

# **MINUTES OF THE ALBERT LEA PLANNING COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting  
October 5, 2021  
5:30 pm – City Center

Chairman Lucas Schuster called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Wyeth Anderson  
Jared Dawson  
Matt Dorman  
Lucas Schuster, Chairman

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Wyeth Anderson  
Larry Baker – Ex Officio  
Colby Cunningham  
Chuck Paczowski  
Steve Thompson

## **STAFF PRESENT**

Megan Boeck, City Planner

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Anderson and second by Schuster to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Dorman and second by Anderson to approve the September 7, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **a. Conditional Use Permit for 750 Front Street East**

Schuster opened the hearing to the public at 5:47 pm.

Boeck explained that Albert Lea Apartments LLC has applied for a Conditional Use Permit to develop a 3.41-acre property at 750 Front Street East – known locally as the Blazing Star Landing. Boeck reviewed the staff report presented. The first phase of the proposed project

include 48-units of multifamily housing, 15 garage stalls, parking, open space and proper stormwater retention. Two additional phases of multifamily development are expected on the remaining east portion of the property if phase one is successful. Boeck also stated that a development and purchase agreement has been executed in relation to the sale and development of the property with a closing date scheduled for October 15, 2021.

Schuster closed the hearing to the public at 6:03pm.

Motion by Anderson and second by Dorman to recommend to City Council the approval of a Conditional Use Permit for 750 Front Street East with the following conditions:

- 1) Proper maintenance of greenspace and paved parking areas.
- 2) No parking or storage of any unlicensed and/or inoperable vehicles.

Motion carried on a 4-0 voiced vote.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

#### **COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION**

The board discussed the possibility of future ordinances pertaining to tiny housing.

#### **STAFF COMMUNICATION**

None.

Motion by Anderson and second by Schuster to adjourn the meeting at 6:10pm. Motion carried.

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Cierra Maras, Planning Commission Secretary

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Lucas Schuster, Chairman