

MINUTES
Agenda Review Meeting
Tuesday, September 12, 2017
City – County Building

The Knoxville/Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission, being renewed, refreshed, rejuvenated and reinvigorated by the Commissioners' Retreat held in late August, reconvened on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, at 11:30 o'clock a.m. in the small Assembly Room of the City-County Building for the monthly Agenda Review meeting. In attendance were Planning Commissioners Elizabeth Eason, Mac Goodwin, Chris Ooten, Rebecca Longmire, Chair of MPC, Jeffrey Cole, Art Clancy, III, Gayle Bustin, Laura Cole, Patrick Phillips and Mike Crowder.

Also in attendance were MPC Executive Director Gerald Green, and various MPC staff members.

Mr. Green called the meeting to order at 11:41 o'clock a.m. and noted that deviating from the norm, the meeting would **not** include a PowerPoint presentation on an engaging topical matter. Mr. Green then delivered the monthly Executive Director's Report (without the benefit of the PowerPoint) including the following:

- The update of the City's Zoning Ordinance continues with a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 5:30 o'clock p.m. at Central United Methodist Church, at which time the consultants will present their Technical Report as well as their proposed direction for the new Zoning Ordinance format.
- The thirty-fourth (34th) iteration of the Parking Ordinance, previously approved by the Planning Commission, is going to the City Council for consideration this week.
- The amendments to the C-3, C-6 and C-1 Zones previously approved by the Planning Commission are likewise going to the City Council for consideration this week.
- Staff will begin meeting with `stakeholder groups regarding the anticipated John Sevier Scenic Corridor Plan. A brief discussion of what constitutes "scenic" ensued.
- An RFP is being prepared by Staff for an Implementation Plan for Chapman Highway improvements.
- Staff reorganization has been finalized. Deputy Executive Director Dan Kelly will be attending to additional administrative duties. Amy Brooks is now responsible for oversight of both community and long-range planning as well as Development Services. Commissioners will be provided a new organizational chart in the following days.

- The County Law Director has rendered a written opinion that the Growth Policy Plan is no longer valid for Knox County. This opinion creates interesting opportunities for the community.

Tom Brechko of MPC Staff then explained the latest revisions to the proposed Subdivision Regulations which are identified as Agenda Item 5, and which will be presented to the Commission for consideration at Thursday's meeting. Mr. Brechko discussed the sidewalk requirements in the new regulations, after which followed a general discussion.

Jeff Archer of MPC Staff then explained the Staff Recommendations for Agenda Items 7 and 8, being the Cell Tower Amendments for both the City and the County.

Mr. Green explained briefly the issues with Agenda Item 39 at which time Michael Brusseau of MPC Staff explained the Staff Recommendation.

Mike Reynolds of MPC Staff then explained the Staff Recommendation for Agenda Item 53 at which time Commissioner Ooten left the meeting. At the conclusion of the explanation, there followed a discussion about the hours of operation for the business proposed in Agenda Item 53. Commissioner Ooten returned to the meeting at this time. The discussion regarding Agenda Item 53 continued.

Mr. Reynolds then explained the Staff Recommendation for Agenda Item 63 and responded to Commissioners' questions.

Deputy Executive Director Dan Kelly then rose to advise that Agenda Item 64, a request for an extension of time for the completion of subdivision improvements, will not be on Consent Agenda.

Mr. Green then advised the Commission that City Council asked the City Law Director to opine on whether plans are to be reviewed by City Staff on administrative decisions. Mr. Kelly rose again to explain that the impetus for the request arose out of a proposed rezoning of portions of the property located at the Midway Road interchange.

There being no further business, the Agenda Review meeting was duly adjourned.

This 12th day of September, 2017.

Recording Secretary