

**GEORGETOWN-SCOTT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

August 8, 2013

The regular meeting was held in the Scott County Courthouse on August 8, 2013. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Greg Hampton at 6:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Jeff Caldwell, Cindy Foster, Janet Holland, Rob Jones, John Shirley, Steve Smith, and Frank Wiseman, Planning Director Earl Smith, Senior Planner Joe Kane, Engineer Brent Combs, and Attorney Charlie Perkins. Absent was Commissioner Horace Wynn.

Those in attendance who intended to speak before the Commission were sworn in by Attorney Perkins.

Motion by Shirley, second by Foster, to approve the July invoices. Motion carried.

Motion by Jones, second by Wiseman, to approve the July 11, 2013 minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jones, second by Shirley, to approve the August agenda. Motion carried.

Postponements/Withdrawals

There were no items for postponement or withdrawal.

Consent Agenda

Representatives of the Tevis Property and Sparrow Cattle Company applications agreed with their respective conditions of approval and there were no concerns expressed by the Commission or public. Motion by Caldwell, second by Smith, to approve the two items on the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

PDP-2013-16 TMMK Expansion - Preliminary Development Plan for an approximately 310,900 sq. ft. expansion of an industrial manufacturing facility, located on the west side of Cherry Blossom Way.

Commissioner Caldwell recused himself from discussion and voting due to his employment at Toyota Motor Manufacturing.

Mr. Kane reviewed the staff report. He noted the location of the expansion and the utility work needing done, and addressed the interior and perimeter landscaping (including the requested variance to match the previous requirements), stormwater detention, and traffic issues. Regarding traffic, he noted the new I-75 interchange that will be constructed at mile marker 127 which will provide indirect access to the Toyota plant and access to Cherry Blossom Way for employee traffic, and alleviate congestion at the Connector Road intersection. It will also provide a route to Champion Way and the western bypass. He stated that the interchange still has to go through the regular transportation planning process and get on the State's Six-year Plan, which should happen within the next year.

He recommended approval of the plan, including the requested variance.

Commissioner Holland asked about the start date for the proposed interchange. Mr. Kane stated that the anticipated date is 2014.

Kim Menke, Toyota Motor Manufacturing, stated that he worked with the State on the incentive package that was approved for the expansion, and improvements to traffic safety and traffic flow were one of the conditions that were part of the decision-making for the project. One of the commitments made by the Economic Development Cabinet with the support of the Transportation Secretary was that the interchange will be built by the State, and it will be done in concert with construction of the current Toyota expansion. The projected date for production of the new Lexus line is early fall, 2015. The interchange still needs to be approved by the General Assembly and placed into the Six-Year Plan and budget for 2014-15, and steps are being taken for that to happen.

The location of the interchange was briefly discussed.

Motion by Jones, second by Holland, to approve the Preliminary Development Plan, including the requested variance, and subject to the eight (8) conditions of approval. Motion carried.

Update on bonding ordinance review

Mr. Combs reported that a survey will be posted on the office website soon that will provide information needed for amending the City bonding ordinance. He will also have discussions with the Magistrates to determine if they wish the County bonding ordinance to be amended.

U.S. 25 S. Small Area Plan Update

Mr. Kane reported that staff is in the final stages of putting the report together. It will be posted on the website and emailed to the Advisory Committee members and others soon for comment before the public hearing. He suggested holding a special Planning Commission meeting devoted solely to review and public hearing of the plan.

Motion by Jones, second by Shirley, to hold a special meeting on Thursday, August 29 at 6:00 for the purpose of reviewing the proposed U.S. 25 S. Small Area Plan. Motion carried.

Update of previously approved projects and agenda items

Mr. Smith reported that a representative from KYTC will attend the September meeting to discuss transportation issues and answer questions that have come up in the recent past.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully,

Greg Hampton, Chairman

Attest:

Charlie Perkins, Secretary