

**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
MARCH 3, 2005**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson – Mike Lents, Commissioners – Joann Potts, Art Potts, Gary Abel, Mike Frey, Jack Bell, Todd Vandewarker, Leon Blatt. City Manager Clint Holmes, City Clerk Kelly Pavel.

**ABSENT:** Ken Brown, Dave Blovsky

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson Mike Lents.

Moved by J. Potts, second by Blatt, to approve the minutes of February 3, 2005 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:** None.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Zoning Map – No change
2. Brandi Lynn Estates – Lynn Manogue – no change
3. Catholic Church Plans – no change

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None scheduled

**PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. City Manager Holmes discussed Public Act 285. He has researched this Act and found that Planning Commissions are allowed no more than 9 members. Currently we have 10 members appointed. Discussion of possible solutions to eliminate one member. Commission directed City Manager to investigate the possibility of having an alternate. Joann Potts volunteered to service as an alternate if this is possible under state law.
2. Master Plan copies need to be sent to 13 various groups before a Public Hearing can be held. Further investigation has discovered that

a 55-75 day waiting period is then necessary for responses from various groups. It is suggested that this process begin and the scheduled Public Hearing for April 7, 2005 remain for the purpose of the review and discussion of the Zoning Map only. Public Hearing for Master Plan will take place at a later date.

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS & QUESTIONS:**

Commissioner Vandewarker questioned the zoning of an adult group home on First and Walter Streets. City Manager stated that total number of occupants allows this group home to exist in residential area.

Commissioner Vandewarker has been approached by residents concerned about the structure being added at a St. Mary's Street residence. Stated property has submitted a pre-application building permit and been approved by the City Council to construct a 24' x 30' garage.

Moved by J. Potts, second by Blatt, to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Pavel  
City Clerk