



# Plymouth Planning Commission

## Regular Meeting Minutes

### Wednesday, August 12, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.

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#### Online Zoom Meeting

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Karen Sisolak called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Sisolak, Joe Hawthorne (arrived at 7:19) Tim Joy, Jennifer Kehoe, Adam Offerman, Hollie Saraswat, and Scott Silvers

Excused: Commissioners Shannon Adams, Chuck Myslinski

Also present: Assistant Community Development Director Greta Bolhuis and Planning Consultant Sally Elminger

#### 2. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Joy offered a motion, seconded by Silvers, to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2020 meeting. There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Sisolak, Joy, Kehoe, Offerman, Saraswat, Silvers

MOTION PASSED 5-0

#### 4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Kehoe offered a motion, seconded by Joy, to approve the agenda for Wednesday, August 12, 2020. There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Sisolak, Joy, Kehoe, Offerman, Saraswat, Silvers

MOTION PASSED 6-0

#### 5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Sisokak asked that the Planning Commission revisit its objectives, and focus on rezoning. The rezoning subcommittee plans to meet prior to the September 9, 2020 meeting so they can make a recommendation on the best way to go forward.

#### 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. PUD 15-01: 550 N. Holbrook, Starkweather School (PUD Amendment)

Applicant Mark Menuck said he is not ready for a public hearing and asked that it be postponed. Silvers offered a motion, seconded by Offerman, to postpone the public hearing for PUD 15-01 to

the September 9 Planning Commission meeting.

There were no citizen comments.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Sisolak, Joy, Kehoe, Offerman, Saraswat, Silvers  
Abstain: Hawthorne

MOTION PASSED 6-0

b. Amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section 78-297: Rooftop Dining Ordinance

The public hearing opened at 7:23 p.m.

Ellen Elliott, 404 Irvin, asked that the Planning Commission include adequate parking requirements in the ordinance.

The public hearing closed at 7:24 p.m.

Commission members discussed parking and their desire to support struggling businesses and musicians, while limiting potential disruption to nearby businesses and residents. There was a discussion about the current noise ordinance as it relates to music, and commissioners recommended that the music prohibition in the current wording should be removed and that acoustic music should be allowed. The group also discussed hours of operation and agreed that they should be consistent with the Café and Patio Outdoor Seating Ordinance.

Silvers offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Offerman.

The Planning Commission recommends that the City Commission adopt the Rooftop Seating Ordinance as written, with the following additions:

- The existing noise ordinance shall apply to rooftop dining
- Any live music will be limited to acoustic instruments and voices, and to Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The definition of acoustic music (that which is not amplified electronically) should be added.
- Hours of operation will align with the existing Café and Patio Outdoor Seating Ordinance
- Sections 78-297 (j) and 78-297 (k) shall be combined in order to have uniform requirements for both temporary and permanent structures.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Sisolak, Hawthorne, Joy, Kehoe, Offerman, Saraswat, Silvers

MOTION PASSED 6-0

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**9. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

Bolhuis reported that the September 9, 2020 meeting will be held via Zoom.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Joy offered a motion, seconded by Saraswat, to adjourn the meeting at 8:14.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Sisolak, Hawthorne, Joy, Kehoe, Offerman, Saraswat, Silvers

MOTION PASSED 6-0