

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
PLANNING COMMISSION-CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY OF LOWELL, MICHIGAN
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017, AT 7:00 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL.**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by City Clerk Susan Ullery and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Commissioners David Cadwallader, Bruce Barker, Marty Chambers, John Gerard, Jim Salzwedel, Alan Teelander and Chair James Zandstra.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Clerk Susan Ullery and Williams and Works Planner David Jirousek

2. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

A. **CHAIR**

IT WAS MOVED BY CHAMBERS to nominate Bruce Barker as Chair for the Lowell Planning-Citizen Advisory Commission.

No further nominations were made.

IT WAS MOVED BY ZANDSTRA and seconded by CADWALLADER to elect Bruce Barker as Chair for the Lowell Planning-Citizen Advisory Commission.

YES: 6. NO: 0. ABSTAIN: 1. (Barker) ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was turned over to Chair Barker.

B. **VICE CHAIR**

IT WAS MOVED BY CHAMBERS and seconded by ZANDSTRA to elect Jim Salzwedel as Vice Chair for the Lowell Planning-Citizen Advisory Commission.

No further nominations were made.

YES: 7. NO: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

C. **REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF PLANNING COMMISSION RULES OF PROCEDURE.** The Rules of Procedure were reviewed.

IT WAS MOVED BY ZANDSTRA and seconded by CADWALLADER to adopt the Rules of Procedure as written.

YES: 7. NO: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

IT WAS MOVED BY SALZWEDEL and seconded by ZANDSTRA to approve the agenda as written.

YES: 7. NO: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS.**

IT WAS MOVED BY TEELANDER and seconded by CADWALLADER that the minutes of the November 14, 2016 regular meeting be approved as written.

YES: 7. NO: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.**

No comments were received.

6. **OLD BUSINESS.**

a. Zoning Ordinance Revisions – Chapter 4.

Williams and Works Planner David Jirousek reviewed various changes of “Chapter 4 – General Provisions” as discussed previously by the Commission. Discussion continued amongst the Commissioners.

By general consensus, the Commission agreed to review Chapter 17 next.

7. **NEW BUSINESS.**

a. Approval of 2017 meeting dates:

IT WAS MOVED BY CADWALLADER and seconded by GERARD to approve the meeting dates as written.

YES: 7. NO: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED

8. **STAFF REPORT.**

There were no questions or comments.

9. **COMMISSIONERS REMARKS**

Commissioner Zandstra congratulated Chair Barker.

Vice Chair Salzwedel commented on medical marijuana and dispensary shops and suggested this be discussed further at the next meeting. Salzwedel also congratulated Chair Barker.

Commissioner Teelander congratulated both Chair Barker and Vice Chair Salzwedel.

Commissioner Chambers congratulated Chair Barker and Vice Chair Salzwedel. Chambers also commented on the idea of building on roof tops and if it can or cannot be regulated. Chair Barker stated he would be in favor of this.

Chair Barker commented on the fairground property and suggested the City Council and Planning Commission work together regarding the future of the property.

IT WAS MOVED BY SALZWEDEL and seconded by TEELANDER to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

DATE:

APPROVED:

Bruce Barker, Chair

Susan S. Ullery, City Clerk