

1 **PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF MEETING**

2 Wednesday, July 12, 2017

3 7:00 p.m.

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5 A quorum being present at Centerville City Hall, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah,  
6 the meeting of the Centerville City Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

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8 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

9 David Hirschi, Chair  
10 Cheylynn Hayman, Vice Chair  
11 Kevin Daly  
12 Kathy Helgesen  
13 Gina Hirst  
14 Logan Johnson  
15 Becki Wright

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17 **STAFF PRESENT**

18 Lisa Romney, City Attorney  
19 Cory Snyder, Community Development Director  
20 Cassie Younger, Assistant City Planner  
21 Luanne Hudson, Recording Secretary

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23 **VISITORS**

24 Interested citizens (see attached sign-in sheet)

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26 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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28 **OPENING COMMENT/LEGISLATIVE PRAYER** – Commissioner Hayman

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30 **MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

31 The minutes for the Planning Commission meeting held June 28, 2017 were reviewed and  
32 amended. Commissioner Helgesen made a motion to approve the minutes as  
33 amended. Commissioner Hirst seconded the motion and it passed (6-0) with Commissioner  
34 Hayman abstaining.

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36 **PUBLIC HEARING – ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT – LEGISLATIVE DECISION,**  
37 **Consider the proposed Zoning Text Amendments for CZC 12.12, “Definitions”, CZC 12.34,**  
38 **“Commercial Zones”, and 12.36, “Table of Uses”, all regarding the definition, use, and**  
39 **parameters of “Construction Sales and Service” in Commercial Zones and the associated**  
40 **allowance of outdoor storage yards.**

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42 Community Development Director Snyder reported on the application and reminded the  
43 Commissioners that at the June 14 meeting, the Commission tabled any action and directed Staff  
44 to prepare modifications to:

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46 • Create a new definition for Construction Sales & Service, Limited  
47 • Revise the “Outdoor Storage” allowance within the C-M Zone  
48 • Add the new use definition to the C-M Zone, Table of Uses

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50 Director Snyder explained that the City is the petitioner and this request is associated with  
51 the fire station on Main Street that may move to another location. The City would like to allow a

1 local construction contractor to acquire the existing fire station facility and reuse it for their  
2 business. He said the City Council recently directed Staff and the Planning Commission to consider  
3 and evaluate whether "Construction Sales and Services" ought to be allowed in the Commercial-  
4 Medium (C-M) Zones. Director Snyder recommended the Planning Commission focus on whether  
5 this type of use is consistent with the City's General Plan, the neighborhood plans where the C-M  
6 Zone exists, and whether it is consistent with the purpose of the C-M Zone.

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8 Director Snyder said Staff proposes a new use named "Construction Sales and Services,  
9 Limited" that is narrowed from the larger category of "Construction Sales and Service". The  
10 "Limited" definition disallows outdoor storage and requires that the activities of the business be  
11 conducted within an enclosed building. He said with the Commercial-Medium Zone only used on  
12 the south Main Street corridor, this particular use may come in conflict with the design guidelines  
13 of the form-based code. He said the Commission might want to consider whether this should be  
14 a Permitted Use, as drafted, or as a Conditional Use.

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16 Chair Hirschi asked Staff if this is a change of use and Director Snyder said it is a change  
17 of use under zoning but not a change of use of occupancy relating to the Building Codes, both the  
18 fire station and the proposed contractor's office are "B" Occupancy Groups.

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20 Shane Shupe spoke as a representative of Shupe Electric, the company that may purchase  
21 the fire station building. He said he feels comfortable with the zoning code as described. He said  
22 they have no plans to remodel the facility now, but over time there may be some development on  
23 the lot. Chair Hirschi asked Mr. Shupe if he felt their planned use of facility would meet the  
24 guidelines outlined in the Staff Report. Mr. Shupe said yes, that most of their equipment is kept  
25 at a storage site in another city. He asked for a clarification on what is considered large equipment  
26 that is not allowed to be kept on-site. He asked if a 4x4 box or an equipment lift would be  
27 considered large pieces of equipment.

