I. CALL TO ORDER / DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Call to order at 7:05 PM

II. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 13 MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Widmayer moves to approve January 13 Minutes
Commissioner Shure seconds the motion.
Minutes pass unanimously.

III. ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 09PLND-0085

- (Continuation of Discussion from 11/11/09 Plan Commission meeting. NO ACTION) Amendment of the zoning map as part of the implementation of the Downtown Plan Update, adopted by the City Council on February 9, 2009. The subject properties are those that currently are not designated to be within the boundaries of any of the future Downtown zoning districts that were recommended by the Downtown Plan Update.

- (Agenda Item held open for discussion, NO ACTION) Amendment of the zoning map as part of the implementation of the Downtown Plan Update, adopted by the City Council on February 9, 2009. The subject properties are those designated by the Downtown Plan Update to be rezoned to the proposed Residential-Downtown Transition District (RD-1, RD-2, RD-3). The identified properties are currently zoned a variety of districts.

Mr Argumedo updated the Commission on the rezoning of the orphaned block currently zoned D3. His report to the Commission was to pursue keeping the zoning as is however moving the zone designation to another chapter that would allow this area to keep allowable zoning for the properties in place since no other zone in the code appropriately provided for all uses on that block that currently exist as of right. Mr. Argumedo also stated that the North Orphan block should be wrapped into the downtown zoning area and pursuant to a conversation with the consultants of the downtown plan that it should be zoned DT2.
IV. DOWNTOWN ZONING IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

V. NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM GRANT

Mr Sklenar presented the overall program of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP2) to the Plan Commission. Questions were raised on timing, how the funds were to be distributed and how project work would be awarded to sub-contractors. Mr. Sklenar explained that until the grant award is signed much of these issues are still up in the air but the City of Evanston is committed to making the process fair and transparent. Commissioner Galloway expressed concern of using money to ensure that not only houses were rehabilitated but that the streets were also looked at in these areas of need.

VI. EVANSTON PLAN2030 UPDATE

Mr Sklenar and the Plan Commission arranged a time to meet to have the Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee meet to discuss the next steps in launching the Comprehensive Plan. Time was set for 730AM Thursday February 18.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee Reports

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Opdycke Motions for Adjournment
Commissioner Galloway Seconds the Motion.

Plan Commission Adjourns at 7:40 PM.

The next regular Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010 at 7pm in the Civic Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

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