

READING PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF READING

December 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order by chair Christine Gollnick at 7:00 p.m. at Reading City Hall. Present: Christine Gollnick, Warren Bartels, Chad Penney, Chuck Hartshorn, Emma Everett, and Betty Blount. Absent: none. Also present: Kym Blythe, Ben Wheeler, and 6 guests. Chad made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve the November minutes. Motion carried 6-0. The agenda was accepted as presented.

Christine closed the regular meeting and opened a Public Hearing to consider a Special Land Use permit for a Provisioning Center at 124 S. Main Street by JABBS-BCC at 7:02. Alex Dittton shared that they are looking forward to opening the additional business of adult (recreational) sales at their facility, which could benefit people and the community. Kym shared that the city had received two letters from landlords outside the city objecting to marihuana facilities in the city. Becky Woodworth, a tenant manager for one of the landlords, was present and said she was present seeking information on adult sales, regulation, and a concern from a tenant. Evidently a tenant was concerned about a marihuana facility being nearby that her children could walk by. It was shared that all facilities are vented, so there should be no smell from them for pedestrians walking by. Access is regulated and monitored. With no further discussion, Christine closed the Public Hearing at 7:32.

Christine opened a Public Hearing to consider a Special Land Use permit for an MMFLA Class C facility at 111 Enterprise Drive by BBC-Agriculture at 7:33. Tom Beste was present to answer any questions about the proposed new facility. Blueprints were shared. He did say product is sent to a state facility from here, not directly to retail/provisioning centers. Processes are approved. He did say this rural area is safer to establish a facility than some other areas in the state. Chuck made a motion, seconded by Chad, to close the Public Hearing at 7:50. Motion carried 6-0. The regular meeting was reopened by Christine.

NEW BUSINESS: Betty made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve a Special Land Use permit for Provisioning Center at 124 S. Main Street by JABBS-BCC. On a roll call vote the motion carried 5-1 with Christine voting nay.

Chad made a motion, seconded by Betty, to approve a Special Land Use permit for an MMFLA Class C facility at 111 Enterprise Drive by BBC-Agriculture. On a roll call vote the motion carried 6-0.

Chad made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve an MMFLA Class C Grower Application for BBC-Agriculture at 111 Enterprise Drive. This recommendation will move on to the City Council who will also have to approve. Motion carried 6-0.

Emma made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to recommend to City Council an MRTMA Retail Establishment permit by JABBS LLC at 124 S. Main Street. Motion carried 6-0.

Chad made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve an MMFLA Class A Grower Application for JABBS LLC on Enterprise Drive. Motion carried 6-0.

After determining the September meeting date, Chad made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve the 2020 Planning Commission meeting schedule. Motion carried 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS: Chad reviewed changes to the Planning Commission's by-laws that were needed. One additional adjustment was made. Chuck made a motion, seconded by Betty, to approve the new revised Planning Commission by-laws as presented and reviewed. Motion carried 6-0.

Business on the Master Plan was tabled for now.

COMPLIANCE PERMITS: None.

Christine closed the meeting at 8:44. Meeting adjourned.