



City of Plymouth - Meeting Minutes

City Commission Study Session

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

TIME: 7:00 p.m. at Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth, MI

PRESENT FROM CITY COMMISSION: Mayor Nick Moroz, Mayor ProTem Tony Sebastian (arrived 7:20), Commissioners Suzi Deal, Linda Filipczak, Jennifer Kehoe, and Kelly O'Donnell.

EXCUSED: City Commissioner Alanna Maguire

PRESENT FROM DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: Chair Kerri Pollard, Vice Chair Andre Martinelli, Members Ellen Elliott, Scott Foess, Brian Harris, Dan Johnson, Richard Matsui, Shannon Perry

PRESENT FROM HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION: John Townsend

PRESENT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION: Chair Karen Sisolak, Vice Chair Scott Silvers, Commissioners Shannon Adams and Eric Stalter

Also present were City Manager Paul Sincock, City Attorney Bob Marzano, and various members of the city administration.

2. PRESENTATION ON PARKLETS

City Manager Paul Sincock described the concept of parklets, then Wade Trim representatives Shawn Keough, Matt Clark and Scott Lautzenheiser gave a presentation.

The following community members commented on the presentation: Bud Hilliard of 823 Penniman, Dan Johnson of 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Wally Janowski of 561 Kellogg, Cindy Eckley of 833 Penniman, Ashlyn of 821 Penniman, Jeff Sisolak of 939 Penniman, Geraldine Hillard of 823 Penniman, Paul Salloum representing Bigalora and Greek Island, Leann Meixner of 253 Blanche, Ron Cook of 294 Main, Marques Thomey of 802 Coolidge and Mark Oppat of the Old Village Association.

DDA members Ellen Elliott, Scott Foess, Shannon Perry, Kerri Pollard and Patrick O'Neill; and Planning Commissioners Scott Silvers and Karen Sisolak also provided feedback.

Concern was expressed about losing parking spaces if parklets were built (14 of the nearly 1,000 spaces in the City), about parking for non-restaurant businesses and about funding the project. Some suggested semi-permanent parklets. Many spoke in favor of the parklet concept and of preferring an option more attractive than the barriers that were in place the past two summers.

City Commissioners asked clarifying questions and emphasized the need for ADA compliance, cohesion, flexibility and investment in both the downtown and in Old Village if the project was approved.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.