NEWPORT CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES, DEC. 19, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ruth Sproull (RS), Chair Robert Currier (RC), Woodman Page (WP), John Monette (JM)

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

OTHERS PRESENT: Pam Ladds, Anne Page, Dan Pickering

7:09 p.m. Chair Bob Currier officially called the Planning Commission meeting to order. WP made motion to accept minutes from Oct. 29, 2019 with corrected hearing date of Dec. 10, 2019 for the public hearing. WP, RC, RS approve. JM abstain.

7:12 p.m. Pursuant to presentation of the revised city plan in the preceding public hearing, JM moved to forward revised city plan to City Council. WP seconded. Unanimous approval.

7:15 p.m. City was awarded planning grant to rewrite the City Plan so WP and RC will go to meet with City Manager to discuss steps to access, including running ads for consultant. Mayor or City Manager will have to sign for appropriation of funds. Proposal has to go out to potential consultants. They hope to meet with City Manager on Dec. 23, 2019. JM made motion RS second. Unanimous approval.

7:27 p.m. Dan Pickering has applied for the open position on the planning commission.

7:34 p.m. WP moved to go to executive session to discuss the candidate, JM seconded. Unanimous approval.

7:40 p.m.WP made motion to terminate executive session. JM seconded. Unanimous approval.

7:41 p.m. JM moved that planning commission recommend that City Council approve the appointment of Dan Pickering to the planning commission. WP seconded. Unanimous approval.

7:42 p.m. Old business: none

7:43 p.m. New business: ZA recommended that we advertise for some alternates for the commission to avoid not having a quorum during this intense planning process that's coming up. ZA will request to City Manager that it be on first City Council agenda to discuss. If approved, RC will go to the Council meeting to discuss.

Set date and agenda for next PC meeting

Jan. 7, 2020 at 7 p.m.

1. Call to order
2. Approve minutes of the Dec. 19, 2019 meeting
3. Approve minutes of public hearing of Dec. 19, 2019
4. Update of planning grant, municipal plan and next steps

5. Other business

6. Set date and agenda for next meeting

7. Adjourn

7:50 p.m. WP made motion to adjourn, RS seconded. Unanimously approved.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Ruth Sproull

Approved Robert J Currie Date 1/7/20