

**City of Alma
Planning Commission Minutes
March 6, 2023**

Chairperson Heather Therrien called a regular meeting of the Alma Planning Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Planning Commission was present.

Present: Justin Fonley, Sonia Gibson, Jessica Gilkins, Bill Gorton, David Justin, Greg Mapes, Michelle Pitts, Ellen Richter, and Heather Therrien.

Absent: none.

Chairperson Therrien led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Pitts, seconded by Mapes, to approve minutes of February 6, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.

Yes: Fonley, Gibson, Gilkins, Gorton, Justin, Mapes, Pitts, Richter, and Therrien.

No: none.

Proposal for 401 E Warwick Drive

City Manager Aeric Ripley noted the property owner wasn't able to attend the meeting and asked to add the item to the agenda for the April regular meeting. He explained the owners had requested general rezoning as they didn't have a specific plan or project and aren't eligible for conditional rezoning, but the parcel of land in question is not adjacent to an area already zoned B2. Discussion followed about the property.

Request a Special Meeting

Ripley asked the Commission to consider setting a special meeting for review of recreational marijuana special use permit requests.

Motion by Pitts, seconded by Fonley, to set a special meeting for March 20, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. for review of special use permit requests for recreational marijuana. Motion carried.

Yes: Fonley, Gibson, Gilkins, Gorton, Justin, Mapes, Pitts, Richter, and Therrien.

No: none.

Other Business

Ripley spoke briefly about the Alma Aspires Reboot scheduled for May 1, 2023, and master planning with Greater Gratiot Development.

Invitation to Public

No comments were offered.

Adjourn

Motion by Pitts, seconded by Richter, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Motion carried.

Yes: Fonley, Gibson, Gilkins, Gorton, Mapes, Pitts, Richter, and Therrien.

No: Justin.

Sara Anderson, Alma City Clerk

Date of Approval