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29 Director Snyder explained that under the new definition of "Construction Sales and  
30 Service, Limited" everything must be stored inside the facility and that would include even the  
31 mentioned scissor lifts. Mr. Shupe asked if vehicles are permitted to be stored outside. Director  
32 Snyder answered that anything over a one-ton truck is considered large equipment and could not  
33 be stored outside of the building.

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35 Chair Hirschi opened the public hearing at 7:36 p.m. and ask for public comments. Director  
36 Snyder said he received emails from two citizens who had comments but were not able to attend  
37 the meeting: Nancy Smith and Robyn Neville. Director Snyder said the specific concerns were  
38 about enforcement of the City's zoning code. Chair Hirschi said he received the emails and felt  
39 the issues had been addressed in Staff's report. Chair Hirschi made a **MOTION** to include the  
40 two emails in the public record. Hearing no opposition to the motion, he said the emails would be  
41 included in the public record.

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43 Seeing no one else wanting to make a public comment, Chair Hirschi closed the public  
44 hearing at 7:40 p.m.

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46 Commissioner Johnson said enforcement of the City's zoning code could be a problem because  
47 the City may not have the resources to follow-up on citizen complaints about zoning code  
48 violations. He said he understood the public comment about getting ahead of zoning code  
49 violations by not allowing this kind of use and he asked for Staff's input. Director Snyder said he

1 thought the emailed public comments were based upon the previous complaints about auto  
2 dealership on Main Street. He said that use brought up the question of what constitutes allowable  
3 accessory uses. He said one person's view of accessory use might be different from another  
4 person's view. He said that is where enforcement comes in and suggested the Commissioners may  
5 want to discuss permitted use or conditional use on this application.  
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7 Chair Hirschi said the Planning Commission has spent a lot of time looking at Main Street  
8 and much of what they have sent to the City Council has not been approved. He said the  
9 Commission is left with a commercial strip along Main Street and should do the best they can with  
10 it. Chair Hirschi commended Staff's efforts to come up with a definition for "Construction Sales  
11 and Service, Limited" that included areas of protection and he said he favors the proposal.  
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13 Commissioner Helgesen said enforcement is also her concern and she does not want to  
14 create anything that has an industrial look on Main Street. She said she is more comfortable with  
15 the new code that does not allow outdoor storage.  
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17 Commissioner Wright said Staff's new definition of "Construction Sales and Service,  
18 Limited" largely addressed her concerns. However, when considering the bigger picture along  
19 Main Street, she questioned if the Commission truly supports the current Main Street plan. If the  
20 Commission does support the plan, approving this application would undermine those plans.  
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22 Chair Hirschi agreed but said, on the other hand, this is a newer building that will exist for  
23 some time, and even with the vision of form-based code, he does not foresee the use on this location  
24 changing. He said the Commission has opportunities to require compliance with form-based  
25 code when owners remodel their facilities. He said other locations along Main Street would need  
26 to be in compliance if there is a change of use. He feels the Commission may be shutting off  
27 potential uses that will benefit Main Street if they say no to this application.  
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29 Commissioner Hirst expressed her opinion that it is better to have a business occupy the  
30 facility than to have a vacant building. She said it is a newer building that no one is going to tear  
31 down in the near future, and this use is similar to businesses on Main Street in nearby communities.  
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33 Commissioner Daly said, as far as enforcement goes, it is always going to be a challenge.  
34 He said he felt some of the issues raised in the public comment have been addressed by not  
35 allowing outdoor storage, and limiting the category to indoor storage.  
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37 Commissioner Daly made a **MOTION** for the Planning Commission to recommend to the  
38 City Council the amendments to the Centerville City Zoning Ordinance, as stated in the Staff  
39 Report with suggested Reasons for the Action (a-g). Commissioner Helgesen seconded the  
40 motion. Chair Hirschi asked Staff to fix the numbering on Special Regulation 12.34.080. The  
41 motion passed unanimously (7-0).  
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43 **REASONS FOR THE ACTION (FINDINGS):**

- 44 a. The Planning Commission finds that the decision to amend the...zoning ordinance is a  
45 matter within the legislative discretion of the City Council as described in CZC  
46 12.21.060.a.1.B.  
47 b. The Planning Commission finds that the current use of C-M Zoning is limited to the South  
48 Main Street Corridor, from Parrish Lane to Porter Lane.

