

**GRAND JUNCTION PLANNING COMMISSION
JUNE 11, 2013 MINUTES
6:00 p.m. to 6:07 p.m.**

The regularly scheduled Planning Commission hearing was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Reece. The public hearing was held in the City Hall Auditorium.

In attendance, representing the City Planning Commission, were Christian Reece (Chairman), Ebe Eslami (Vice-Chairman), Reginald Wall, Loren Couch, William Wade and Steve Tolle. Commissioner Jon Buschhorn was absent.

In attendance, representing the City's Public Works and Planning Department – Planning Division, were Lisa Cox (Planning Manager), Scott Peterson (Senior Planner) and Senta Costello (Senior Planner).

Also present was Jamie Beard (Assistant City Attorney).

Lynn Singer was present to record the minutes.

There were 4 interested citizens present during the course of the hearing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND/OR VISITORS

Lisa Cox, Planning Manager, advised that a letter of resignation from Commissioner Keith Leonard had been received with an effective date of June 7, 2013. With Commissioner Leonard's resignation, the second alternate, Bill Wade, would move up to fill that vacancy. City Council would appoint both a first alternate and a second alternate, both of whom would also be members of the Zoning and Board of Appeals. She went on to confirm that first alternate, Steven Tolle, was filling in for Greg Williams and Bill Wade was filling in for Keith Leonard.

She also said that pursuant to correspondence from Commissioner Leonard received prior to his resignation, he noted that a statement attributed to him in the March 12, 2013 minutes, had in fact not been made by him. Ms. Cox clarified that the statement could be found on page 16 of the agenda packet and the statement was "Commissioner Leonard reiterated that he agreed with the staff aspect and the more formal process was not necessary." She stated that the reference would be deleted from the minutes. Ms. Cox stated that unless there were other changes to be made to the March 12th minutes, that the Planning Commission consider adopting the minutes with the revision noted by Commissioner Leonard.

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Approve the minutes of the March 12 and May 28, 2013 regular meetings.

2. Portion of Texas and Cannell Avenue ROW Vacation - Vacation

Forward a recommendation to City Council to vacate a portion of public right-of-way (1,048 sq. ft.) at the intersection (eastern portion) of Cannell and Texas Avenues, which is no longer needed.

FILE #: VAC-2013-114
PETITIONER: Colorado Mesa University – Kent Marsh
LOCATION: 901 Texas Avenue
STAFF: Scott Peterson

3. Library Utility Easement Vacation - Vacation

Forward a recommendation to City Council to vacate a utility easement retained as part of the east/west alley vacation approved with Ordinance 1467.

FILE #: VAC-2013-29
PETITIONER: Eve Tallman – Mesa County Public Library
LOCATION: 530 Grand Avenue
STAFF: Senta Costello

Chairman Reece briefly explained the Consent Agenda and invited the public, Planning Commissioners, and staff to speak if they wanted any item pulled for additional discussion or a full hearing. After discussion, there were no objections or revisions received from the audience or Planning Commissioners on the Consent Agenda.

MOTION: (Commissioner Wall) “I move that we approve the Consent Agenda with the changes to the March 12th minutes as stated.”

Commissioner Wade seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 6 - 0.

Public Hearing Items

None.

General Discussion/Other Business

None.

Nonscheduled Citizens and/or Visitors

None.

Adjournment

With no objection and no further business, the Planning Commission meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.