

**Planning Commission Minutes
August 28, 2008**

Call to Order:

The August 28, 2008 Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chairman Herminath.

Adopt Agenda:

Motion by Henke, second by Heise to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried. 5/0

Roll Call:

Those in attendance were Henke, Renning, Heise, Gruetzmacher and Herminath. Noel and Spilman called and were excused. Gabert – absent.

Others present were Kent Hager (City Administrator), Paul Hanlon (City Inspector) Tom O'Connell (Council Member), Lori Dean (Council Member) and Lee Rousseau.

Approval of the 07-24-08 minutes:

Motion by Renning, second by Heise to approve the minutes of the 07/24/08 meeting. Motion carried. 5/0

Request for a Detached Garage exceeding 1100 Sq. Ft.

Rod Schutt, 112 E Cameron Street submitted a drawing for approval of a detached garage that exceeds the 1100 square feet as allowed by the zoning code. Motion by Heise, second by Henke to approve as presented. Motion carried. 5/0

M-R Zoning Ordinance:

Members reviewed the draft ordinance that would re-establish the M-R Zoning district for a distance of 500 feet around the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Concerns were expressed by members that this zoning restriction could severely impact the future use of the existing city garage property and the land surround the existing treatment plant. Members wanted more information on the stipulations of DNR requirements regarding this zoning. Tabled until the September meeting.

Mural for the former Curt Sommer Building:

A sketch of the third mural for the downtown was presented for approval. O'Connell suggested that lighting should may be considered for the mural. Motion by Henke, second by Heise to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Discuss / Review Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code:

At the request of Chairman Herminath, members discussed chapter 10 of the Municipal Code, which focuses on nuisance violations. The discussion stressed enforcement of the ordinance. Members expressed the need to step up the enforcement of nuisance issues and agreed that citations with significant forfeitures should be used where necessary. Hanlon was advised to issue a citation for an ongoing problem.

Other Matters:

None

Adjournment:

Motion by Heise, second by Gruetzmacher to adjourn. Motion carried 5/0
The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm by Henke.