

# Planning Commission



## Minutes of the Thursday, August 18, 2016 Regular Meeting

### *Members of the Planning Commission*

Woods Burnett

*Chairman*

Leonard Carter, Jr.

Bob Clark

Timothy V. Key

JoAnn McKie

Larry Watts

Briton Williams

1. **Call to Order** – The regular meeting of August 18, 2016, having been duly publicized, was called to order by Chairman Woods Burnett at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call** – Members present were Chairman Burnett and Commissioners Bob Clark, JoAnn McKie and Briton Williams. Commissioner Tim Key joined the meeting immediately after roll call at 7:01 p.m. Commissioners Len Carter and Larry Watts were absent. Also in attendance were Scott Sterling, AICP, Director of Planning and Development; Christine DeCamp, AICP, Planner; the applicant's representatives; and the press.
3. **Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 16, 2016 were approved as written.
4. **Confirmation of Agenda** – There were no changes to the agenda.
5. **Application RZM 16-002** – A request by WTC Enterprises, LLC, representing Neeraj K. Sharma Gifting Trust, to rezone ±3.75 acres of land located at the intersection of Edgefield Road and Walnut Lane, Tax Parcel Number 010-14-04-014, from PD, Planned Development to GC, General Commercial. A Planning Commission recommendation to City Council is required.

**Public Hearing** – Chairman Burnett briefly reviewed the Commission's public participation guidelines and opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Mr. Sterling reviewed the application as outlined in Staff Report RZM 16-002.

Jim Price, 107 Flowing Well Road, Wagener, SC from WTC Enterprises, LLC, the applicant's representative, briefly reviewed the map amendment request, the staff report and the applicant's intention to market the property for future commercial development.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Burnett closed the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

**Consideration of Application RZM 16-002** – Commissioners discussed the 1986 property annexation, development restrictions on PD-zoned properties, the general intent of the proposed rezoning, and current and future redevelopment in the general vicinity of the subject property.

**Commissioner Key moved to recommend that the City Council approve the request by WTC Enterprises, LLC, representing Neeraj K. Sharma Gifting Trust, to rezone ±3.75 acres of land located at the intersection of Edgefield Road and Walnut Lane, Tax Parcel Number 010-14-04-014, from PD, Planned Development to GC, General Commercial.**

**Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.**

6. **Staff Reports** – Mr. Sterling:

- Referenced the July monthly report included in the Commission agenda packet.
- Reminded Commissioners that the SC and GA chapters of the American Planning Association will hold a joint conference in Augusta on September 21-23. Commissioners will have the opportunity to obtain their three hours of required annual continuing education at this conference and an email detailing the conference offerings will be emailed to Commissioners within the next few days.
- Stated that Stantec, the City's comprehensive plan update consultant, is making final revisions and also developing a calendar for dissemination of the plan to the public.

7. **Adjourn** – With no objection, Chairman Burnett adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Sterling, AICP, Director  
Department of Planning and Development  
Secretary to the Planning Commission