

Planning Commission Minutes

June 20, 2017

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Nuck called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of King to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Nuck led the Commission and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Chairperson David Nuck X Vice Chair David Mendez X

Michael Barbree X Margaret Raschella A Ralph Lee X

Commissioner Barbree made a motion to excuse Commissioner Raschella, seconded by Commissioner Mendez. Motion carried 4-0.

Staff present: Don Funk, Principal Planner; Maricruz Aguilar, Asst. Planner; Erica Sonne, Admin. Asst./Deputy City Clerk; Dixie Gould, Code Enforcement Officer

4. Public Comments

None

5. Presentations

None

6. Consent Calendar

All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be approved by one action of the Planning Commission, unless any member of the Planning Commission wishes to remove an item for separate consideration.

A. Approval of Minutes: June 6, 2017

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Mendez to approve minutes of June 6, 2017. Seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried 4-0.

7. Non-Public Hearing Items

A. Consideration: Sign Ordinance Workshop Recommendation: Provide input to staff.

Principal Planner Funk went over first draft of new sign regulations. He went over the business survey results where 29 people replied. He went over sign coverage of windows and different examples of signs. Principal Planner Funk went over the recommendations for changes.

Commissioner Barbree ask about the percentage of the window do we allow be covered and Planner Funk said that is what they want the Planning Commission to tell us.

Chair Nuck feels that it depends on the location in the window that the coverage is. He feels that the windows from the top down looks better than at eye level.

Commissioner Lee ask if the enforcement is happening now. Ms. Gould stated that it is difficult currently however she is trying but with changes coming again she doesn't want to give misleading information until they make a decision.

Commissioner Lee would like a specific person to help a person go through the process.
Principal Planner Funk explained that the sign ordinance will not help that however the front counter can be trained to ask more questions to help that process.

Principal Planner Funk feels that having examples for people to look at of signs would be helpful.
Chair Nuck would like to see people go to a professional sign company.
Commissioner Lee suggested getting a list of graphic designers within a fifty-mile radius.
Commissioner Barbree stated that the City could not endorse designers.

Principal Planner Funk feels that a handout with the business license showing exactly what a sign needs. Planning Commission is in consensus on that.

Commissioner Lee would like to see a certain font, color and texture for the business district so there is some uniformity.

Commission is in consensus on 25% with the flexibility of a whole window covered and others not or 25% of each window.

Garage sale signs need to be permitted on site only, not on public right of way, poles or trees.

Principal Planner Funk went over the New table in the code. Commission is fine with the New table.

After 90 days, the property owner would be responsible for removing the sign.

Real Estate Signs- Need to have a business license to do business in town.

Want to stress the importance of sign permits when applicants get a business license.

Planning Commission would like to know what Dixie needs to do her job better. She said they have gone over it.

Proposed changes in English and Spanish that Dixie could hand out and explain in the next month or so.

Provisions to broaden list of signs approved by the Director, including small murals, banners and feather signs, and Master Sign Programs for ten (10) or less tenants? Planning Commission Concurs.

- Provisions to simplify the review process by reducing list of required findings? Planning Commission concurs.

- Provisions increasing window sign area from 20% to 25%? Planning Commission concurs with 25% and have flexibility on how that 25% is achieved.

- Provisions to allow small sandwich board signs under six (6) square feet? Planning Commission concurs to allow. They do not want them allowed in the Public Right of way only on Private right away.

- Provisions to permit total signage area in excess of 100 square feet?

- Provisions to count the area of only one side of two-sided signs? Planning Commission concurs with Count the area of one side.

- Thoughts & comments regarding other changes proposed in the ordinance?

Inflatable figures and jump houses in front of business that rent them Planning Commission is not in favor of.

Animated sign that is lite from behind the Planning Commission is not in favor of and Principal Planner Funk said are not allowed under current ordinance. Dixie will follow up.

Balloon signs should be treated like pole signs and have to get a use permit. They wanted it added to the ordinance.

Address signage like what is along a theatre wall.

Feather flags Planning Commission likes allowing one with no permit and applicants have to get a permit from more than one. They also want a time limit 45 consecutive days or 180 days a year. Submit a schedule for a year of what days you will have them up.

8. Public Hearing Items-None

9. Regular Business- None

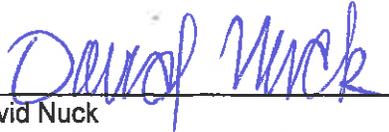
10. Planning Commission Report –

11. Director Reports- No meeting on the 4th of July but one on July 18th.

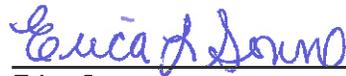
12. Written Correspondence– None

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Planning Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.



David Nuck
Planning Commission Chairperson
City of King



Erica Sonne
Planning Commission Secretary
City of King