait discussed amendments he is proposing to make to the City Center zoning code. He wanted to bring forth these potential changes and to gauge how the Planning Commission would like things to proceed from here and to give them adequate time to look over potential changes. There would be text amendment changes to the city center and parking. Parking would be eliminated within the Center District. Property owners would use their own discretion for the parking guidelines of their business.

There are also a large number of things that need adjusted in the code such as reducing required driveway widths and to allow double tract driveways.

He wants to add the American with Disabilities Act design requirements for parking into the code making it clear for businesses and multi-family units. There also needs to be clarification on bicycle standards and a revamping of the loading bay requirements.

The commissioners did pose some questions for the Director of Planning regarding the updates. Commissioner Richardson would like to know how the parking would be recalculated as well as how will handicap parking be enforced. Shae stated that all changes are required to be meet developmental requirements and we are mandated to supply adequate handicap parking.

Commissioner Yann asked if the revamping the loading bay requirements would affect businesses old and new. Planning Director Shae Strait stated that the changes would only affect new businesses.

Commissioner Straight wanted to know if the changes would run into the comprehensive plan. Shae stated that yes, we will be making sure theses coincide with the comprehensive plan.

OTHER BUISNESS

The next meeting will be taking place in person once again.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Straight motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Bledsoe seconded the motion. All in favor.