MINUTES (NOT YET APPROVED) CITY OF GARNETT, KANSAS PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

AUGUST 16, 2022

The August 16, 2022, meeting of the Garnett Planning Commission was called to order at 6:06 PM by Chair Mersman. Other Commissioners present were Frye, Landis, Norman, Scott, and Thomas. Also present was Zoning Administrator Mills. Absent was Vice-Chair Peterson.

Chair Mersman called for approval of the minutes of the May 16, 2022, meeting. Commr. Norman moved to approve, and Commr. Landis moved to second. Motion carried 6-0.

The Chair then called for Citizens to be heard. There were none.

The Chair asked for presentation of requests or petitions. There were none.

The Chair then called for the old business, discussion of short-term rental regulation. Commr Landis explained that the business was first raised by Peterson. Mills stated he believed that he had previously sent out the rental regulations from the City of Lawrence to which Landis stated they were sent to him, but he didn't believe they were sent to everyone. Mills also stated that tabling the discussion was an option. Commr. Thomas moved to table the discussion until the full Commission could be present. Landis seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

The Chair then opened the floor for the new business, consideration of PC Resolution 2022-0816. Mills explained that the governing body passed Ordinance no. 4238, establishing an Improvement District for 506 N Maple the site of the Future Dollar Tree/Family Dollar. He continued to explain that the adoption of the ordinance required the adoption of a resolution by the Planning Commission confirming that the development plan conformed to the City's Comprehensive Plan. The Commission was provided a copy of the ordinance, and the association development plan, which was attached to the ordinance as Exhibit C. After some discussion and clarification, Landis moved to adopt the resolution. Commr Scott seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

The Chair introduced the second new business item, review of the Comprehensive Plan. Mills explained that statue requires an annual review of the Comprehensive Plan. The members explained that prior to Mills' appointment, they had reviewed the Plan, and those changes had not been presented to the Governing Body. Their review stalled at Article 6, citing lack of access to maps to continue. Mills stated he would provide those maps to the members in order to continue. There was some further discussion regarding the Appendix, and the absence of some boards or committees listed therein. Mills and the Commission agreed that the Comprehensive Plan used by the City was a template used by the firm who drafted the Plan, and that none of the members could ever remember hearing of those committees.

There was some further discussion about Appendix A of the Zoning Regulations, and how to better organize or classify different categories of use. A copy of the proposed reorganization was distributed to the members for review. Mills stated again that he would provide access to the City's GIS software to the members, as well as a copy of the City gas map. Some general discussion continued.

Norman moved to adjourn the meeting. Landis seconded. With no other business before this Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 PM, with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held September 20, 2022.