

ALBERTVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024

APPROVED MINUTES

ALBERTVILLE CITY HALL 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - ADOPT AGENDA

Chair Buhrmann called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Maeghan Becker conducted roll call.

Present: Chair Buhrmann and Commissioners Anderson, Huggins, Smith, Pinski and Council Liaison Hayden.

Absent: None.

Others Present: City Planner Al Brixius and Building Permit Technician Maeghan Becker

Motioned by Huggins, seconded by Anderson to approve the agenda as submitted. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

2. MINUTES

Motioned by Smith, seconded by Anderson to approve the October 10, 2023, Planning Commission meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public hearing to consider a zoning text amendment to Section 1000.5.E pertaining to hot tub fence requirements.

Brixius went through the proposed zoning text amendment which is to removed the fencing requirement for the above ground hot tubs.

Commissioners discussed what restricted access would be for the hot tubs, such as covers and locks, and removal of steps and it would be up to the homeowner to keep it secured.

Motioned by Anderson, seconded by Smith to open the Public Hearing. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

No comment.

Motioned by Huggins, seconded by Buhrmann to close the Public Hearing. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

Motioned by Smith, seconded by Anderson to approve a zoning text amendment to Section 1000.5.E pertaining to hot tub fence requirements with the conditions listed in the January 25, 2024, Planners Report. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

B. Public hearing to consider a sign code text amendment allowing signs within City playfields within Central Park.

Brixius presented the sign code text amendment in which the city would allow for the placement of advertising signs on the inside of the playfields in Central Park by the Albertville Sport Associations.

Commissioners has many questions, they are wondering the following:

- The time frame for these signs.
- What associations can sell the advertising spots.
- Who will enforce the signs, when they are not following the rules.
- Who issues the sign permits.
- Who regulates the price of these signs.
- Are Albertville Friendly City Days exempt from this, or do they need to follow this code as well.
- Should these signs all be uniform.
- Are there different tiers that you can pay for.

Brixius informed that he did not have all the answers to the Commissioners questions and recommended to table this public hearing until the next planning commission meeting and he will review these questions with staff.

Motioned by Anderson, seconded by Smith to open the Public Hearing. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

Motioned by Anderson, seconded by Pinski to table the sign code text amendment allowing signs within City playfields within Central Park listed in the January 25, 2024, Planners Report to the next Planning Commission Meeting. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Land Use Discussion regarding Costco Site plan and future adjoining land uses in Albertville.

Brixius presented the Costo land use study and would like the Commissioners to start looking at the use of the lots around the proposed Costco location which will be located on the boarder of Otsego and Albertville. Brixius went through the proposed Costco site plan and layout and the surrounding lots within Albertville. Staff is concerned with traffic generation, traffic movements and site access. Planning Commission and City Council are requested to review the proposed land uses and zoning for the area and give direction to City Staff on land use goals for the area.

Commissioners discussed the MN Dot updates with CR 37 and I-94 interchange.

Commissioners discussed many different land use goals that they have in mind from parks and green space to business development which would bring money to the City.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Smith, seconded by Pinski to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm. Ayes: Buhrmann, Anderson, Huggins, Smith and Pinski. Nays: None. Absent: None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Maeghan Becker Maeghan M. Becker, Building Permit Technician