

CITY OF VERGAS

PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

Monday, June 22, 2020

6:00 pm

Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda Additions or Deletions
3. Minutes of May 18, 2020
4. Status of recommendations to City Council:
 - a. Nuisance Properties
5. Old Business:
 - a. Nuisance Properties
 - b. Scharf Ave truck Route
6. New Business
 - a. Construction Permits-361 Pelican Ave S, replace cement and doors

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The City of Vergas Planning Commission was held Monday, June 22, 2020 at 6:00 pm on Zoom with the following members present Logan Dahlgren, Van Bruhn, Robert Jacoby, Paul Pinke and Natalie Fischer. Absent: none. Also, present Clerk-Treasurer Julie Lammers, Utilities Superintendent Mike DuFrane and Barbie Porter of the Frazee-Vergas Forum.

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Logan Dahlgren at 6:03 pm.

Motion by Dahlgren, seconded by Fischer to accept the agenda as presented. Voting yes: Pinke, Bruhn, Fischer, Dahlgren and Jacoby. Voting No: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Dahlgren, seconded by Fischer to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2020. Voting yes: Pinke, Bruhn, Fischer, Dahlgren and Jacoby. Voting No: none. Motion carried.

Status of recommendations to City Council:

Council approved the nuisance properties of 160 1st Ave S and 350 S Pelican Avenue as complying.

Old Business:

Discussed other nuisance properties. Motion by Pinke, seconded by Fischer to send letters to the following properties 160 1st Ave S, 170 1st Ave S, 101 Mill St and 235 E Frazee Ave regarding unlicensed vehicles and debris in yards. Voting yes: Pinke, Bruhn, Fischer, Dahlgren and Jacoby. Voting No: none. Motion carried. Discussed 350 S Pelican Ave which has a lean against from the city to be clean up. Discussed licensing cats as we have numerous cats running around town. Tabled discussion of cats until next month as we can consider the public safety. Jacoby questioned if we wanted to continue to have division in the community with nuisance properties, with the Covid19 people are we going to continue to add more to nuisances. Tony License, property owner contacted me to have the lean against his property to be dropped so he could sell property to his cousin. His cousin would like to remove all buildings from property and build a shop house on the property. Commissioner's discussed if yard is picked up, and we have a signed order from owner from new owner that they will remove all buildings. Motion by Dahlgren, seconded by Pinke to make recommendation to Council to drop lien if property is cleaned up of trash, weeds are removed, and we know home will be replaced. Voting yes: Pinke, Bruhn, Fischer, Dahlgren and Jacoby. Voting No: none. Motion carried.

Discussed having a truck route in Vergas. Truck route will either need to be going down Main Street or Scharf Ave. Items discussed: Do we want more trucks added to Main Street? If we make truck route how do trucks turn around when they are coming in on a township road? With the cost of roads we need to have them come up Main and County 17. Motion by Dahlgren, seconded by Pinke for Council to approve a truck route down Main Street, Frazee Avenue and out Hwy 17 and Pelican Ave. Voting yes: Pinke, Bruhn, Fischer, Dahlgren and Jacoby. Voting No: none. Motion carried.

Discussed no parking from the corner of 17th for trucks turning onto Main, decided to wait until after signs go up. We can ask County Engineering if we need to remove a parking spot.

New Business:

Motion by Fischer, seconded by Pinke to approve the following construction permits: 361 Pelican Ave to shingle garage and replace door and cement by door. Voting yes: Pinke, Bruhn, Fischer, Dahlgren and Jacoby. Voting No: none. Motion carried.

Discussed construction permits as DuFrane has a difficult time knowing if permits are completed, he requested the homeowners post their permit to be seen by the street and call City office when they have finished the project. Motion by Dahlgren, seconded by Bruhn to recommend to Council to have construction permits posted where they can be seen by the street and to have homeowners call City office when complete. Voting yes: Pinke, Bruhn, Fischer, Dahlgren and Jacoby. Voting No: none. Motion carried.

Follow Up Actions:

Lammers to discuss with County Engineer Vergas Truck Route and parking on 1st Avenue.

Actions Completed and Removed from Follow up:

Council review 160 S 1st Ave property.

Lammers to get more information regarding truck routes.

Lammers to contact Peloquin regarding nuisance properties.

The next meeting will be April 13, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Secretary,

Julie Lammers, CMC

Clerk-Treasurer

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