

## **APPROVED**

### **MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF JULY 19, 2012 THE CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Starkville, Mississippi held a special call meeting in the City Hall Courtroom at 101 E. Lampkin Street, Starkville, Mississippi, commencing at 5:30 PM. Present were Commissioners Dora Herring, James Hicks, Jerry Emison, Jason Walker, Jeremy Murdock, Ira Loveless and John Moore. The meeting was called to order by Commission Chairman Jerry Emison. Attending the Commissioners were City Attorney Chris Latimer, City Planner Ben Griffith and Assistant City Planner Pamela F. R. Daniel.

### **AN ORDER APPROVING THE WRITTEN AGENDA**

The Commission considered the matter of approval of the written agenda dated July 19, 2012. After a brief discussion, and upon the motion of Commissioner Murdock, which was seconded by Commissioner Hicks, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the written agenda as presented.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Chairman Emison asked if any member of the public cared to address the Commission, reminding them that there was a public hearing on the agenda and comments regarding that item would be called for at the appropriate time. No comments were received.

### **A PUBLIC HEARING REQUESTED BY MS. SHENESTIA THOMPSON, FOR APPROVAL OF A ZONING CHANGE FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY) TO R-M (MOBILE HOME/MHP/MHS) LOCATED AT 1646 ROCKHILL ROAD IN WARD 6**

Next there came before the Commission item #RZ 12-01: a public hearing requested by Ms. Shenestia Thompson for approval of a zoning change from R-1 (Single Family) to R-M (Mobile Home/MHP/MHS) located at 1646 Rockhill Road in Ward 6. The Assistant City Planner then read a brief introduction of the request and asked if any of the Commissioners been contacted by anyone regarding the request—none had.

The applicant, Ms. Shenestia Thompson, addressed the Commissioners, stating that she had sold her old home because it had become difficult to maintain and it had been moved from the property. She went on to say that she wanted to provide for her family, had purchased the new home in November and was very anxious to move in.

Chairman Emison asked if there were any other questions or comments from the public and seeing none, closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Loveless asked if the R-M zoning limited the number of structures which could be placed on a parcel and how many could be placed on the site. Ms. Daniel responded that the R-M zoning required a minimum lot area of 10,000 square feet and that the site was approximately 5 acres in size. Commissioner Herring added that the R-M minimum lot size was the same as the R-1 zoning.

Commissioner Herring asked why the staff report included the “MHP/MHS” since these were not allowed in R-M as they were in R-6, and suggested that it be stricken. Ms. Daniel answered that it appeared in the legend of the Official Zoning Map, but that it did not appear in the zoning ordinance.

Chairman Emison concluded that it could be described as a scriveners’ error and asked if Commissioner Herring wanted to make a motion.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Herring made a motion to revise the staff report by striking all references to “MHP/MHS” in R-M zoning. Commissioner Murdock seconded the motion and the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Commissioner Herring then made a motion to recommend revising the Official Zoning Map by striking the “MHP/MHS” from the R-M zoning classification in the map legend. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion and the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Hearing no further discussion amongst the Commissioners, Chairman Emison asked for a motion regarding the rezoning request.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Walker made a motion to recommend approval of the request to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, based on the finding of fact of the staff report and an error in the zoning map. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion and the Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the rezoning request.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Murdock made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Moore, to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 5:30 PM in the City Hall Courtroom.

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Jerry Emison, Chairman

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Ben Griffith, AICP, City Planner