

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
REGULAR MEETING PLANNING COMMISSION 2023
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
517.853.4000, Township Hall Room
MONDAY, September 11th, 2023, 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Vice-Chair Trezise, Commissioners McConnell, McCurtis, Richards, Scales, Brooks
Shrewsbury

ABSENT: Chair Blumer, Commissioner Snyder

STAFF: Senior Planner Brian Shorkey

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
Vice-Chair Trezise called the September 11th, 2023 regular meeting for the Meridian Township
Planning Commission to order at 6:30pm.

2. ROLL CALL
Vice-Chair Trezise called the roll of the Board. All board members present except for Chair
Blumer and Commissioner Snyder.

3. PUBLIC REMARKS
NONE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
**Commissioner McConnell moved to approve the September 11th, 2023 regular Planning
Commission meeting agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Scales.**

**VOICE VOTE YEAS: Vice-Chair Trezise, Commissioners McConnell, McCurtis,
Richards, Scales, Brooks Shrewsbury**

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
**Commissioner McConnell moved to approve the minutes of the August 28th, 2023
regular Planning Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Scales.**

**VOICE VOTE YEAS: Vice-Chair Trezise, Commissioners McConnell, McCurtis,
Richards, Scales, Snyder, Brooks**

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

6. COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Ordinance #2023-05 – RRC Housing Amendments

Commissioner Shrewsbury pointed out a typo in Section 2 of the draft ordinance.

Vice-Chair Trezise asked Senior Planner Shorkey to discuss the deletion of the site plan public hearing. Senior Planner Shorkey explained that the site plan hearing was unnecessary since Michigan planning law says that site plans shall be approved if they meet all requirements and the hearing serves no useful purpose and gives people a false sense of input.

Commissioner Richards suggested adding language that confirms that only one rental license would be allowed per parcel. Commissioner Richards suggested that the Township Attorney review the ADU ordinance.

Commissioner Scales asked for a reference to the Manufactured Housing definition in the proposed ADU definition.

The Planning Commission discussed the ordinances generally and unanimously indicated approval. Senior Planner Shorkey confirmed that the next packet would include a resolution to recommend approval to the Township Board.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

9. OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

10. MASTER PLAN UPDATE

NONE

11. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Township Board Update

NONE

B. Liaison Reports

None.

12. PROJECT UPDATES

A. Project Report

Senior Planner Shorkey presented the current project reports.

Commissioner Scales asked Senior Planner Shorkey to explain the current status of the specialty grocer location, to which Senior Planner Shorkey gave an update.

13. PUBLIC REMARKS

A. NONE

14. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Senior Planner Shorkey informed the Planning Commission that Staff would be bringing a draft text amendment of the CV – Conservancy District at a future meeting for discussion.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner McConnell moved to adjourn the September 11th, 2023 regular Planning Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Scales.

VOICE VOTE YEAS: Vice-Chair Trezise, Commissioners McConnell, McCurtis, Richards, Scales, Brooks Shrewsbury

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.