- 1 c. The Planning Commission finds that Main Street been regarded as the traditional  
2 commercial center of Centerville.  
3 d. The Planning Commission finds that historically, vocational trades businesses have been  
4 or are currently located along Main Street. Examples such as a black smith shop (*see photo*  
5 *at City Hall*), Tingey Construction, Larsen Electric, and Cook Builders.  
6 e. The Planning Commission finds that the Main Street commercial area is old now and  
7 somewhat deteriorating, though a few new buildings have been constructed here in recent  
8 years.  
9 f. The Planning Commission finds that the General Plan objective to redevelop or revitalize  
10 the Main Street Commercial area may continue to be difficult and slow, despite the South  
11 Main Street Overlay incentives.  
12 g. Therefore, the Planning Commission finds that opportunities to encourage restoration or  
13 revitalization ought to be permissible.  
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15 **DISCUSSION - SOUTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN - PAGES LANE**  
16 **COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, Discuss Staff analysis and possible scenarios and General Plan**  
17 **amendments.**  
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19 Director Snyder reported on Staff's analysis, possible scenarios and General Plan  
20 amendments for the Southeast Neighborhood Pages Lane Commercial District. He said Staff has  
21 researched property valuations, parks and open space, and park development scenarios. He said  
22 Staff is seeking direction from the Planning Commission on which option(s) to pursue. Director  
23 Snyder suggested that the Planning Commissioner and Staff prepare proposals and then invite  
24 additional stakeholders, property owners and businesses to a public hearing.  
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26 Director Snyder said the eastern half of the Southeast Commercial area is ripe for  
27 redevelopment. He said the middle section near Deseret Industries is a good place to establish a  
28 buffer and a potential public space. He said planning for the western half of the area is on a longer  
29 horizon. Director Snyder said the eastern half of the property has a total of 8.17 acres with a  
30 valuation of \$4.7 million. He reviewed the four possible scenarios:  
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- 32 1. City Acquisition for a 3-acre park - \$1.72 million  
33 2. City Acquisition for a Pocket Park - \$391,000 for .68 acre  
34 3. Private/Public Partnership – Joint use of Residential Development Open Space and  
35 Public Use/ Easement  
36 4. Island View Park – Exchange Land Water Conservation Fund Grant  
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38 Director Snyder said, from his standpoint, the public/private partnership is a feasible plan.  
39 He said a proposal for the City to purchase a 3-acre park will likely delay development 5, 7, or 10  
40 years down the road and leaves open the question of what to do with the vacant space in the interim.  
41 All the Commissioners participated in a detailed discussion about the proposed alternatives.  
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43 Chair Hirschi said the Commission has always talked about taking a holistic approach that  
44 includes analysis of both the east and west sides of the area. His hope is that the planning for the  
45 east side has a favorable impact for the west side as well. He said Deseret Industries has already  
46 indicated they are willing to consider participating in the development in some way. Director  
47 Snyder agreed and said their plan will include language that demonstrates the benefit to the west  
48 side. Chair Hirschi said he would like to make a recommendation to the City Council that includes

