

1. Call to Order. Chairperson Kelly Stravens called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Other commission members present were Bobbie Beese and Andy Van Hees. Dan Hansen was excused. Staff present: Tom Richardson, City Planner.
2. Approval of Minutes. Mr. Stravens moved to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2014 meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Ms. Beese. Motion carried.
3. Public Hearing: CPA 2014-02 Businesses Serving Alcohol in C-1 Zone. Mr. Stravens opened the hearing, and asked commissioners for any conflicts of interest, or if anyone in the audience objected to any commissioner participating in the hearing. There were none.

Mr. Richardson said the hearing was for the purpose of reviewing a revision suggested following the council's decision to send the matter back to the planning commission in order to consider comments by the school district. He said a provision has been added which requires a 14-day period before approval of permits for businesses serving alcohol to allow comments by the school district, church, etc.

Mr. Stravens asked for public comments. Dr. Gene Sementi, West Valley School District Superintendent, said he appreciates the notice period that was added to the draft ordinance, and said the school district does not have any problems with the ordinance as revised. There being no further public comment, the chairperson closed the hearing.

Ms. Beese suggested changing "shall" to "may" in the second sentence of #8(a)(ii). She also noted an inconsistency in the SEPA checklist, and the word "alcohol" needs to be inserted after "serve" in #11.

Mr. Stravens moved to approve the proposed ordinance with the suggested revision of "shall" to "may." Motion seconded by Ms. Beese. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Commercial Parking on Euclid Avenue. Mr. Richardson said Union Pacific Railroad has posted no-parking signs on its right of way along Euclid Ave., due to safety concerns of vehicles being parked too close to the track particularly near Felts Field. He explained some options that the city is actively pursuing, including applying for a lease from the railroad. Shirene Young, 8903 E. Liberty Ave., said the business community is very concerned and at least one business has already decided to leave. Pastor Craig Goodwin from Millwood Presbyterian suggested closing Marguerite Rd. during the farmers market and moving the vendors to the street which would free up parking in the church's lot. It was also suggested to contact Spokane County to get permission to park temporarily on their right of way south of the UP track.

5. Regular Meeting Time and Day for Planning Commission -- Discussion. Mr. Stravens asked to defer this item to the next meeting.

7. Staff Report. Mr. Richardson said the City Council asked him and the city attorney to work up a draft ordinance for the historic preservation commission. He said Ray Oligher had written a draft of the ordinance when he was the planning intern. Mr. Richardson also reported that the city has received a marijuana license application for a marijuana retail store at the corner of Trent and Butler. He said there is a second store that is on the Liquor Control Board lottery list. He also reported on the Fire District's table-top exercise on a train derailment in Millwood.

8. Public Comments. Pastor Goodwin said the church had some terrible graffiti over the weekend and asked if the city is working on this. Mr. Richardson said the mayor has talked to the sheriff on this; the city has also experienced damage.

9. Adjournment. Ms. Beese moved for adjournment. Motion seconded by Mr. Stravens. Motion carried. Mr. Stravens adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.


Chairperson


Secretary