

PLANNING COMMISSION
4:30pm, Wednesday, January 8, 2020
City Hall Conference Room
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

MINUTES

1. Call to order

Present: Richard Ferencz, Vince DiGangi, William Mills, Lisa Safford, Lewis and Ron Denton (arrived at 4:59pm), Douglas Kerr, Director of Planning

Absent: Lewis Gregory

2. Nomination and election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Mr. Mills made a motion to nominate Mr. Ferencz for Chairman of the Planning Commission. Ms. Safford seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken with all in favor of Mr. Ferencz as Chairman of the Planning Commission.

Ms. Safford made a motion to nominate Mr. DiGangi as Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken with all in favor of Mr. DiGangi as Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission.

3. Public Comments -- none

4. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Safford made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting, and Mr. DiGangi seconded the motion. The minutes passed unanimously.

4. New Business

A. Discuss Potential New Projects

Director Kerr shared the Planning Commission is required to review the Comprehensive Plan this year. A full update is not required at this time unless they deem it necessary. Discussion ensued as to how go about the review – delegate commissioners to work on specific parts or work on the document together as a whole. Director Kerr said he would email the link to the Comprehensive Plan to the Commissioners, and a decision about how to conduct the review would be decided at the next meeting.

Several other projects were suggested, but it was determined they lie outside the purview of the Planning Commission.

5. Miscellaneous

A. Update MOU with Water and Sewer Commission

Director Kerr said the MOU and any talk about the Water & Sewer Commission's \$16 million bond request are on hold at the moment. The current stalemate has indicated the need for more cooperation between the City and the Water & Sewer Commission.

B. Update on drainage planning

Director Kerr said the City has received an early indication from OCRM that the City will be responsible for mitigating a smaller area than originally thought. He said the engineers are pleased with this and are having meetings with OCRM and ACE. Documents for permitting are being prepared. The funding for Phase III will be part of the next budget planning process. He also reported that the smaller drainage projects are underway and on schedule.

C. Update on short-term rental recommendations

Director Kerr said these recommendations will start their process towards City Council this month after being discussed by the Real Property Committee.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk