

GLADWIN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION  
February 26, 2019

The Gladwin City Planning Commission met in regular session. The meeting was called to order by Chair Darlington at 5:15 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners present: Darlington, Auer, David, Stout, Czape, Emeott, English and Clayton.

Commissioners absent: Wendell.

Also present: Zoning Administrator Weaver, Mayor Jungman, Councilwoman Bodnar, Councilman Crawford, DDA Chair Jeff Zettel, Joe Frey, Pastor Brad Withrow, Michael Murray, Sharon Campbell and John Iacoangeli.

Weaver reviewed the minutes of January 22, 2019. Motion by Commissioner Stout, supported by Clayton to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Auer, supported by Commissioner Stout to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing for a proposed change to the zoning ordinance. Weaver read the proposed language change, noting that no comments, written or verbal had been received and Darlington opened the floor for comments. There were no questions from those in attendance or from the commissioners. Motion by Commissioner Auer, supported by Emeott to adjourn the public hearing and reconvene the regular session. All ayes. Motion carried. Public hearing adjourned and regular meeting re-convened at 5:17 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner David, supported by Commissioner Stout to recommend the following change to the City Council: Section 602, 6.a. 3a. & Section 602, 6.a. 4. f.: "One additional wall sign may be allowed per business, per exposed wall, the combined total not to exceed more than ten (10) percent of the exposed area, not to exceed one hundred fifty (150) square feet with the provision that such additional signs in multi-tenant buildings be contiguous when at all possible. Any signs installed pursuant to this section and any exceptions made for area and / or contiguity shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission." All ayes. Motion carried.

John Iacoangeli of Beckett and Raeder was introduced by Frey. His firm has been contracted to prepare a new Master Plan for the City. He presented a copy of the proposed work plan to develop the document. A steering committee has been appointed to help with assessments of attitudes and priorities relative to the community outreach process. Monies from Rising Tide and City of Gladwin will fund the process. The city is very happy with funding assistance and expertise to create an updated Master Plan that will comply with various requirements set forth by the State of Michigan via Re-development Ready Communities initiative. Meetings are being scheduled for the Master Plan review and the Public Participation Plan committee will meet April 4, 2019.

Darlington attended a recent meeting focusing on alternative energy sponsored by Consumers Energy and Michigan Works. Much of the focus was on wind energy but it proved instructive. The Commission will focus on language to add a solar energy component to the zoning ordinance and hopes to have a proposal ready in the next few months.

The Capital Improvements Committee met and their report will be presented at the March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting which is also the required annual joint Planning-Parks-City Council meeting.  
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Commissioner Czape presented a summary of the information he has gathered regarding food truck regulations and some suggestions for review. Commissioner English will have his summary prepared for the next meeting. The commissioners will review the information in its entirety at the regular April meeting.

Weaver forwarded information regarding upcoming Renewable Energy Summit meetings. Commissioners are encouraged to review the locations and dates and notify her if interested in attending and she will make reservations.

Frey notified those present that a community branding event will take place March 11<sup>th</sup> at Riverwalk Place.

The meeting was adjourned by Darlington at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Joan David  
Secretary