

**CITY OF IONIA**  
**Planning Commission**  
**September 8, 2010**  
**Regular Meeting - Synopsis**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Due to a lack of quorum, the Regular Meeting of the City of Ionia Planning Commission for September 8, 2010 could not be called to order. Those present included Commissioners Cook, Jennings and Paton.

City Manager Jason Eppler and Public Safety Officer Doug DeVries were also in attendance.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Medical Marihuana – Proposed Ordinance: The City Manager reviewed with those Commissioners present the proposed medical marihuana amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as drafted by The Hubbard Law Firm. After discussion, Commissioners requested that notice of a Public Hearing on the proposed ordinance for 4:00 PM, Wednesday, October 13, 2010 be published.

Amendment to Sign Ordinance – Garage Sale Signs: The City Manager reviewed with those Commissioners present a proposed amendment to the Sign Ordinance which, if approved, relaxes the standards for the placement of garage sale, estate sale and auction sale signs in the City by permitting off-premise signs subject to conditions. The City Manager stated that the sign standards are not contained in the Zoning Ordinance and therefore the amendment requires no official action by the Commission. The City Manager stated that since the Commission was involved in the development of the sign standards the Commission was provided an opportunity to review the changes. After review, Commissioners present felt that the amendment was consistent with past discussions on this topic and requested that the amendment be forwarded to the City Council for action. The City Manager stated that the amendment will be placed before the City Council at its October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting for the introduction and first reading.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Although the meeting was not formally called to order, Chairperson Jennings closed the meeting at 4:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jason Eppler  
City Manager/Recording Secretary  
for Boomer Hoppough, Secretary