

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JACKSONVILLE, ALABAMA
August 17, 2017

The Planning Commission of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met in regular session on August 17, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex #1, 300 Church Avenue, SE. Members present were: T. L. Thompson - Chairman, Penn Wilson – Secretary, Ronnie Thomas, Jennifer Sims, and Herschel Harris. City staff in attendance was Mark Stephens - Planning, Development & Stormwater Director, Mark Williams - Building Inspector, and Rhonda Williams - Clerical Assistant.

MINUTES.

A motion was made by Herschel Harris, seconded by Ronnie Thomas to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of July 20, 2017 and approve them as distributed. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded:
Yeas: 5; Nays: 0. The Chairman announced the motion carried.

**REQUEST FOR STREET VACATION – A PORTION OF PARRIS STREET, SE
LOCATED BETWEEN HATCHER AVENUE, SE AND GREEN AVENUE, SE.**

Elvin and Helen Duggan, petitioners, and Joe Maloney, petitioner’s attorney, was in attendance.

Joe Maloney presented the request which involves vacating a portion of Parris Street, SE. The portion to be vacated is 185 feet in length and is located between Hatcher Avenue, SE and Green Avenue, SE. He explained that the Duggans own all of the property on each side of the portion to be vacated. He explained the reason for the request is because a portion of the Duggan’s house encroaches into the street right-of-way and by vacating the street it would clear up this issue.

Elvin Duggan stated that he and his wife have lived in this house for 48 years and they just want to get the encroachment issue resolved.

The administrative review did not reveal any need for drainage or utility easements.

After discussion, a motion was made by T.L. Thompson, seconded by Ronnie Thomas to send a report to the City Council stating the Planning Commission offers no objection to the Request for Street Vacation and the Planning Commission grants approval for the request to be considered by the City Council in accordance with Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded:
Yeas: 5; Nays: 0. The Chairman announced the motion carried.

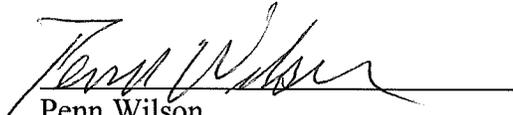
CITIZEN'S COMMENTS.

There were no citizens' comments.

PLANNING.

Mark Stephens continued the discussion of the proposed changes in the draft Zoning Ordinance. During the discussion, Mark Stephens and Mark Williams suggested that the Planning Commission invite the Mayor and City Council to attend a Planning Commission meeting to discuss a couple of sections (signage and variances) in the draft Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission agreed that having the Mayor and City Council attend a meeting would be beneficial. Mark Stephens will prepare an invitation on behalf of the Planning Commission.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m..


Penn Wilson
Secretary


T. L. Thompson
Chairman

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