

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JACKSONVILLE, ALABAMA
January 22, 2015

The Planning Commission of the City of Jacksonville, Alabama, met in regular session January 22, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall Annex #1, 300 Church Avenue, SE. Members present were: Secretary Kelly Ryan, T. L. Thompson, Ronnie Thomas, Penn Wilson, and Richard Turner, Acting Chairman. Lynn Causey, the City's consultant, was in attendance. Mark Williams, Building Inspector was in attendance.

MINUTES. A motion was made by Ronnie Thomas, seconded by Penn Wilson to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 18, 2014 and approve them as distributed. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: 5; Nays: 0. The Acting Chairman announced the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ZONING AMENDMENT TO ADD SECTION 24-357 TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR PAWN SHOPS, PAY-DAY LENDING, TITLE PAWN, AND DEFERRED PRESENTMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

The Acting chairman announced that it was the time and place to conduct a public hearing to consider adding section 24-357 of the city code to establish regulations for Pawn Shops, Pay-Day Lending, Title Pawn and Deferred Presentment Financial Institutions.

Legal notice of the hearing was published in The Jacksonville News January 13, 2015.

The Acting chairman announced the meeting is now open for the applicants to present the proposed zoning amendment and to respond to questions and comments from the planning commission and the public.

City Staff presented the proposed zoning amendment requesting that Pawn Shop, Pay-Day Lending, Title Pawn Shop, and Deferred Presentment Financials Institution be subject to the following restrictions:

- a. No two (2) Financial Institutions shall be permitted to be located within five hundred (500) feet of each other.
- b. No Financial Institution shall be permitted to be within five hundred (500) feet of a residence, church, school or public park.
- c. No Financial Institution shall be permitted if there exists a ratio of more than one (1) Financial Institution for every two thousand five hundred (2500) residents of the city.

During discussion Kelly Ryan suggested the wording of items a, b and c in Section I be changed from Financial Institutions to Pawn Shops, Pay-Day Lending, Title Pawn, and Deferred Presentment Financial Institutions.

There being no further comments, the Acting Chairman closed the public hearing.

CONSIDERATION OF ZONING AMENDMENT TO ADD SECTION 24-357 TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS FOR PAWN SHOPS, PAY-DAY LENDING, TITLE PAWN, AND DEFERRED PRESENTMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

After discussion, a motion was made by Kelly Ryan, seconded by Ronnie Thomas that the zoning amendment to add Section 24-357 to establish regulations for Pawn Shops, Pay-Day Lending, Title Pawn, and Deferred Presentment Financial Institutions be recommended to the City Council provided that the wording in items a, b and c in Section I be changed from Financial Institutions to Pawn Shops, Pay-Day Lending, Title Pawn, and Deferred Presentment Financial Institutions. Upon vote on the motion, the following votes were recorded: Yeas: 5; Nays: 0. The Acting Chairman announced the motion carried. A report of this action will be forwarded to the Mayor and City Council.

PLANNING: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Representatives from East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission were not present therefore no discussion took place.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS.

Klaus Duncan said he supported the proposed Ordinance.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Kelly W. Ryan
Secretary

Richard Turner
Acting Chairman