

Auburn Planning Board Meeting Minutes May 8, 2018

ROLL CALL:

Regular Members present: Mia Poliquin Pross, Robert Bowyer, Samuel Scogin – Presiding, Dustin Boutin and Nathan Hamlyn

Regular Members absent: Evan Cyr and Marc Tardif

Associate and other Members present: Stephen Martelli

Associate and other Members absent: Vacant position

Also present representing City staff: Zach Mosher, Auburn City Planner

Vice Chairperson Scogin called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. He explained the process of the Planning Board meeting and asked for a roll call from the members.

MINUTES:

Deferred to the end of the meeting

PUBLIC HEARINGS & NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Gotto, of Stoneybrook Consultants, Inc., an agent for Evergreen Subaru has submitted a rezoning petition from Suburban Residential to General Business for properties located at 20 Niskayuna Street (PID: 300-014) and 1079 Turner Street (PID: 300-013), pursuant to Chapter 60 Article XVII- Amendments, Division 2- Amendment to the Zoning Map of the Auburn Code of Ordinances.

Zach went over the staff report and presented slides via PowerPoint.

Mike Gotto, of Stoneybrook Consultants, Inc., an agent for Evergreen Subaru did not have anything to add to the presentation.

(09:00 on Recording)

Robert Bowyer asked if any buildings were proposed in the long term or will it just be used as parking? Mr. Gotto replied that they did not have any specific plans at this time

Vice Chairperson Scogin asked if they would close Niskayuna Street and Mr. Gotto replied yes.

Dustin Boutin questioned the road closing and Mr. Gotto explained.

Stephen Martelli asked if this property would be used for the storage of vehicles and Mr. Gotto replied yes.

Open Public Input

A motion was made by Mia Poliquin Pross and seconded by Dustin Boutin to open the public input part of the hearing. After a vote of 5-0-0, the motion carried.

No comments from the public.

A motion was made by Mia Poliquin Pross and seconded by Nathan Hamlyn to close the Public Input part of the hearing. After a vote of 5-0-0, the motion carried.

Robert Bowyer said he was in favor of the zone change but said he had one issue with the development of the expanded property which is attention to the transition from residential zone on the other side of Turner Street. He commented that the applicant had done some good things with screening in the past and would hope that before this comes back before the Board for a Special Exception Hearing that they will have some specifics about how the transition screening requirement between residential property and commercial will be addressed.

(20:30 on Recording)

A motion was made by Robert Bowyer and seconded by Dustin Boutin to forward a positive recommendation to the City Council the rezoning request from Suburban Residential to General Business for properties located at 20 Niskayuna Street (PID: 300-014) and 1079 Turner Street (PID: 300-013), pursuant to Chapter 60 Article XVII- Amendments, Division 2- Amendment to the Zoning Map of the Auburn Code of Ordinances with the following findings:

- 1) The properties proposed for rezoning meet the definition of Business Expansion Transition District.
- 2) The properties proposed for rezoning are in agreement with the 2010 Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Plan.

After a vote of 5-0-0, the motion carried.

MINUTES:

March 27, 2018 and April 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes Approval Request

A motion was made by Mia Poliquin Pross and seconded by Dustin Boutin to approve the March 27, 2018 and April 10, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. After a vote of 5-0-0, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

MISCELLANEOUS:

Zach briefed Board Members about the new development in front of Hobby Lobby and gave a brief update on the New Auburn revitalization.

Vice Chairperson Scogin asked for updates from Board members that are on committees. Mia Poliquin Pross spoke about the Ag Study. Dustin asked Zach to inform the Board members of any committees requesting additional members and Zach said he would do so.

The remainder of the meeting was spent going over their list of procedural changes and projects for the Planning Board.

(72:35 on Recording)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mia Poliquin Pross and seconded by Dustin Boutin to adjourn. After a vote of 5-0-0, the motion carried.