

**LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY
DECEMBER 8, 2010**

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 p.m. Board members present were: Chair Mimi Turin, Vice-Chair Philip Busey, and Tom Jacob. Also present were Attorney Tom Moss (arrived 8:40 p.m.), Deputy Planning and Zoning Manager David Abramson, Planner Ingrid Allen, and Board Secretary Janet Gale recording the meeting. Ken DeArmas and Ken Farkas were absent.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 10, 2010

Vice-Chair Busey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jacob, to approve the minutes of November 10, 2010. In a voice vote, with Messrs. DeArmas and Farkas being absent, all voted in favor. **(Motion carried 3-0)**

3. PUBLIC HEARING

- 3.1 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 12 LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, SECTION 12-34(HH). STANDARDS ENUMERATED, AMENDING THE HOURS OF OPERATION FOR RECYCLING, SCRAP METAL PROCESSING AND AUTOMOBILE WRECKING YARD ACTIVITIES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. ZB(TXT) 10-2-10

Michael Manes, representing the petitioner, was present.

Mr. Abramson summarized the planning report. He explained that the hours of operation referred to a nuisance issue and would be required to meet the Code.

Mr. Manes agreed that the change benefitted everybody and was here to answer any questions.

Vice-Chair Busey agreed that the change made more sense.

Chair Turin asked if anyone wished to speak for or against this item. As no one spoke, she closed the public hearing.

Mr. Jacob made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Busey, to approve. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Chair Turin – no; Vice-Chair Busey – yes; Mr. DeArmas – absent; Mr. Farkas – absent; Mr. Jacob – yes. **(Motion carried 3-0)**

- 3.2 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 12, LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY ADDING SECTION 12-433, THE TOWN OF DAVIE THEMATIC HISTORIC DISTRICT AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE; SECTION 12-433.1, PURPOSE; SECTION 12-433.2 THEMATIC HISTORIC DISTRICT; SECTION 12-433.3, DEFINITIONS; SECTION 12-433.4, HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE; SECTION 12-433.5, ADVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. ZB(TXT) 11-1-10

Ms. Allen advised that the Town Council had directed staff to bring forward an ordinance that would create a Town historic district to include Town Hall, Old Davie School, Bergeron Rodeo Arena & Grounds (includes the Huck Liles property) and the Davie Women's Club. She indicated that although the Saint Pius X Church had been offered the opportunity to be in the Thematic Historic District, the attorney for the church had declined the proposal. He advised that the church would be up for sale and by having the designation of a historic district, it would be an obstacle in selling the property. The ordinance provided the groundwork for protecting the sites that were considered locally significant to the Town's history.

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Mr. Jacob asked what the ultimate goal was for making this designation. Ms. Allen speculated that eventually, grants may be obtained to preserve the district. Mr. Jacob understood that there were plans to widen Orange Drive and asked about the impact that would have on the Davie Women's Club. Mr. Abramson responded that it was the Town's proposal to "improve" the scenic corridor between University Drive and Davie Road, not necessarily widen Orange Drive. Ms. Allen added that the president of the Davie Women's Club had been trying to get their building in the Historical Register and felt that by being in the Thematic Historic District, it would help their cause.

Vice-Chair Busey expressed his concern that more of a burden would be created for the Town Council and that perhaps an outside group such as an independent historical commission or an appointed committee could carry that burden. Ms. Allen responded that with the exception of the Women's Club, the properties were owned by the Town. She added that since two of the Council members were active members of the Women's Club, they felt well represented.

Ms. Allen explained that this was a "baby step" in establishing something historic. She went through the three criteria for establishing something as historic and this proposal fell under "local significance." She affirmed that it would make it harder to destroy a site which had that designation.

Chair Turin asked if anyone wished to speak for or against this item. As no one spoke, the public hearing was closed.

Vice-Chair Busey indicated that he could not support this and wondered what kind of message to send to Council. He believed history was important and there needed to be a way to do it right. Be it an independent committee which would be empowered to "call some of the shots," as well as a method of application and review. Vice-Chair Busey suggested that they look into what other municipalities have done to be successful examples.

Ms. Allen indicated that staff had researched other local municipalities which had gone through the process for historical homes and it was the Council's directive to bring something forward and they would "tweak" it. She concurred that in other municipalities there were typically a variety of people with appropriate backgrounds which comprised independent historical groups. Ms. Allen suggested that if it was the Agency's preference, to include the recommendation in a motion.

Vice-Chair Busey reiterated that he was in favor of "an independent third body to do this with some teeth in it; otherwise, he was not supportive."

Mr. Jacob made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Busey, to deny. In a roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Chair Turin – no; Vice-Chair Busey – yes; Mr. DeArmas – absent; Mr. Farkas – absent; Mr. Jacob – yes. **(Motion carried 2-1 which meant an automatic tabling to the next meeting on January 12, 2011)**

4. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

5. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed.

6. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS

There were no comments and/or suggestions made.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Date Approved: _____

Chair/Agency Member