

**MINUTES
TRAVERSE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING**

Tuesday, April 17, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Commission Chambers
Governmental Center, 2nd Floor
400 Boardman Avenue
Traverse City, Michigan 49684

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER-** Chairperson Koebert called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL-** Mrs. Luick called roll for the Planning Commission.

PRESENT: Commissioners Janet Fleshman, Vice-chairperson Mike Grant, Brian Haas, David Hassing, Chairperson Linda Koebert, Brian McGillivary, Heather Shaw and Camille Weatherholt.

ABSENT: Commissioner Jim Tuller.

STAFF: Russ Soyring, Planning Director; Missy Luick, Planning and Engineering Assistant

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS-**

- Mrs. Luick announced that an ordinance codification was distributed along with instructions as to which pages to remove and replace.
- Mrs. Luick also announced that the May 15, 2018 study session has been moved to May 22, 2018.

4. **2018 Boardman River Walk Phase I Project-** Review for Consistency with Master Plan
(Action Requested)

Mrs. Luick summarized her April 12, 2018 communication to the Planning Commission that outlined how the project conforms to the Master Plan in terms of location, extent and character.

The following addressed the Commission:

- Jean Derenzy, Downtown Development Authority CEO

Commission discussion.

Motion by Commissioner Haas, second by Commissioner Shaw, that the 2018 Boardman River Walk Phase I Project is found to be consistent with the City Master Plan in terms of location, extent and character and that the action be communicated to the City Commission.

The following made public comment on the topic:

- Andy Silk, 713 Lake Avenue

Motion carried 8-0 (Commissioner Tuller absent).

5. Medical Marihuana- Discussion regarding possible amendments related to the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act of 2016 (*Discussion*)

Mr. Soyring summarized his April 11, 2018 communication to the Planning Commission summarizing the directive from the City Commission to establish possible zoning to allow medical marihuana, the five medical marihuana license categories and several questions to address to give staff direction on preparing an ordinance amendment.

The following addressed the Commission:

- Lauren Tribble-Laucht, City Attorney
- Jeff O'Brien, City Police Chief

Commission discussion included that the Planning Commission was open to allowing all five licensing categories of medical marihuana within the city limits. General discussion regarding how many of each type of facility, separation requirements and zoning districts allowable for each use was discussed.

The following made public comment on the topic:

- Kristen Tenza of Troy, Michigan
- Tina Schuett, 728 W. 7th Street
- Andy Silk, 713 Lake Avenue
- Adrienne Rossi, 312 W. 7th Street
- Tera Lanczak, Michigan Marijuana Law Experts
- Rick Buckhalter, 932 Kelley Street

Commission discussion.

Staff to work on an amendment for possible introduction at the May 1, 2018 Planning Commission meeting.

At 8:53 p.m., a 5 minute recess was called.

At 8:58 p.m., the meeting resumed.

6. Tourist Homes- Discussion regarding possible amendments regarding Tourist Homes (*Discussion*)

Mrs. Luick summarized her April 11, 2018 communication to the Planning Commission which included a general summary of the draft amendment, results of the Planning Commission questionnaire and discussion of the amendment considerations to be discussed.

Commission discussion.

The following made public comment on the topic:

- Dani Mullen, 406 W 7th Street
- Dave Durbin, 203 E 11th Street
- Sheila Peek, 2116 Aspen Drive
- Bob Stuber 1620 High Street
- Sherrie Bostwick, 709 Cherokee
- Paula Korndorfer, 1120 Pine Needle Lane
- Jan Tharp, 135 E. 13th Street
- Enid Hagerty, 208 W. 11th Street
- Adrienne Rossi, 312 W. 7th Street
- Gary Schilkey, 421 Webster
- Jan Cleland, 211 W. 12th Street
- Linda Lichty, 715 Pine Street

Commission discussion.

Staff intends to bring an ordinance amendment to the Planning Commission for the May 1, 2018 Planning Commission Regular Meeting.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Adrienne Rossi, 312 W. 7th Street
- Mrs. Luick commented that she photographed a snowy owl outside her downtown home.
- Commissioner Shaw is thankful for Denno's Museum and how wonderful it is for our community.

8. ADJOURNMENT- Chairperson Koebert adjourned the meeting at 10:54 p.m.

Date: May 1, 2018

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Shaw
Heather Shaw, Secretary