

Economic Development Commission Zoning Regulation Review Subcommittee October 7, 2019, 5:30 P.M.

Council Chamber | Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building 4 So. Eagleville Road, Mansfield, CT

MINUTES

Members Present: S. Ferrigno, A. McPherson, L. Watson

Staff Present: L. Painter

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

S. Ferrigno called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment received.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2020 Workplan

Painter reviewed the subcommittee task description from the EDC's 2020 workplan. Members discussed the following priorities for the remainder of 2019 and 2020:

- Review draft regulations produced by the PZC's Regulatory Review Committee (RRC)and provide feedback with regard to potential barriers to business growth and economic development
- Request an informal meeting with the RRC to begin the process of building a relationship and mutual understanding of the roles and perspectives of each group

Update on PZC Regulatory Review Committee Work

Painter noted that the RRC is planning to propose changes to commercial/non-residential zoning districts, particularly with regard to district names, boundaries and permitted uses in the coming months.

Non-Residential and Mixed Use Districts: Permitted Uses and Development Review Process

Painter updated members on the status of previous reviews, noting that the packet included markups of an earlier draft of the permitted use chapter from the subcommittee as well as from former member Wiles. No formal comments were ever submitted from the EDC to the RRC with regard to the draft permitted use chapter. Members concurred that the next step would be to review the draft chapter and comments to formalize feedback to the RRC with the goal of influencing the draft changes that RRC will be submitting to the PZC for a public hearing.

Zoning Map Revisions: Non-residential and Mixed Use Districts

As part of the review of permitted uses, members will also be reviewing district boundaries as they are updated by the RRC.

COMMUNICATIONS

No communications were received.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Members concurred that evening meetings were preferable. Staff will poll members on specific dates to establish a 2020 meeting calendar. The meeting calendar will be presented for adoption either at the next EDC meeting or at a special meeting prior to the end of the year. Given the reactive nature of the committee's work, it is likely that there will be many special meetings scheduled. Ferrigno suggested that meetings immediately before or after the regular EDC meeting may work.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted:

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Director of Planning and Development