MEETING MINUTES
PLAN COMMISSION
Wednesday, February 09, 2011
7:00 P.M.
Evanston Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Members Present: Scott Peters (Chair), David Galloway (Vice Chair), Stuart Opdycke, Kwesi Steele, Richard Shure, Seth Freeman, Patricia Ledesma
Larry Widmayer (Associate)

Members Absent: Lenny Asaro

Staff Present: Dennis Marino, Craig Sklenar, Dominick Argumedo, Ken Cox

Presiding Member: Scott Peters, Vice Chairman

1. CALL TO ORDER / DECLARATION OF QUORUM

With a quorum present, Chairman Peters called the meeting to order at 7:05P.M.

2. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 12, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Galloway motioned for approval of the January 12 meeting minutes with exception of Item 5 concerning the Zoning Map Amendment. City staff will review transcripts and amend the January meeting minutes accordingly.
Commissioner Opdycke Seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as written.

3. ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT 10PLND-0065

Discussion continued on the proposed downtown zoning text amendments.

Dominick Argumedo, Zoning Planner and Craig Sklenar, General Planner, presented the staff comments and proposed changes as a result of the January Plan Commission meeting and further evaluation and review of the proposed document.

Plan Commission members debated the proposed revisions. Discussion was held concerning the flexibility of approval of all public benefit bonuses. Commissioners

Public Comment was received and considered in final revisions to the proposed update.

Commissioner Opdycke motioned to approve the text amendments subject to the changes proposed at the February meeting.

Commissioner Freeman Seconded the motion.
A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.
Commissioner Ledesma motioned to amend any Zoning Code references to specific existing Downtown or Research Park zoning districts.

Commissioner Shure Seconded the motion.
A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

4. **ZONING MAP AMENDMENT** 10PLND-0109

Craig Sklenar, General Planner, sought discussion and questions concerning the proposed Map Amendment. No discussion or questions were raised pertaining to the proposed map amendment at this time.

Commissioner Ledesma motioned to approve the Zoning map Amendment as proposed. Commissioner Galloway seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

5. **2011 ELECTIONS OF PLAN COMMISSION OFFICERS**

Chairman Peters talked to all current members serving as representatives on the current committees would like to continue their positions:

- Stuart Opdycke: Liaison to Housing and Community Development Act Committee
- Seth Freeman: Liaison to Economic Development Committee
- Dave Galloway: Liaison to Parking and Transportation Committee

Chairman Peters, Stuart Opdycke and Patricia Ledesma have volunteered to staff the Rules Committee of the Plan Commission.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There is no longer a chair for the Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee due to Commissioner Meyer’s departure from the Plan Commission. The subcommittee will address this issue at the next meeting they convene.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Opdycke motions to adjourn
Associate Commissioner Widmayer Seconded the Motion.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:20 PM

The next meeting of the Plan Commission will be **Wednesday, March 9, 2011** at 7:00 P.M., Evanston Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue, Council Chambers.

Respectfully Submitted,
Craig D. Sklenar, AICP
General Planner, Community and Economic Development Department