

**SHREVEPORT METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION OF CADDO PARISH
SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
June 6, 2018**

A regularly scheduled public hearing of the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Commission of Caddo Parish was held on Wednesday, June 6, 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
Winzer Andrews, Secretary
Curtis Joseph, Jr.
Alan Young.
Bessie Smith
Dale Colvin
Ronnie Remedies

Staff Present

Mark Sweeney, Executive Director
Stephen Jean, Deputy Director
Alan Clarke, Zoning Administrator
Alice Correa, Planner I

Members Absent

Nancy Cooper, Vice-Chair
Lea Desmarteau

Others Present

None

The hearing was opened with prayer by **MR. ANDREWS**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **MESSRS. JACKSON AND ANDREWS**.

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 May 2, 2018 public hearing as submitted.

The motion was adopted by the following 7-0 vote: Ayes: Messrs. JACKSON, ANDREWS, COLVIN, REMEDIES, YOUNG & JOSEPH & Mses. SMITH. Nays: None. Absent: Mses. COOPER & DESMARTEAU.

CONSENT AGENDA

THERE ARE NO CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

CASE NO. P-12-18: ZONING REQUEST

MOHR & ASSOCIATES
BMW Rentals, LLC.
Singleton Road (Edge of Singleton Rd., approximately 1,025' South of Pine Hill Rd.)
R-MHP
R-MHP to R-1-5
Single Family Residential

Representative &/or support:

Andy Craig, 1324 N. Hearne, Suite 301, Shreveport, LA 71107

Applicant is requesting approval to rezone a 0.722 tract of land located in the southernmost section of the 9.24 acre Alpine Village Mobile Home Park from Residential Manufactured Home Park (R-MHP) to Single Family Residential (R-1-5) to match zoning of lots 7 through 10 of Alpine Village Subdivision directly to its south.

There was no opposition present.

A motion was made by MR. ANDREWS, seconded by MRS. SMITH, to recommend for approval this application as submitted.

The motion was adopted by the following 7-0 vote: Ayes: Messrs. JACKSON, ANDREWS, COLVIN, REMEDIES, YOUNG & JOSEPH & Meses. SMITH. Nays: None. Absent: Meses. COOPER & DESMARTEAU.

END OF PUBLIC HEARING

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Sweeney, Executive Director, informed the Board that the May 17th Town Hall Meeting, which was a response to the April 11th Town Hall Meeting that aired concerns by certain members of the development and design community with the UDC, was very well attended. A series of proposed amendments to the UDC was presented at the May 17th Town Hall Meeting and can be viewed online at the Shreveport Caddo MPC website. The amendments will be presented to the Board in two phases: 17/18 amendments at the July 11th meeting and 17/18 amendments at the August 1st meeting. The Board will be given the proposed amendments two weeks in advance to review in order to expedite approval and to send said amendments to the City and Parish for consideration at their August/September 2018 meetings.

Mr. Sweeney, Executive Director, informed the Board that the proposed wireless telecommunication amendment to the City of Shreveport UDC was delayed at the City Attorney's request. The City is currently in discussions with telecommunication companies with regard to franchise agreements which may affect the UDC amendment's final wording. Mr. Sweeney expects the Board will receive the proposed telecommunication amendment within the next two months for their review and approval.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sweeney, Executive Director, informed the Board that there was good attendance at the June 1st Joint City/Caddo Parish Master Plan Committee Meeting. This meeting signaled the beginning of a dialogue between the two governing bodies about the MPC's future funding. Mr. Sweeney is hoping that all parties can come to an understanding before the 2019 budget submission which will be submitted to the Board August 1st for review and approval.

OTHER MATTERS TO BE REVIEWED BY THE COMMISSION

CHAIR/BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Alan Young made a formal request to discuss Mark Sweeney's employment contract. Discussion ensued as to the proper method of having items placed on the agenda per Section 10.8 of the By-Laws: Rules of Policy and Procedure (*Note: Any Member may request that an item be placed on the regular meeting's agenda (on the day of said meeting) provided such a request is unanimously approved by all present members of the Planning Commission and must be made under the consideration of new business. The Chair shall also honor any request by a Member for an item to be placed on the next regular meeting agenda for discussion provided such request is made not less than four (4) weeks prior to the next regular meeting and provided that such a request is submitted to the Chair in a written format*) adopted by the Board in December 2017.

A motion was made by MR. YOUNG, seconded by MR. COLVIN, to add Mr. Sweeney's employment contract as an Agenda topic.

The motion failed by the following 4-3 vote: Ayes: Messrs. COLVIN, REMEDIES, & YOUNG, & Meses. SMITH. Nays: Messrs. JOSEPH, ANDREWS & JACKSON. Absent: Meses. COOPER & DESMARTEAU.

Ronnie Remedies discussed his disagreement with the protocol of adding agenda items to the agenda and how the Chairman handled this request.

A motion was made by MR. REMEDIES, seconded by MR. YOUNG, for a no confidence vote in the Chair to be added to the agenda.

The motion failed by the following 3-4 vote: Ayes: Messrs. COLVIN, REMEDIES, & YOUNG. Nays: Messrs. ANDREWS, JOSEPH & JACKSON, Mses. SMITH. Absent: Mses. COOPER & DESMARTEAU.

ADJOURN 3:33 p.m.

Theron Jackson, Chair

Winzer Andrews, Secretary