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# **Statesboro Planning Commission** August 4, 2020 5:00 P.M. **City Hall Council Chamber Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Planning Commission members: Sean Fox, Jamey Cartee, Russell Rosengart, Carlos Brown Jr. and Benjamin McKay; City of Statesboro Staff: Kathleen Field (Director of Planning & Development), and Justin Williams (City Planner I); Absent: James W. Byrd, Sr., Mary Foreman

#### I. Call to Order

Commissioner McKay called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

#### II. **Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance**

Commissioner McKay led in the invocation & pledge.

#### III. **Approval of Minutes**

1.) July 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the July 7, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Cartee. The motion carried 5-0.

#### **New Business** IV.

#### 1. **APPLICATION RZ 20-07-01:**

Larry T. Douglas requests a zoning map amendment of 0.18 acres of property located at 849 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive from R-6 (Single-Family Residential) to the CR (Commercial Retail) zoning district in order to utilize the property for commercial purposes (Tax Parcel S17 000030 000).

Kathleen Field introduced RZ 20-07-01 and the applicant was not present. Mrs. Field additionally explained the desire of the applicant to combine the parcel under consideration with the adjacent parcel for a commercial use. Commissioner Fox specified that he had no questions. Commissioner Brown requested clarification that the applicant did not need to verify his use in order to receive the zoning map amendment. Mrs. Field informed him that the applicant did not have to verify. Commissioner Cartee asked if the

applicant intended to maintain the property as is for a commercial use. Mrs. Field informed him that the desire was to demolish both building for a larger use on the parcel.

Commissioner Cartee made a motion to recommend approval of RZ 20-07-01 with staff conditions. Commissioner Fox seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

### V. Announcements

Mrs. Field announced the finalized time for the upcoming Planning Commissioner training, which will take place on August  $26^{th}$ .

## VI. Adjourn

Commissioner Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Cartee seconded, and the motion carried 6-0.

Acting Chair – Benjamin McKay

Secretary – Kathleen Field

Director of Planning & Development