



**PLANNING & ZONING MEETING
Minutes of September 20, 2016**

The Alexandria Planning & Zoning Commission met in regular session on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Chairperson Dave Hart opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the following members answering roll call:

Present:	Dave Hart, Chair	Sonny Markus	Randy Nehus
	Rick Neltner	Nick Reitman	
Absent:	Dan Feldmann	Ron Johnson	
Also:	Jan Johannemann, Asst. City Clerk		

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 6, 2016

MOTION: Sonny Markus made a motion to approve the minutes of September 6, 2016, seconded by Nick Reitman. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-1 with Mr. Hart abstaining.

VISITORS & GUESTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Everyone had copies of the subdivision improvement plans from the last meeting, specifically the 24-month timeline for beginning a project once approval was obtained. Since then, Carol has checked neighboring communities, and has found the 24-month timeline is pretty common. Mr. Hart would prefer to see 18-22 months, with a 6-month window. If there has been no significant activity on a new build or large expansion after 6 months, then ask for an update. He doesn't want someone to get an approval and then sit on it for 24 months. There was a lengthy discussion about the amount of time to give someone, whether and when to ask for an update, the frequency of the updates, and whether anything that had already been approved would be "grandfathered" in under the current requirements. Mr. Hart will run a final decision past the City Attorney.

Mr. Neltner asked what was happening with the old Webb Motel on US 27 that is all boarded up. Something needs to be done to either clean up the property or tear down the building. The owner has submitted a demolition permit application and when the County issues the permit, the building will be torn. There are other properties in the city that are also eyesores, including many areas where there is high grass. Mr. Neltner asked if there are ordinances, particularly for along US 27, where the setbacks should be kept cleaned and mowed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Hart said between now and the end of the year, he would like to completely finalize the review of the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. Carol has a list of the changes, and Mr. Hart would like to go through other sections to make changes and updates, so please start reviewing these in depth. Mr. Hart will pick a few sections so the commissioners can come prepared for the next meeting.

INTERNAL BUSINESS:

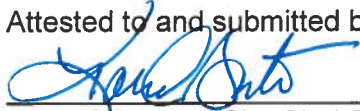
Carol had e-mailed everyone about a class on October 22nd for those who still needed to complete their educational hours. Mr. Markus is definitely interested if he will be in town.

ORIGINAL

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Randy Nehus made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Nick Reitman. All in favor, the motion passed with a 5-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Attested to and submitted by:



Karen M. Barto, City Clerk/Treasurer

Dated 10/6/16



Dave Hart, Chair

Dated 10/4/16