

City of Mount Vernon
Planning Commission
Minutes of August 19, 2008

Chairperson **Denny Legro** called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Members present were: **Al Lyon, Mark Hulst, Gary Molenaar, Donnie Keltz** and **Warren Cheney**.
Staff present: **Jana Hanson-Director, Rebecca Bradley-Lowell-Senior Planner**

Minutes:

Mr. Hulst moved to approve minutes from July 15, 2008 and revised minutes of August 5, 2008. **Gary Molenaar** stated in the previous minutes that it was an observation only that the 2 taverns mentioned could potentially be locations for card rooms, not that they should go there. **Al Lyon** second. Motion carried.

Public Hearing for Dimensional Communications addition:

Rebecca Bradley-Lowell reviewed project summary and proposal to the Planning Commission.

Doug Schwind-1128 E Fairhaven, Burlington – Northwest Datum and Design:
Spoke on behalf of owner, Paul Hagman. **Mr. Schwind** stated that Mr. Hagman currently runs his business between 2 locations; Anderson Road and Williams Way. He would like to consolidate his business to one location on Anderson Road.

Public Hearing closed. **Mr. Hulst** approved proposal and send to council, **Mr. Lyon** second. Motion carried.

Code Amendments:

Rebecca Bradley-Lowell reviewed the amendments with Planning Commission. This is the second meeting of code amendments. **Rebecca Bradley-Lowell** also handed out updates to previous changes. This is mostly just clarification to previous changes.

Mr. Legro asked for questions. He questioned why changes like this don't go to a citizen committee. **Rebecca Bradley-Lowell** stated that this goes to SICBA and they notify their members who are mostly developers/builders in the area. It was also published in the newspaper regarding the meetings that public can make comments at. He stated that he was talking to a design/developer friend of his this evening and that person was unaware of what changes were happening.

Joe Woodmansee-17146 Brit Road, Mount Vernon:

Joe Woodmansee stated he was not aware of the changes happening. He did not receive any notification from SICBA and didn't read the newspaper. He stated that if there is a significant difference in the density calculations, he felt this was a major issue and should

be discussed further with the developers. He respectfully asked the Planning Commission to continue the public hearing to allow developers to comment on these changes.

Rebecca Bradley-Lowell stated that there will be a public hearing at Council on the 27th that public can comment on.

Mr. Hulst motioned to continue the public hearing to the next Planning Commission meeting. It will be continued to the Sept. 16th meeting. Motion was seconded by **Gary Molenaar**. Motion carried.

Jana Hanson also stated to the Planning Commission that there are 2 more code amendments coming up on Essential Public Facilities and clarifications on the Critical Areas Ordinance.

No other comments were made.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 16th, 2008. Meeting closed at 7:35.