

**CITY OF IONIA**  
**Planning Commission**  
**February 13, 2019**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**

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- CALL TO ORDER The Regular Meeting of the City of Ionia Planning Commission for February 13, 2019 was called to order by Chairperson Tim Lee at 4:35 PM.
- ROLL CALL Roll Call revealed Commissioners Boomer Hoppough, Mark Jennings, Gordon Kelley, Tim Lee, and Judy Swartz present. Commissioners Dave Cook and Mike Donaldson were excused.
- City Manager Jason Eppler, DDA Director Linda Curtis and Planning Consultant Jan Johnson were also present.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA Chairperson Lee reviewed the agenda with the Commission. After review, it was moved by Commissioner Hoppough, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda for the February 13, 2019 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES The Commission reviewed the minutes of the January 9, 2019 Regular Meeting. After review it was moved by Commissioner Hoppough, seconded by Commissioner Jennings to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2019 Commission meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS None.
- OLD BUSINESS Master Plan Update: Planning Consultant Johnson reviewed with the Commission the latest draft of the proposed Future Land Use Map which will be incorporated into the updated Master Plan. Commissioners offered suggestions for improving the appearance of the Map and provided responses to Mrs. Johnson's questions regarding a few specific parcels in various areas of the City. Mrs. Johnson also provided an overview of the latest draft of the text for the updated Master Plan. Commissioners offered suggestions/changes regarding the implementation plan and complete streets components. Mrs. Johnson also reviewed with the Commission the next steps involved in the adoption of the updated plan. It was the consensus of the Commission to re-review the draft map and plan at the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting and then forward it to the City Council for its review at its April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting with the goal of having Council authorize the distribution of the draft map and plan to neighboring municipalities for the statutory 63 day review period.

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Reconstruction of Steele Street (Adams to Dexter Streets) – Review of Conceptual Cross Sections: The City Engineer was unable to attend the meeting. This item will be discussed at the March 13<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission meeting.

2018 Planning Commission Annual Report: The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed 2018 Planning Commission Annual Report which is proposed to be presented to Council at its March 5, 2019 meeting. After review, it was moved by Commissioner Jennings, seconded by Commissioner Hoppough to approve the 2018 Planning Commission Annual Report as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS Chairman Lee stated that the City Council has passed the proposed Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act ordinance on first reading. The Public Hearing on the proposed ordinance is scheduled for the March 5, 2019 City Council Meeting. The City Council will likely conduct the second reading and pass the ordinance at the March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Commissioners briefly discussed the status of the proposed ICE Detention Facility at the former Deerfield Correctional Facility property.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Swartz, seconded by Commissioner Kelley to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Eppler  
City Manager  
Recording Secretary for Dave Cook, Secretary