PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES MAY 8, 2025

Chairman Forneris calls the meeting to order with the following members present and answering roll call: Bechtle, Illies, Jackstadt, Popov, Schaus, Siekmann, Tolliver, Forneris.

Also present: Community Development Director Taylor, Senior Planner Rice, and Recording Secretary Robinson.

SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the April 3, 2025, Planning Commission meeting minutes with the highlighted corrections made by Siekmann, seconded by Illies. Vote: All Ayes (8-0). Motion Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

SPACK 25-04 – Swing City Music, 1811 Vandalia (Sign Package)

Senior Planner Rice presents a request of sign package approval in order to permit one mural on the building façade (1811 Vandalia). Rice speaks about the existing signage and proposed mural, zoning district and graphic area allowance. She advised Staff is recommending Approval.

Siekmann asks about future interest in mural requests, determinations by Staff and future maintenance of the proposed mural. Staff explains the maintenance will fall under the property maintenance requirements.

Jackstadt inquires if neighbors will receive notifications of murals. Taylor advises they do not. He further states that if murals are signage for businesses, it will come before the planning commission. If it is not, it will be considered art and will not become before the commission.

Tolliver states he believes with the portions on the mural promoting lessons, band rentals and repairs make this a large advertisement. The commission and Staff discuss. Popov asks that Staff look at surrounding communities' regulations for murals.

Motion to Approve the sign package made by Bechtle, seconded by Jackstadt. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes (8-0). Motion Approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

STAFF REPORT:

Community Development Director Taylor speaks about the funding for the item presented tonight and other items by the Northeast Business District. He then gives updates on projects around the city, possible future items and comprehensive plan updates.

He then advises the Zoning Practice Report for the month of May is regarding Harvesting Benefits from Incentive Zoning.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS:

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

Senior planner Rice advises that items for the next agenda include: Sign Regulations Text Amendment; Fairmont Park, 9301 Collinsville Road, Sign Package; Haven Hills, Ramada & Reese Rezoning, Site Plan and Preliminary Plat.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Popov, seconded by Siekmann. Vote: All Ayes (8-0). Motion Approved.

Adjournment at 7:13 p.m.