

CITY OF IONIA
Planning Commission
December 12, 2018
Regular Meeting Minutes

- CALL TO ORDER The Regular Meeting of the City of Ionia Planning Commission for December 12, 2018 was called to order by Chairperson Tim Lee at 4:32 PM.
- ROLL CALL Roll Call revealed Commissioners Mike Donaldson, Mark Jennings, Gordon Kelley, Tim Lee and Judy Swartz present. Commissioners Dave Cook and Boomer Hoppough were excused. Others in attendance included Planning Consultant Jan Johnson, City Manager Jason Eppler, Randi Hermiz, Robin Suomi, Ryan Welsh, and Kyle Miller.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA Chairperson Lee reviewed the agenda with the Commission. After review, it was moved by Commissioner Jennings, seconded by Commissioner Swartz to approve the agenda for the December 12, 2018 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES The Commission reviewed the minutes of the November 14, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting. After review it was moved by Commissioner Jennings, seconded by Commissioner Swartz to approve the minutes of the meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS None.
- OLD BUSINESS Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMFLA) – Opt-In Ordinance: As a follow-up to the November meeting, the City’s Planning Consultant, Jan Johnson, continued her review with the Commission of a proposed new Chapter to the City Code regarding medical marihuana facilities which, if approved, permits medical marihuana facilities in certain zoning districts, subject to conditions.
- Commissioners offered several changes/recommendations which will be revised in preparation for a Public Hearing regarding the amendment scheduled for the January 9, 2019 meeting.
- After further discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Jennings, seconded by Commissioner Swartz to schedule a Public Hearing for 4:30 PM, Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at City Hall regarding the proposed amendment to the Zoning Chapter of the City Code regarding opting-in pursuant to the Michigan Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act. MOTION CARRIED.

Master Plan Update: Work will resume on the updating of the Master Plan at the January 9, 2019 meeting.

Draft Five Year Parks and Recreation Plan: As part of their meeting packet, Planning Commissioners received copies of the proposed Five Year Parks and Recreation Plan which covers the 2019-2024 planning period. The City Manager reported that the 30 day period for the public to comment on the proposed plan is underway. The City Council plans to conduct the Public Hearing regarding the plan as part of its January 8, 2019 regular meeting. Adoption of the plan following the Public Hearing is expected. He encouraged Commissioners to forward to him any comments they may have regarding the plan. Comments will be shared with Councilmembers.

NEW BUSINESS None.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS None.

ADJOURNMENT It was moved by Commissioner Donaldson, seconded by Commissioner Kelley to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 PM.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Eppler, City Manager
Recording Secretary for Dave Cook, Secretary