

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, AUGUST 9, 2021 JOINT MEETING

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TOWNSHIP BOARD JOINT MEETING **-APPROVED-**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Township Hall Room
MONDAY, August 9, 2021 **6:00 pm.**

PRESENT: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer,
Wisinski, Jackson, Sundland, Opsommer (arrived 6:20 pm)

ABSENT:

STAFF: Township Manager Walsh, Deputy Township Manager Perry, Community Planning
& Development Director Schmitt, Information Technology Director Gebes, Economic
Development Director Clark

PLANNING COMMISSION

PRESENT: Chairperson Scott Hendrickson, Vice-Chair Peter Trezise, Secretary Gerald Richards,
Commissioners Mark Blumer, David Premoe, Alisande Shrewsbury, Bill McConnell,

ABSENT: Secretary Holly Cordill, Commissioner Christina Snyder

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Styka called the meeting to order at 6:09 pm.

Chairperson Hendrickson Called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor Styka led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Clerk Guthrie called the roll of the Township Board and the Planning Commission.

4. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Supervisor Styka opened public remarks at 6:10 pm.

NONE

Supervisor Styka closed public remarks at 6:11 pm.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Clerk Guthrie moved to approve the Agenda. Seconded by Supervisor Styka.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried: 7 - 0

6. JOINT MEETING WITH TOWNSHIP BOARD & PLANNING COMMISSION

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A. MUPUD Ordinance Updates Proposed by Planning Commission

Director Schmitt and Chairperson Hendrickson outlined the MUPUD Ordinance Updates proposed by Planning Commission.

The Township Board and the Planning Commission discussed the MUPUD Ordinance Updates.

The Township Board and Planning Commission discussed the amenities program and amenity prioritization.

Clerk Guthrie Asked if the MUPUD amenity requirements would be overwhelming to new developers in the area. Director Schmitt replied that there isn't a straight answer to the question.

Trustee Jackson asked about height restrictions as related to Carriage Hills. Director Schmitt discussed this issue with Township Board members.

Manager Walsh reported he would bring affordable housing info to the board soon. Also the 5 year master plan will be coming up in 2022.

B. Sign Ordinance Update

Director Schmitt outlined the Sign Ordinance Update.

The Township Board and the Planning Commission discussed the sign Ordinance update.

Director Schmitt stated that a public hearing on the Sign Ordinance Update should take place before the end of 2021.

C. Potential Form Based Code Ordinance

Director Schmitt and Chairperson Hendrickson outlined the Potential Form Based Code Ordinance.

Members of the Township Board and members of the Planning Commission discussed the potential Form Based Code Ordinance.

Clerk Guthrie, Trustee Opsommer and Trustee Jackson spoke in support of Form Based Code.

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Styka Opened Public Remarks at 8:15 pm.

NONE

Supervisor Styka Closed Public Remarks at 8:15 pm.

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8. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Richards moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried: 7 - 0

Supervisor Styka adjourned the meeting at 8:16 pm.



RONALD J. STYKA,
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR



DEBORAH GUTHRIE,
TOWNSHIP CLERK