



City of Garden Ridge

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MINUTES
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

Chair Dr. Jim Miller
Vice-Chair Karen Diaz
Commissioner Kitty Owen
Commissioner David Heier
Commissioner David Dauer

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Jesse Valdez (Voluntary Announced Absence)
Vacant Position

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary

Other City Councilmembers or Commissioners Present:

Councilmember Kay Bower

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the Planning and Zoning Commission Members present, Chair Dr. Miller, called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Planning and Zoning Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 20, 2019, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Dr. Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 30 minutes total

No one signed up to speak.

5. Business Items

The Commission may discuss, consider, and/or take action on the following items:

a) Discussions/Reports/Updates.

Chair Dr. Miller stated he would like to reorder the agenda items as follows.

- iii. Ordinance No. 210-022018 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge adopting board and commission policy and procedures; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.**

- 1. Discuss and make recommendations related to application of ordinance provisions to commission members, if needed.**

Chair Dr. Miller spoke regarding Commissioner's terms and stated there are 4 Commissioners with terms ending on September 30, 2019. The Commission discussed recommending the reappointment of the 4 Commissioners to City Council as one recommendation.

- ii. **Ordinance No. 55-122017 An Ordinance amending the City of Garden Ridge Sign Ordinance No. 062017; providing for the regulation, installation, and maintenance of signs within the City limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction ("ETJ") of the City of Garden Ridge; providing for definitions, exemptions, locations, and size and height restrictions; requiring permits; prohibiting certain types of signs; providing a means for variances thereto; providing a repealing section; providing for enforcement and penalties; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.**

- 1. **Discuss time restriction for temporary signs.**

Chair Dr. Miller stated this was brought up by a citizen during the Commission's previous meeting. Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney, reviewed the attached presentation and answered questions from Commissioners. She stated Ordinance No. 55 complies with all current laws.

The Commission discussed continuing to review the Draft Zoning Ordinance since they will come across information regarding signs that could lead to further discussions about sign regulations. The Commission agreed by consensus to have Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney, provide a brief overview of any new case law that may pertain to Ordinance No. 55 at a future Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, particularly regarding adding clarity and details for enforcement and tracking of 30-day limits for temporary signs.

- i. **Freese and Nichols, Inc. Draft Zoning Ordinance.**

The Commission reviewed and discussed pages 33-45 of the Draft Zoning Ordinance.

- b) **Future Agenda Items.**

- i. **Commissioners input on agenda items.**

None at this time.

- ii. **Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting (July 9, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall).**

Chair Dr. Miller announced the next Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting will be on Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

6. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 20 minutes total

Rafeal Marfil, 19693 Bat Cave Road, spoke regarding his experiences with short-term rentals.

Kay Bower, 8947 Garden Ridge Drive, spoke regarding signs and structures in the City of Garden Ridge.

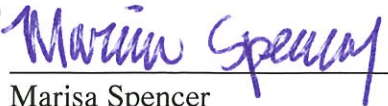
7. Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Owen, seconded by Commissioner Diaz, to adjourn. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Thursday, June 20, 2019, Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m. by Chair Dr. Miller.



Dr. Jim Miller, Chair

ATTEST:



Marisa Spencer
City Secretary