MINUTES
BREVARD PLANNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 27, 2024
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Brevard Planning Board met for a regular meeting, Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 5:30 PM, in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Members Present:
Greg Hunter, Chair
Reid Wood, Vice Chair
Peter Chaveas
John Schommer
Molly Jenkins
Alan Mercaldo
James Carli

Staff Present:
Paul Ray, Planning Director
Aaron Bland, Assistant Planning Director
Emily Brewer, Senior Planner
Janice H. Pinson, Board Clerk

I. Welcome

At 5:30 PM, Greg Hunter, Chair called the meeting to order.

II. Introduction of Planning Board Members

The Board introduced themselves.

III. Certification of Quorum

G. Hunter, Chair confirmed with the Board Clerk that a quorum of the Board was present.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda A. Mercaldo, second P. Chaveas, unanimously carried.

V. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the January 23, 2024, minutes by M. Jenkins, second by J. Schommer, unanimously carried.

VI. Public Comment – None.

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VII. Unfinished Business

a. Group Development – Continuation

Emily Brewer, Senior Planner, presented her staff report on group development standards. After discussion and questions, she informed the board that her next step would be to bring them the whole document of proposed changes to the development section of the UDO for their review and recommendations.

VIII. New Business

a. Planning Board By-Laws Amendments

Emily Brewer presented her staff report on recommended by-law amendments, the Board requested that she check Section 4, "Adoption by Majority Vote" for clarity.

M. Jenkins made a motion to table the matter, second by P. Chaveas, unanimously carried.

b. TXT-24-001 Consideration of Text Amendment UDO Chapter 15 Boards and Commissions

Aaron Bland, Assistant Planning Director, presented his staff report explaining that the changes to Chapter 15.1 are being revised to conform with NCGS 160D. after a careful review of the authorities and responsibilities of the boards.

After review and comments, M. Jenkins moved to adopt with reference to the Consistency Statement, attached and labeled, Exhibit "A", second by J. Schommer, unanimously carried.

c. Resilience Action Plan- Board Presentation

Bill Marshall presented a Climate Resilience Plan Presentation stating that the purpose is to establish a resolution to take steps to make measurable changes, apply for available IRA grant funds while they are available to City and Counties who have an established plan in place.

The Planning Board requested that the link to the presentation be provided to them as follows**:**

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1GFxO7qzwuF1l3s_-jQFn8oNysChq2M65/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=116164683125097291638&rtpof=true&sd=true

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After discussion it was determined that a letter from the Board to City Council would be prepared by member James Carli so that the board could vote with more precision on the matter.

IX. Remarks-

Alan Mercaldo asked for an explanation of the flyer on the Work Session that was included in their agenda packet.

Emily explained that Plusurbia the consultant hired by the City to work on Architectural Standards would be providing 3 different work sessions, explained them in detail, and invited the board to attend when they could and stated how excited the Planning Department is to go through this process and that additional information would be forthcoming in the future.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business, M. Jenkins made a motion to adjourn seconded by R. Wood, the motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned 6:59 PM.

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Greg Hunter, Chair

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Janice H. Pinson, Board Clerk

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