

City of Sachse, Texas
Planning and Zoning Commission

Minutes of the Pre-Meeting of Monday, November 14, 2005

Time: 7:00 PM Place: Sachse City Hall

Members Present:

Mark Durbin
Bob Boswell
Ed Stelnicki
Charles Sprague
Bill Siebert
Jo James Johnston
David Lay
Kola Anifowoshe

Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Munal Faruqi, Community Development
Director

Hal Jones, TRC

Others Present:

Councilwoman Pat McMillan, P&Z Liaison

Mark Durbin opened the meeting, and a quorum was declared.

Item #1: Minutes of October 10, 2005

A motion was made by Charles Sprague to accept the minutes as submitted. Ed Stelnicki seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Item #2: Public Hearing: Consider amendment to Zoning Ordinance to provide a provision for all seven members of the commission to vote including chairperson.

Munal Mauladad-Faruqi opened the Public Hearing item. The Zoning Ordinance currently states that the chairperson shall not vote except to cast a deciding vote in the event of a tie. The proposed amendment will allow the chairperson to officially cast a vote on any item. This would modify section 11-3 (A) (5) of the zoning ordinance. Jo James Johnston thought that this had already been reviewed previously in the Charter Review. Ed Stelnicki concurred. Pat McMillan addresses the P & Z Members stating that on the City Council all seven members vote including the chairman. More discussion followed. A motion was made by Charles Sprague in favor of adopting the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. Ed Stelnicki seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Item #3 Public Hearing: Consider amendment to the Subdivision Ordinance regarding sight distance requirements.

Munal Mauladad- Faruqi opened the Public Hearing item . Currently, the zoning ordinance does not have a clause to protect incoming and outgoing traffic at intersections for safety reasons. Munal turns meeting over to Hal Jones. Hal Jones, City Engineer, explained that currently the ordinance does not address sight distance requirements. Hal Jones discusses the table that can be found in the Transportation Engineering Handbook. The handbook is a reference tool for engineers. Hal Jones discusses that with future growth of major thoroughfares and minor arterial streets the need for the sight distance requirements. This ordinance addresses sight distance requirements where the current ordinance does not. More discussion followed. Charles Sprague made a motion to approve the amendment to the Subdivision Ordinance regarding sight distance Jo James Johnston seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.


Secretary


Chairman