

CITY OF WACONIA
September 1, 2022

1) [Call meeting to order and roll call](#)

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Waconia was called to order by Robert Grohmann at 6:30 p.m

Members Present: Zellman, Sarcletti, Grohmann, Leshner, Ludford

Members Absent: Sherman

Alternate: Ludford - Present

Staff Present: Braaten, Nelson, Meyerhoff, Havlik

City Liaison: Sorensen - Present

2) [Adopt Agenda](#)

No changes to the agenda.

Motion by Sarcletti, seconded by Ludford to approve the agenda as presented. All present voted aye. Motion carried

3) [Minutes Approval](#)

July 7th, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Ludford, second by Sarcletti to approve the July 7, 2022, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

[July 7 2022 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

4) New Business

[PUBLIC HEARING - Airport Road Addition Preliminary and Final Plat](#)

Lane introduced the public hearing submitted by Carver County and the Kirsch Family. Showing the area for the public hearing. He laid out the boundaries. Id the 14 parcels for the corridor. No development is proposed just identifying the parcels for a land swap for the right-of-way. Airport Road cuts through the bottom third. Looking at swapping of parcels.

Grohmann opened the public hearing.

John Findley – resident - 9135 Airport Road

Comments and concerns:

- He has a large water feature / landscaping which would have to be moved where the roundabout is planned.

Planned.

-The speed limit concerns with the road through the roundabout.

Tom Justin – resident – 947 Firesteed Ridge Vice President of the HOA

Comments and concerns:

-Stating that not all homeowners weren't notified of the plans

-Speed limits on Airport Rd. East of Target

-When is the road set to be completed

Joe Drapcho – resident – 951 Firesteed Ridge President of the HOA

Comments and concerns

-Wondering why the roads don't line up North and South when intersected with Hwy 5.

Luke Kranz– Carver County Surveyor.

Explained how the project came together with platting the property out.

Confirmed that there is no date to go ahead with development.

The County does preliminary design which will get public input before anything is finalized.

Misc comments:

Grohmann summarized what was said with clarification from Braaten.

Zellman motioned to close the public hearing, Second by Leshner. All present voted Aye. **Motion Passed**

Leshner motioned to approve the Preliminary and final plat of Airport Road addition, Sarcletti seconded the motion. All present voted aye. **Motion carried.**

Braaten stated that it will go in front of council on the September 19th meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING - After-the-Fact Variance request by Gregory & Kelly Payette

Braaten explained the after the fact request for hard cover variance. He reviewed the survey of the residence and showing the hard surface is exceeding the 35% maximum. Stating it is a variance request.

Grohman opened the public hearing

Greg Payette – resident – 144 Maple Terrace

Comments and concerns

-Discussed the city web site that the ordinance isn't spelled out and hard to find

-Explained that he is asking for a variance for 1.1% overage.

-Mr. Payette got up and spoke about history that got to where it is today.

Conversation continued between Planning commissioners and Mr. Payette regarding his request.

Ludford motioned to close the public hearing Lesher seconded it. All in favor aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioners discussed impervious pavers and if 1% is worth talking about. Is it setting a precedence for the whole development, and because it is after the fact should it matter. With discussion Mr Payette

Motion by Grohmann, second by Ludford. Vote totals were 2 aye and 3 no's.

Motion denied.

It will be brought to Council on the 19th with a denial motion in place.

[Lake Waconia Regional Park - Waterfront Services Building UPDATE](#)

Braaten introduced Marty Walsh. Marty did an overview for the new Carver Park Regional Building with slides.

Marty went through the slides explaining the master plan.

Going through the overall site plan.

Explaining everything from landscaping to building materials used.

Doing a broad-brush approach. Everything from rental of rooms to food service areas.

Very descriptive about the interior areas.

Sarcletti asked about the picnic tables moveable or permanent. Also, about having free standing concession stands. Will there be rentals in the winter. More to come on that it has been discussed.

Classes will take place as well.

Robert asked about the old building anything being done. Nothing so far.

Ludford asked about the island what is going on now and future ideas. Docks are on order, coming shortly. Possibly camping sites and storage areas for maintaining the island.

Actively working on a monument sign.

Looking at grant funding to move forward with work on the Island.

Old Business

No staff reports prepared for the meeting.

Kwik Trip broke ground

VFW has started with the remodel.

Legion renovation is starting shortly.

Motion to adjourn by Lesher, second by Ludford

Adjourn

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Work Session

Ordinance Amendment Discussion regarding Minor Subdivisions, Lot Combinations and the Chicken and Bee License.