

MINUTES
Agenda Review Meeting
Tuesday, March 8, 2016
City – County Building

The Knoxville/Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission convened on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at Noon in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building for the monthly Agenda Review meeting. In spite of the incredible beautiful weather, the following Planning Commissioners were in attendance: Jack Sharp, Scott Smith, Len Johnson, Janice Tocher, Art Clancy, III, Jeff Roth, Elizabeth Eason, Mike Crowder, Laura Cole, Rebecca Longmire, Chair of MPC, Mac Goodwin, and Rev. Charles Lomax, Jr. Also in attendance were MPC Executive Director, Gerald Green, and various MPC staff members.

Commission Chair Longmire called the meeting to order promptly at 12:11 o'clock p.m. Thereupon Mr. Green introduced Robin Aggers, a realtor with Coldwell Banker, for a presentation about the demand for residential housing in Knox County, and the added value of sidewalks in residential developments. Throughout the course of her comments, Ms. Aggers responded to questions from Commissioners, and a colloquy ensued.

At the conclusion of Ms. Aggers comments Commission Johnson left the meeting.

Mr. Green then reported on the Neighborhood Awards Luncheon and a meeting with the Knoxville Chapter of the Association of General Contractors. Mr. Green also provided a status report on the following:

- development of Mixed Use Standards for the Bearden community
- revision on the City's Parking Ordinance
- drafting of an Alternative Financial Services Ordinance
- development of the Midway Community Plan; and
- development of a Mobility Plan for the TPO region

Mr. Green also advised the Commissioners of training opportunity at MTAS on May 24, 2016, with provisions for scholarships, and the planned work sessions for the proposed revisions to the Subdivision Regulations later in the week.

Tom Brechko of MPC Staff then spoke at length about two opportunities to participate in a review of the proposed revised Subdivision Regulations, and the resources available on MPC's most excellent website. Mr. Brechko waxed on and on and on regarding: the parameter for comments to the proposal; the address for submittal of comments; preparation and availability of DVD discs to review a video recording of the two meetings; the location on MPC's most excellent website for information regarding the proposed subdivision revisions; and his personal concerns that the Subdivision Regulations may crash MPC's most excellent website. During the course of Mr. Brechko's

lengthy remarks, he (with the assistance of other MPC staff) pulled up a copy of the applicable page on MPC's most excellent website which was projected onto a screen above the dias and on a screen facing the Commissioners, all in a stunning fashion.

Michael Brusseau of MPC staff then explained a One Year Plan proposal which is identified as Agenda Item 8 in the March Agenda along with the process for collecting public input. He explained the conformity of the One Year Plan with the applicable Sector Plan, which will result from the adoption of the proposed revisions. Mr. Brusseau responded to questions regarding the process.

Deputy Dan Kelly then explained the staff recommendation for Agenda Item 10.

Mr. Brechko then discussed the status of Agenda Item 11.

Mike Reynolds of MPC staff then explained the staff recommendations for Agenda Items 27 and 28.

Mr. Brusseau then explained the staff recommendation for Agenda Item 32. Commissioner Smith left the meeting during the course of that explanation, but returned promptly.

Mr. Brechko and Mr. Kelly then provided further insight with regard to Agenda Item 32, particularly with regard to prior development in the area abutting the application. During the course of input from Brechko and Kelly, there was a display of the MPC's GIS maps by projections onto the screens located above the dias and facing the Commissioners, resulting in an unavoidable comparison with the antiquated slide shows of years past, as were presented by former MPC staff member Ken Pruitt.

Mr. Reynold then explained the staff recommendation for Agenda Item 40 and responded to questions from Commissioners.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was duly adjourned.

This 8th day of March, 2016.

Recording Secretary