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**PLANNING & ZONING MEETING
Minutes of October 18, 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 Dan Feldmann
Ron Johnson

Also: Carol Hofstetter, Zoning Administrator William Rachford, Mayor
Jan Johannemann, Asst. City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 4, 2016

Mr. Johnson asked what made the curb cut for the middle entrance/exit at the Speedway a right in/right out that was discussed at the last meeting. There is no sign stating this. Mr. Neltner explained the curb detail is designed to direct a vehicle to turn right only. Mr. Hart said it's probable any future approvals will not include this type of design.

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

VISITORS & GUESTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Review Zoning Ordinance Sec. 418 (Highway Commercial) -

Mr. Johnson pointed out they should consider existing businesses when making any changes.

Mr. Neltner asked for an update from the Mayor on his meeting about the Speedway entrance discussed at the last meeting. Mayor Rachford met last Thursday with the PD, the school superintendent, Joe Fischer, Wil Schroeder, and a representative from KDOT. They discussed adding street lights, closing off the entrance, changing the start time for schools, extending length of school zones, timing of the traffic lights, diverting some traffic off 27 away from the Middle School, bicycle paths to CCMS, and adding another drop-off point for buses from Riley Road. One thing schools could do right now is to educate their students on traffic rules for walkers and those riding bikes.

The commissioners discussed the possibility of closing the middle entrance into the Speedway. Mr. Feldmann pointed out P&Z approved that Site Plan several years ago which included those curb cuts. Mayor Rachford will contact Speedway to get their thoughts on closing that entrance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Hart said there have been a couple of instances in the past year at residential and commercial construction sites where there was a noise issue at a particular time of day. He believes noisy construction should only be done between daylight and dusk, including the weekends. Carol has had calls complaining about construction (hammering on roofs) in Eagle Ridge on Saturday at 6:30 a.m. She notified the contractor who took care of the matter. Carol will check with other cities to see what types of regulations they have and bring it back to the commission for something to work from. Mr. Neltner would like to see a protective noise barrier between whatever is existing and the new construction causing the noise. Mr. Hart pointed out each site plan that comes before P&Z is different and therefore plans to keep noise down should be built into the development plans.

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INTERNAL BUSINESS:

There is a training class this Saturday, October 22, from 8:30 – Noon. If anyone is still interested in attending this class, please contact Carol ASAP to reserve a spot.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Dan Feldmann made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sonny Markus. All in favor, the motion passed with a 6-0-1 vote with Mr. Hart abstaining. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Attested to and submitted by:



Karen M. Barto, City Clerk/Treasurer

Dated 11/2/16



Dave Hart, Chair

Dated 11/1/16