

**SHREVEPORT METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION OF CADDO PARISH
SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
May 2, 2018**

A regularly scheduled public hearing of the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Commission of Caddo Parish was held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. at Government Plaza Chamber, 505 Travis Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA. The members met for lunch prior to the public hearing.

Members Present

Theron Jackson, Chair
Nancy Cooper, Vice Chair
Winzer Andrews, Secretary
Curtis Joseph, Jr.
Bessie Smith
Lea Desmarteau
Dale Colvin
Ronnie Remedies

Staff Present

Mark Sweeney, Executive Director
Adam Bailey, Community Planning & Design Mgr.
Alan Clarke, Zoning Administrator
Jake Palant, Planner I

Members Absent

Alan Young

Others Present

None

The hearing was opened with prayer by **MR. ANDREWS**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **MS. DESMARTEAU**.

The meeting was called to order & the procedure for hearing the applications on today's agenda was explained. Speakers should speak clearly into the microphone & give their name & mailing address for further reference. Comments on any item not on the agenda will be limited to 3 minutes at the end of the public hearing.

All decisions rendered by the Metropolitan Planning Commission are subject to appeal to the appropriate governing body, either the City Council or the Caddo Parish Commission. Appeals must be filed within 10 days from the date a decision is rendered by the Metropolitan Planning Commission.

A motion was made by MR. ANDREWS, seconded by MRS. SMITH, to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2018 public hearing as submitted.

The motion was adopted by the following 8-0 vote: Ayes: Messrs. JACKSON, ANDREWS, COLVIN, REMEDIES & JOSEPH & Meses. SMITH, DESMARTEAU & COOPER. Nays: None. Absent: YOUNG.

CONSENT AGENDA

THERE ARE NO CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

CASE NO. C-23-18: ZONING REQUEST

SUPERIOR BAR & GRILL, INC.
Superior Bar & Grill, Inc. & PBC Properties, LLC.
6123 Line Avenue (Between Drexel Drive and Montrose Drive)
R-1-7)

R-1-7 to C-UC

Parking Lot Expansion

Representative &/or support:

Tom Arceneaux, 333 Texas Street, Ste. 700, Shreveport, LA 71101
Michan Holbrook, 3925 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA 71111

Applicant is requesting approval to change the zoning of approximately 0.674 acres from Single-Family Residential (R-1-7) designation to Urban Corridor Commercial (C-UC) to allow for parking lot expansion for an existing business.

Opposition:

- Jeff Goodpaster, 737 Drexel Drive, Shreveport, LA 71106
- Mark Medvec, 736 Drexel Drive, Shreveport, LA 71106
- Lindsey Higgins, 6206 Dillingham Ave., Shreveport, LA 71106
- Richard Hansil, 6139 Dillingham Ave., Shreveport, LA 71106
- James Hosey, 6136 Dillingham Ave., Shreveport, LA 71106
- Judy Durham, corner of Tree Lane and Dillingham, Shreveport, LA 71106
- Jen Goodpaster, 737 Drexel Drive, Shreveport, LA 71106

A motion was made by MR. JOSEPH, seconded by MRS. SMITH, to recommend for approval this application as submitted. Administrative review and approval of the submitted re-plat application, verification of the required landscape buffer and screening, and provision of a lighting plan will be required prior to the issuance of any permits.

The motion was adopted by the following 8-0 vote: Ayes: Messrs. JACKSON, ANDREWS, COLVIN, REMEDIES & JOSEPH & Meses. SMITH, DESMARTEAU & COOPER. Nays: None. Absent: YOUNG.

CASE NO. P-9-18: ZONING REQUEST

MAHTOOK & LAFLEUR
John Vaught and Richard Vaught
6933 Greenwood Road (approximately 725' West of Colonial Drive)
R-A
R-A to C-4
Agricultural Equipment Retail Store

There was no representative &/or support present.

Applicant is requesting approval to change the zoning of 18.178 acres from R-A Rural-Agricultural designation to C-4 Heavy Commercial for the construction of an agricultural equipment retail store.

Opposition:

Tim White, 6911 Greenwood Road, Shreveport, LA 71119

A motion was made by MR. COLVIN, seconded by MR. REMEDIES, to recommend for approval this application as submitted with the stipulation that site plan review and approval will be required prior to the issuance of any permits.

The motion was adopted by the following 8-0 vote: Ayes: Messrs. JACKSON, ANDREWS, COLVIN, REMEDIES & JOSEPH & Meses. SMITH, DESMARTEAU & COOPER. Nays: None. Absent: YOUNG.

END OF PUBLIC HEARING

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Bailey, Community Planning & Design Manager, informed the Board that the City of Shreveport small wireless ordinance became effective May 2, 2018 that allows for small wireless facilities in the City public rights of way. Applications will be submitted to the MPC, then to wireless consultants who will then submit the applications to the City of Shreveport Engineering Department who has the right of final approval of the application. The City of Shreveport UDC Article 22 amendment that was recommended for approval by the Board in February is currently being revised to better blend with the City ordinances with regard to telecommunications. The revised amendments will be presented to the Board at the June 6th meeting and copies of the amendments will be provided as soon as available.

Mr. Sweeney, Executive Director, informed the Board that the Town Hall meeting of April 11th at LSUS-University Theater went well with the development and design community with approximately 103 in attendance. Theron Jackson, Chair, Nancy Cooper, Vice-Chair, and Winzer Andrews, Secretary, were in attendance and participated in the panel; Alan Young, Lea Desmarteau, Bessie Smith and Ronnie Remedies were in attendance in the audience as well which required the posting of the meeting as a quorum. Mr. Sweeney informed the Board that the MPC staff was in the process of developing a detailed

report to address all the issues that were brought forth at the April Town Hall. In addition, the second Town Hall meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 1 p.m. at the LSUS-University Theater where the report will be presented and more information provided with regard to the site plan review process and procedures.

Mr. Sweeney reminded the Board that the Tier 2.1 Financial Disclosure Statement is due May 15th to the State Board of Ethics. Copies were provided to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sweeney, Executive Director, informed the Board that the MPC Personnel Policy has been revised and a draft version has been sent to Rick John, MPC Attorney, for legal review. A draft version will then be sent to the Rules and Procedures Committee (Curtis Joseph, Chair) for comment and further revision at a scheduled meeting later in May. Once the committee is satisfied with the new policy, the full Board will be given a copy for consideration.

Mr. Sweeney informed the Board that Alan Clarke, Zoning Administrator, received the Volunteer of the Year award from the Louisiana Chapter of the American Planning Association during the recent National Planning Conference held in New Orleans April 20th through April 24th.

Mr. Sweeney also reminded the Board that Friday, May 4, 2018 at 12 noon a Master Plan Committee meeting will be held in the MPC large conference room with lunch provided by the City of Shreveport at 11:45 a.m.

OTHER MATTERS TO BE REVIEWED BY THE COMMISSION

CHAIR/BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Lea Desmarreau provided a power point presentation on the National APA Conference which she attended that highlighted the need for planning for equity, public/community engagement, and whether zoning can truly be kept simple or not. It was noted that only per diem, registration and parking fees were borne by the taxpayer for the Board members in attendance at the National APA conference.

Ronnie Remedies questioned Theron Jackson, Chair, if the personnel matter that had been brought to the Board's attention had been addressed yet. Mr. Jackson responded that as far as the Board is permitted, it is being addressed.

ADJOURN 5:07 p.m.

Theron Jackson, Chair

Winzer Andrews, Secretary