Gladwin City Planning Commission
September 22, 2020

The Gladwin City Planning Commission met in regular session on September 22, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Chair Darlington at 5:15 pm. Chair Darlington stated the meeting was a hybrid meeting with the combination of some members present and others connecting virtually. Currently using Go To Meeting, but will be switching to Zoom prior to next meeting.
Roll call vote of member:
Commissioners present: Darlington, Clayton, Czape, English, King, Stout and Wendell
Commissioners absent: Emmeott and Gutierrez
Others present: Council Member Bodnar, Assessor Bernadette Weaver and Clerk Marietta Andrist.

1.) Minutes from the August 25, 2020 meeting were summarized by Assessor Weaver. Motion by Czape, supported by English, to approve the minutes as presented.
Roll Call vote:
Ayes: Czape, Clayton, Darlington, English, King, Stout, Wendell
Nays:
Absent: Emeott, Gutierrez
Abstained:
Motion carried.

2.) Site Plan Review-Satnam Petroleum (Citgo)
Owner Gary Singh is proposing an addition, mainly for storage. There would be two (2) additions at the location of Silverleaf and First Street. The first would be a 15 x 20 and the second a 15 x 25. The whole addition would be "L" shaped. The siding would be matched with existing. Also, the current storage sheds in the corner will be removed. Assessor Weaver requested the fence, which is deteriorating, be taken care of. All set backs are in order and there are no issues with the site plan.
Chair Darlington asked why it needed to come to the commission if everything was in order. Assessor Weaver stated it did exceed the square footage allowed for administrative review. Member Czape asked if he had that much room between his property and the property next to him. Assessor Weaver stated yes there was. Member Clayton asked how much is he over on the square footage, was it twenty-five percent of the existing footprint and asked if Weaver felt comfortable. Weaver stated yes.
Motion by Clayton, supported by Czape to approve the site plan as presented.
Roll Call vote:
Ayes: Czape, Clayton, Darlington, English, King, Stout, Wendell
Nays:
Absent: Emmeott, Gutierrez
Abstained:
Motion carried.

3.) Cancellation of December 22, 2020 meeting. Chair Darington stated there is normally not a lot going on that close to Christmas and normally the Planning Commission cancels the December meeting.
Motion by English, supported by Clayton to cancel the December Planning Commission meeting.
Roll Call vote:
Ayes: Czape, Clayton, Darlington, English, King, Stout, Wendell
Nays:
Absent: Emeott, Gutierrez
Abstained:

Motion carried.

4.) Updates & Correspondence. Chair Darlington stated there are three members who have terms coming up. The terms are staggered. Would like recommendation to give to the City Council. Will bring to the November Planning Commission meeting. Weaver stated Lambert Meat Market are currently working on lot lines and plan to add out the side. May have plans at the next meeting. There are also several canvas carports within the City and those are not allowed. Been working with people to get rid of those. Letters were recently. All said they could get rid of them, but now need some help or time getting them removed. English asked if people could have the aluminum type and Assessor Weaver stated yes, but not the canvas type. She had received one complaint about the canvas type and now has another, so the matter was put at the top of the list. Stout commented on concerns over getting builders at this time; were stated and maybe revisit next September. Wendell stated there could be delays due to circumstances, would push if we could. Assessor Weaver stated she would send letters and call the person who called. Chair Darlington commented to note it is a violation and it is not being ignored, but due to circumstances people would have one (1) year. Weaver stated the rules regarding outdoor alcohol consumption for dining have lessened and a few businesses within the city would have the ability to take advantage and offer this service. Although liquor restrictions have been lifted, a site plan maybe needed. Question about during winter. Businesses still could have space outdoors during the winter. Three that come to mind are Pipers, Mr. M's and Hotel Bar. This could help spruce up the area and certain parking areas could be used for seating. In Suttons Bay, during winter, they use yurts and ground floor heating. This information was relayed to the Chamber of Commerce at their September meeting, also.

Comments from Member: Wendell commented that if the Planning Commission maintained this these types of meeting, she could participate while in Florida.
Chair Darlington stated it would help those that maybe sick or traveling to attend as well and could allow for better participation.
Chair Darlington thanked Weaver and Marietta for setting up for the meeting. Appreciates all their work.
Motion by Chair Darlington, supported by English to adjourn the meeting at 5:59pm.
Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Czape, Clayton, Darlington, English, King, Stout, Wendell
Nays:
Absent: Emeott, Gutierrez
Abstained:
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
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City Clerk