## MINUTES CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING LARAMIE PLANNING COMMISSION January 27, 2020

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair McGrath at 4:30 p.m.

Members present: Marc Homer, Jordan Giese, Katherine Kasckow, Maura Hanning, Shannon Polk, Brent Roth, and Jim McGrath (Chair).

Members absent: None.

Council Liaison: Bryan Shuster (present)

Staff Present: Derek Teini, Matthew Cox, Todd Feezer, and Ryan Shoefelt.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

## 2.A.Changes and Approval of Agenda

MOTION BY KASCKOW, seconded by Giese, that the Agenda was approved as written.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

## 2.B. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

#### 2.B.i. LPC Minutes 1.13.2020

MOTION BY GIESE, seconded by Roth, to approve the minutes from January 13, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote. Members Homer and Hanning abstained.

#### 3. CITIZEN COMMENTS - Non-Agenda Related Topics - No Action Can Be Taken

#### 4. PLANNING COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Teini- Reminder of tomorrow night's joint work session with Council. Teini- Census will be starting up soon, employment opportunities.

# **5. DISCLOSURES - Ex-parte communications; potential conflicts of interest** None.

## 6. CURRENT PLANNING PROJECTS

## **6.A. OLD BUSINESS:**

6.A.i. FP-19-01: Spring Creek Village First Filing Final Plat

MOTION BY GIESE, seconded by Kasckow, to postpone the Spring Creek Village First Filing Final Plat (FP-19-01) at the applicants request to the February 10, 2020 Planning Commission meeting. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

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#### **6.B. NEW BUSINESS:**

6.B.i. CPA-19-02 Amendment to The Laramie Comprehensive Plan (2007), Future Land Use Map (Map 3.2) For 1171 & 1271 W Baker Street (KOA)

MOTION BY KASCKOW, seconded by Homer, to approve Planning Commission Resolution 2020-01, amending Future Land Use Plan Map (Map 3.2) of the Comprehensive Plan for the property described in the Resolution, located at 1171 & 1271 W. Baker Street, for an area approximately 19 acres in size, by changing the Future Land Use Designation from AUM (Auto Urban Multifamily) to AUC (Auto-Urban Commercial), based on findings of fact and conclusions of law, and to forward the item to City Council for certification. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

### 6.B.ii. Z-19-03 Zoning Amendment from B1 To B2 for 1171 & 1271 W Baker Street (KOA)

MOTION BY GIESE, seconded by Roth, to recommend that City Council approve an amendment to The City of Laramie's Official Zoning Map, rezoning 1171 & 1271 W Baker Street from B1 (Limited Business) to B2 (Business) Zone District, based on findings of fact and conclusions of law. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

MOTION BY ROTH, seconded by Kasckow, to adjourn as the Planning Commission and reconvene as Board of Adjustment.

Adjourned at 5:17 pm.

Convened at 5:17 pm.

#### 7. LONG RANGE PLANNING PROJECTS

No items.

## 8. VARIANCES (sitting as Board of Adjustment)

(Swearing in of witnesses.)

8.A. VAR-19-05: 1457 N. Cedar Street

MOTION BY ROTH, seconded by Giese, to approve the requested variance from Laramie Municipal Code 15.14.100.D.2.a and 15.14.100.D.5.a-c to allow the applicant to have a non-compliant chain link fence on a property that is within the Gateway Overlay Zone, as well as along a collector street, zoned I2/Gateway Overlay Zone, based on findings of fact and conclusions of law with adjustments to findings of fact:

- a. Special circumstances-the property falls both within and beyond the gateway overlay zone. b. Strict application of code-would limit the applicant's choice of building materials that would
- provide both aesthetics and security and the compromises that have been made as provided by Matthew Cox.
- c. Not applicable.
- d. Granting of the adjustments- by continuing the upgraded fencing roughly 100 to 120 feet along Lyons street, such that the upgraded fencing is aligned with the adjacent building, would meet the minimum adjustment to accomplish this purpose.
- e. Granting of this variance- would be in harmony with code such that they have upgraded the fencing within the Gateway Overlay Zone and along Cedar street, and the businesses to the south on Lyons street would be allowed chain link fence.

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f. Granting of the variance- as written by Matthew Cox.

Adding the following conditions:

- 1. The variance gives them until October 1st to complete these upgrades.
- 2. This section of fence is approximately 110 feet long in 10' sections. Mr. Smith will insert green slats into the chain link throughout this section of fence. Additionally, Mr. Smith will construct a living wall approximately 2' X 6' in each 10' section of fence facing Cedar St. See Exhibit 2a and 2b. These sections of living fence will alternate with Virginia creeper. See Exhibit 2c and 2d. As well as continue the 100 to 120 feet along Lyons street off Cedar street.

Roll call showed Aye: Giese, Hanning, Homer, Kasckow, Polk, Roth, and McGrath. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

#### 9. ADJOURN

MOTION BY ROTH, seconded by Kasckow, to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

APPROVED:

Jim McGrath, Planning Commission Chair

Derek Teini, Planning Manager

Date