



MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
City Hall – 550 Swift Boulevard – Council Chamber
WEDNESDAY, May 27, 2015
7:00 PM

Call to Order:

Chair Madsen called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Attendance:

Present: Commissioners Berkowitz, Clark, Palmer, Wallner (arrived 7:02), Wise, Vice-Chair Boring and Chair Madsen. Also present were City Council Liaison Phil Lemley, Public Works staff Jeff Peters, Development Services Manager Rick Simon, and Recorder Pam Bykonen.

Approval of Agenda:

Chair Madsen presented the May 27, 2015 meeting agenda for approval.

The May 27, 2015 meeting agenda was approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Madsen presented the meeting minutes of the March 25, 2015 meeting for approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boring and seconded by Chairman Madsen to approve the meeting minutes of the March 25, 2015 meeting as written.

Commissioner Berkowitz objected to the new format of action only meeting minutes.

Motion to approve carried 6-1, with Berkowitz casting the dissenting vote.

Public Comment

No public was present.

PUBLIC HEARING

New Business

- 1. APPLICANT: CITY OF RICHLAND
2016-20121 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

Mr. Peters reviewed the six-year Transportation Improvement Program. He noted that this is a planning tool and not all projects listed will move forward, although a road alignment study for Rachel Road is planned in 2016.

This item will be on the June 16, 2015 City Council agenda where additional public testimony can be given.

Public Hearing

With no public in attendance, there was no testimony was given (7:23 PM).

Discussion:

Commissioner Berkowitz expressed concern regarding how proposed paths would impact wetlands, the lack of a traffic signal at Snyder Street for crossings across Stevens Drive, the need for bike lanes on Swift and the potential for other modes of travel.

Commissioner Wise suggested consulting with the City's crime prevention unit regarding pedestrian underpass safety.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boring and seconded by Vice-Chair Wallner to approve the 2016-2021 Six-year Transportation Improvement Program.

MOTION PASSED 6-0; Commissioner Berkowitz abstained.

Communications:

Mr. Simon

- Reminded all of the items at the next workshop on June 10th workshop and June 24th meeting.

Commissioner Clark

- Would like to return to meeting minutes with more detail.

Commissioner Wise

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ADJOURNMENT:

The May 27, 2015 Richland Planning Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM.

PREPARED BY: Pam Bykonen, Recorder, Planning and Development

REVIEWED BY:



Rick Simon, Secretary
Richland Planning Commission