

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS
RUIDOSO DOWNS, NEW MEXICO
June 1st, 2021

On Tuesday, June 1st, 2021, the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Regular Meeting in the Hubbard Room at the City of Ruidoso Downs Municipal Building in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Light called the meeting to order, Tuesday June 1st at 4:31 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called.

Members Present: Chairman Luther Light

Commissioner: Ursula Eckersley

Commissioner: Celeste Beechie-Barnes

There was a quorum.

Not Present:

Commissioner: John Banks

Commissioner: Billy Parker

Also, present was Andrea Herrera, Planning Services Administrative Assistant and John H. Underwood, City Attorney, for the City of Ruidoso Downs.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Light entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Barnes made the motion to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Eckersley seconds the motion.

Motion carried by all ayes. (3)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chairman Light entertained a motion to approve the May 4th, 2021, Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Barnes made a motion to approve the Minutes.

Commissioner Eckersley seconds the motion.

Motion carried by all ayes. (3)

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Light began the discussion-Need for more Specific Ordinance on Short Term/Vacation Rentals by having Andrea Herrera begin. Discusses was the need for a more specific ordinance in regard to the short term/vacation rentals here in the city of Ruidoso Downs. It was determined that this may not only be a zoning issue, but an issue for the council to address. So, Andrea and Mr. Underwood will discuss the council side of this, and we will push the zoning aspect of this topic to July's regular Planning and Zoning meeting. We also talked about getting with the police department to possibly

work with code enforcement to help inspections of all rentals, or even the fire department.

Next on the Agenda, under discussion-Need for Ordinance on Solicitation/Door-to-Door Sales. Andrea brought up that this came about due to a person calling from another country wanted to know if they could do business here in the Downs when they come over to the United States as a Foreign Exchange student. But here again this does not appear to be a zoning issue. Mr. Underwood stated that it was an issue that himself and Andrea would go over at a later time.

Last on the Agenda was a discussion with the 1862 Ranch Group wanting to share information on a Development Concept for Workforce Housing on Tract 6A and Tract 6B. Present by way of Zoom was Mr. Jorgenson and Mr. Kim. They addressed the commissioners with their concept for workforce housing. They stated they had been to several businesses in the community to see what if any would be beneficial, and all agreed with the housing concept. Mr. Underwood brought up the fact that there was an issue with some property adjacent to theirs that had been used as a dumpsite for tires and manure that may have to be dealt with before any building could be started. The 1862 Ranch Group stated they were aware of that and would defiantly address that issue when the time arose. All commissioners were receptive to their Design Concept. They thought it was a good plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion and Recommended Language Changes for Chapter 155 Zoning, on-going until complete.

ADJOURNMENT

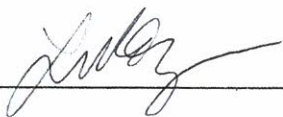
Chairman Light entertained a motion for adjournment.

Commissioner Barnes made the motion.

Commissioner Eckersley seconds the motion.

Motion carried by all ayes. (3)

Meeting was adjourned at 5:08PM

APPROVED:  Luther Light, Chairman

ATTEST: 
Tom Armstrong, Planning Services Director