1 a park, residential, and commercial development that can be done using a variety of funding  
2 sources including public-private partnerships and grants.  
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4 Commissioner Wright complimented Staff on the report. She stated that while impact fees  
5 are a source of funding for parks, the Commission is not constrained to use those as the only source  
6 of funding. She said high density is not a requirement to pay for parks and the Commission should  
7 not shut the door on partnerships or the possibility of an Island View Park exchange.  
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9 Commissioner Hayman inquired about Scenario 3 and asked Staff to confirm that \$201,000  
10 was the entire amount of park impact fee that would be generated by the high-density option, while  
11 assuming the maximum 12 units per acre are developed. Director Snyder said yes. She asked if  
12 there were any grants, like the Island View Park grant, or other state or federal funds available that  
13 the City could use to help fund a park. She said she is not enamored with pocket parks and would  
14 like to see a decent-sized park. Commissioner Hayman asked that staff put forth a proposal for a  
15 destination park, such as a skate park, chess park, dog park or a splash pad park. She may be  
16 willing to consider up to 8 units per acre if it will assist the City in funding, either publicly or  
17 through a public/private partnership, a significant park in that area.  
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19 Commissioner Daly said it is clear the public does not have an appetite for high-density  
20 residential development in this area. He estimated 4 units per acre would be most acceptable, but  
21 thinks 8 units per acre is too much. He said mixed use only makes sense in certain sections of this  
22 area, but is generally not a good fit. He said the public said loud and clear they want a park, and  
23 he thinks Centerville is under-parked. He reasoned that using grant funds meant for Island View  
24 Park would leave the City even more under-parked. He said the Porter Walton Park is about 2.5  
25 acres and he would like to see a similar-sized park on Pages Lane, not a pocket park. He  
26 summarized his vision as leaving the commercial as-is, then transitioning to low-density residential  
27 with a decent-sized park when the time is right.  
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29 Commissioner Hirst added that the national park standard is 10 acres per thousand residents  
30 and reported that statistics show Centerville is at 15.26 acres per thousand including the 160 acres  
31 of mountain land and under-parked at 3.35 acres per thousand when you subtract out the 160 acres  
32 of mountain land that are not readily available for public use.  
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34 Chair Hirschi said the City is still struggling with the cemetery issue. Director Snyder said  
35 the City Council had recent discussions about the cemetery issue and he suggested the  
36 Commissioners read recent City Council meeting minutes on Novus to see their discussions.  
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38 Commissioner Johnson said he would like to speak against mixed use at this particular site  
39 and he is open to a park and residential development at a minimum of 8 units per acre.  
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41 Commissioner Wright shared the stories she had heard from citizens saying how the  
42 Community Park was largely funded and finished through the donations of citizens planting trees  
43 and grass. She said they looked upon it as a coming together of the people of Centerville and said  
44 if you tax us for a park you are removing the opportunity for us to come together as a community.  
45 She said a park will come at a cost but there are different ways to cover the cost.  
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47 Chair Hirschi said the Commission does not need to make a decision based on what one  
48 developer wants to do, but their input is helpful because they study market trends. He said the  
49 City may not have to go down the road of high density if other stakeholders will participate. He

1 prefers a plan that is feasible, pleasing to the residents of the city, and benefits stakeholders on  
2 both the east side and west side of the area. He asked Staff to provide a scenario for a buffer park,  
3 some residential, some mixed use and language to craft into the City's General Plan.  
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5 Commissioner Wright made a **MOTION** to direct Staff to prepare scenarios for:  
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- 7 1) Mixed Use
- 8 2) Park with Public/Private Partnership (Scenario 3)
- 9 3) Park

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11 The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hayman. To clarify, Director Snyder repeated  
12 that he understood the Commissioners were asking for thematic scenarios with park elements and  
13 discussions about density. The motion passed unanimously (7-0).  
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15 **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT**


- 16 • Bridge Community Church
- 17 • Kim Samuelson Barn – Hillside Overlay Zone
- 18 • Goodfellow/Tullius Barn – Adjacent to the Bleak project that was recently approved.
- 19 • Quick Quack Car Wash – Reconsider the requirement for Parrish Lane Design Guidelines.
- 20 • Southeast Development Pages Lane – Thematic Element Review

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22 **CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS REPORT**

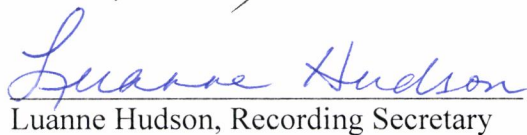
- 23 • William Davies Rezone - Passed
- 24 • Moss Acres Rezone – Passed

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26 **ADJOURNMENT**

27 Commissioner Hayman made a **MOTION** to adjourn. Commissioner Wright seconded the  
28 motion, which passed unanimously (7-0). The meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.  
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33 David Hirschi, Chairman

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36 Date Approved

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Luanne Hudson, Recording Secretary

