

MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

70 Maple Street
Manistee, MI 49660

WORKSESSION MINUTES

March 20, 1997

A Worksession of the Manistee City Planning Commission was held on March 20, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kristie Harless, John Lakos, Mathew McShane, John Serocki, Roger Yoder

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Fatke, Richard Franckowiak, Duane Jones, Tony Slawinski

OTHERS PRESENT: Lori Donnan (Zoning Administrator), Jon Rose (Community Development Officer), Denise Mikula (City of Manistee), Ray Fortier (City Council), Dave Hoffman (Harbor Village), Dave Carlson

Chairman Yoder called the worksession to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Dave Hoffman of Harbor Village spoke to the Planning Commission on the current status at Harbor Village. He spoke of the cleanup efforts in progress on Fifth Avenue and the planned removal of the construction trailers at the site. Discussion on the maintenance building was held and he mentioned a proposal to build a maintenance building into the cottage area of the project. The building would be finished to look like one of the cottages with the exception of an 18' x 8' garage door. He handed out designs of the new Lakeshore Condominiums and spoke of a planned walkway near the Pitchers Thistle reserve towards Lake Michigan and Man-made Lake.

Mr. Hoffman showed a new concept for the Lakeview Condominium area that is next to Red Szymarek Park. The new plan uses the existing contours of the property and the units will be built in and around the hills and trees that currently are in the area. The proposed plan would have approximately 100 units vs the 140 in the PUD. He will bring a site plan to the April Meeting.

Mr. Hoffman finished his presentation by speaking on proposed signage on US-31. He showed some drawings of signs and said that he would like to include the directional signs for Fifth Avenue Beach and the Coast Guard Station on their directional sign by Monroe Street. The Commission thanked Mr. Hoffman for his update on the project and invited him to stay for the discussion on the Sign Ordinance.

Dave Carlson and Jon Rose gave an update on the progress of the new Sign Ordinance. Background was given on the length of time it has taken to achieve the current document. The Sign Ordinance was presented to the Chamber. The D.D.A. has also reviewed the document and the Merchants Committee will also be reviewing the document. Mr. Rose asked the committee to look over the document and at the April

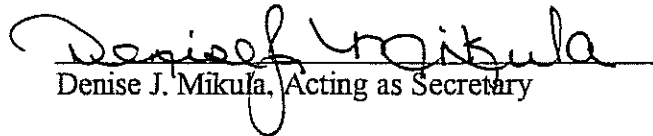
Meeting he will be available to answer and additional questions they may have and will ask for an endorsement from the Planning Commission to forward onto City Council.

Lori Donnan, Kristie Harless and Roger Yoder will be attending a Pre-Manufactured home seminar on Wednesday, March 26th. Ms. Donnan asked that we postpone any additional discussion on Pre-Manufactured Homes until we all review the information received from the seminar. The information will be mailed out to the members with the April Meeting packet on March 27th. If time allows at the April Meeting we will hold a workshop to continue discussion on Pre-Manufactured Housing.

Lori Donnan explained that the City Council will be using the Council Chambers on April 3rd. The members in attendance were asked if they would be able to attend the meeting if it was changed to April 10th. Both John Serocki and John Lakos would be unable to attend and Tony Slawinski is not scheduled to return from Florida until May. With the absence of these three members and the need for quorum it was decided that the April Planning Commission Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 3rd in the Police Department. This will allow barrier free access if needed. Members are advised to enter by using the Maple Street entrance to the Police Department.

There being no further discussion the worksession adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Denise J. Mikula, Acting as Secretary