



City of Hamtramck Meeting
Department of Community and Economic Development
Regular Plan Commission Meeting
March 2, 2022
6:30 P.M.
City Hall – Council Chambers 2nd Floor
313.800.5233 ext. 332

Minutes

1. Call to Order:

Alana Paluszek sits in as chair for Scott Collins; Plan Commission Meeting called to order at 6:37pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Mayor Amer Ghalib (Present), Mohamed Alsomiri (Present), Alana Paluszek (Present), Farhana Islam (Present), Nasr Hussain (Present), Abu Musa (Present)

Absent: Scott Collins (Absent), Tom Habitz (Absent-excused)

4. Approval of Minutes: January 5, 2022

Motion by Alsomiri to approve minutes; Abu Musa seconds

5. Public Comment (3 Minutes per Person)

6. Public Hearings

7. Old Business

8. New Business

A. Review Goals and Future Recommendations in 2021 Plan Commission Annual Report (5 minutes)

- i. Staff recommends that the commission looks over the annual report, and briefly went over recommendations.
 1. Brought up the need to address zoning issues.
 2. Informed the commission that the commission can make recommendations for stormwater infrastructure.
 3. Informed commission on design guidelines.
- ii. Paluszek asks are areas in the master plan still high priority for flooding?
- iii. Islam recommends the commission to review sections of the master plan every month in order to prepare ahead for the master plan update in 2025.
- iv. Priorities for presentations: urban design guidelines, flooding, clarifying the fence ordinance (could be easiest).

- v. Hussain recommends Elimination of parking requirements and height requirements in the city.
- B. Discuss Need for Bylaws (Michigan Planning Enabling Act; Act 33 of 2008; Reference MSU Extension Article, "Planning commission and zoning board of appeals are required to have governing bylaws")
- i. Staff brought up the issue of having attendance requirements.
 - ii. Islam recommends using the ZBA's bylaws to potentially adopt.
- C. Discuss Stormwater Management updates to the zoning ordinance (Hamtramck Master Plan, pages 48-50, 2.1.3); Discuss option of creating a subcommittee on code audit for stormwater management with a focus on parking surfaces, industrial zones and other locations suggested by the Master Plan and Best Practice Resources.
- i. Staff discusses expanding stormwater management capacity.
 - ii. Highlights zoning and landscape requirements.
 - iii. Paluszek brings up the idea of informing the public on the benefits of Green Stormwater Infrastructure.
 - iv. Islam recommends teaming up with a nonprofit to inform the public on some Green Stormwater Infrastructure.
 - v. Alana recommends enforcing stormwater infrastructure plans for industrial zoned development.
 - vi. Staff brings up the possibility to create a subcommittee to deal with stormwater issues or a consultant to address key issues.
 - vii. Islam asks about historical maps that show where previous streams used to be.
 - viii. Commission discusses option of creating a subcommittee for stormwater management.

10. Commission Announcements

11. Staff Announcements

12. Adjournment: 7:48 pm

Paluszek motions to adjourn at 7:48pm; seconded by Abu Musa.

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