

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
PLAN COMMISSION
May 2, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

**LINCOLNWOOD VILLAGE HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6900 NORTH LINCOLN**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Paul Eisterhold
George Touras
Patricia Goldfein
Sue Auerbach
Don Sampen
Mark Yohanna

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Steve Jakubowski

STAFF PRESENT:

Community Development Manager Aaron N. Cook, AICP
Community Development Coordinator Lauren Wolf
Community Development Intern Andrea Litzhoff

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Eisterhold noted a quorum of six members present and called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the April 4, 2012 Plan Commission minutes was made by Commissioner Touras and seconded by Commissioner Auerbach with minor grammatical changes. Motion approved 6-0. Motion to approve the April 22, 2012 Bus Tour minutes was made by Commissioner Auerbach and seconded by Commissioner Sampen. Motion approved 4-0 with Commissioners Yohanna and Touras abstaining. Commissioner Auerbach thanked staff for putting together the bus tour, it was informative and insightful.

III. PUBLIC HEARING: Zoning Code Text Amendment

Request: Amendment to Modify the Minimum Off-Street Parking Requirements for Eating and Drinking Establishments

Development Manager Cook began with an explanation the request was by the Village Board out of the Committee of the Whole meeting. Manager Cook introduced Development Intern Andrea Litzhoff, she did most of the hard work and preparation for this Text Amendment request.

Development Manager showed a brief power-point presentation showing the difference between the current Lincolnwood Zoning Code restrictions on parking versus bordering communities.

Discussion ensued over the data compiled and Plan Commission members felt it was a hard task to compare Lincolnwood to neighboring communities relative to parking. Lincolnwood has a lot of existing restaurants that are non-conforming relative to current off-street parking requirements. Plan Commission members expressed the need for more information relative to existing Lincolnwood restaurants and drinking establishments.

Community Development Manager Cook stated that Staff will survey existing restaurants and see how they operate currently and use that as a Community tolerance and threshold.

Commissioner Yohanna made a motion to continue this Text Amendment until a date certain of June 6, 2012 seconded by Commissioner Touras. All in favor 6-0 motion passes.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding Commission Member Representation at Village Board Meetings

Plan Commission members agreed to have a rotation of Commissioners present at the Village Board meetings. At the time of a motion Commissioner volunteers to be present at the Village Board meeting with an alternate in place.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Hearing no further business, Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Yohanna. Seconded by - Commissioner Sampen. Motion approved unanimously 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Wolf
Community Development Department Coordinator