



**Planning Commission Meeting
4:30pm, Wednesday, July 14, 2021
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and
broadcasted live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms>**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Scott Pierce, Steven Corney, Sandy Stone, Marty Brown, Ron Denton, David Cohen, and Douglas Kerr, Director of Planning

Absent: Lisa Safford

2. Approval of minutes

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2021 special meeting, the June 8, 2021 special meeting, and the June 15, 2021 regular meeting. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. New Business

Discuss new assignment from City Council to review short-term rental policies

Director Kerr stated that City Council would like for the Planning Commission to look into “issues stemming from short-term rentals” and to consider whether or not a cap on those rentals would be in order. He briefly reviewed the work on short-term rentals completed by the Planning Commission in 2019, resulting in a series of recommendations and enforcement tools to the City Council.

Commissioners engaged in a lengthy discussion of the data and metrics they would need to conduct such a review. Such data might include the number of noise complaints from short-term rental units, tonnage of debris, traffic counts, number of bedrooms and maximum occupancy in short-term rentals, the number and makeup of the building permits being applied for, and the number short-term license renewals and the number of short-term rentals that did not renew from the previous year.

An initial review of this data will be discussed at a Special Meeting of the Planning Commission on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 4:15pm.

B. Discuss housing data from Assessor

Director Kerr reported that the newly requested data from the Assessor’s office has just arrived. Mr. Pierce, Mr. Cohen, and Mr. Corney will be working on analyzing that data.

C. Consider making recommendation on drainage master plan RFP

Commissioners discussed the \$248,000 bid from Davis & Floyd. They agreed they would like to see more of a cost breakdown as well as time and labor breakdowns for each task.

D. Consider making recommendation on extending outdoor sales exemption

Director Kerr said that this proposed ordinance will circumvent the BOZA approval process for restaurants requesting outdoor dining. The Real Property Committee has recommended January 31, 2023 as the end date for this allowance.

MOTION: Mr. Stone made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Real Property Committee of an expiration date of January 31, 2023 in Ordinance 2021-10.

4. Old Business

A. Review of the Priority Investment Element of the Comprehensive Plan

Commissioners agreed they like the direction of the proposed draft of the Priority Investment Element. They would like to have traffic mitigation added to the list of projects discussed in this section.

5. Miscellaneous Business

There will be a Special Meeting of the Planning Commission on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 4:15pm.

The next regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 4:30pm.

6. Adjournment

Mr. Stone made a motion to adjourn, and Cohen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk