

February 24, 2011

**Planning Commission**

- Work Session: Rezoning request for the Oakwood Country Club Property
- Parking

Chairman Arthur Goddard called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Members present: Andre Reynolds, Ron Sabransky, Jennifer West and Tracie Zamiska. Also present: Paul Kowalczyk, Building Commissioner, Andy Blackley, City Engineer, Ed Gallagher, Economic Development Director, Kevin Nietert, Police Chief, Bob Abele, Traffic Commissioner, John Cieszkowski of McKenna & Associates, City Planner and Mike Love, Economic Development Assistant

Rezoning request for the Oakwood Country Club Property – Chairman Goddard asked Chief Nietert to address the issues of concern regarding the proposed park. Chief Nietert stated that a dawn to dusk park would not require much lighting because it would be closed at dusk. There was a discussion regarding the access points the police would have to the park and their ability to be able to see and patrol the entire park. There also was a concern about safety of the people using the park and if the number of proposed parking spaces would be adequate. The plan is to keep the park natural with a walking and biking path

Mitchell Schneider, President and Chris Goodrich Vice-president, First Interstate Ltd, were present. Mr. Schneider explained the wetland areas in the proposed rezoned parcel and how he plans to create a backflow wetland area that flows north. Mr. Goodrich stated that native plantings and grasses would enhance the area also. Mr. Blackley stated that the sewer capacity is adequate and a water main runs across the front of the site. The legal crossing with a traffic signal would be at the Stonehaven Road intersection. After the discussion among the city leaders and the commissioners, Chairman Goddard set the public hearing for March 10, 2011 at 7:00 P.M.

Parking – The commissioners, Mr. Kowalczyk and Mr. Blackley discussed the draft of “Parking” and made more revisions. Mr. Blackley identified the ITE (Institution of Transportation Engineers) Manual as a good source of information that would be helpful to the commissioners with their task.

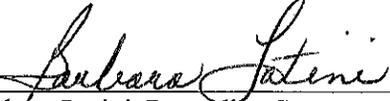
Chairman Goddard made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Ms. Zamiska. All ayes. Minutes approved. (5-0-0)

Chairman Goddard made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Ms. West. All ayes. Minutes approved. (5-0-0)

Chairman Goddard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Reynolds. All ayes. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

  
Arthur Goddard, Chairman

3/10/2011  
Date

  
Barbara Latini, Recording Secretary