

***BOROUGH OF CARLISLE
PLANNING COMMISSION***

Meeting Minutes - March 26, 2015

Members in Attendance: Tim Tilton, Justin Smith, Christian Muniz.

Borough Officials in Attendance: Bruce Koziar, Planning/Zoning/Codes Manager and Mark Malarich, Public Works Director.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Items Reviewed by the Planning Commission:

1. The Planning Commission considered recommending approval to revise and update the UM (Urban Mixed Use Zoning District) along with certain changes in Article XXV, Off Street Parking and Loading.

Bruce Koziar explained that Sean Garrigan of Stromberg Garrigan and Associates, Inc., submitted a few minor revisions (attached) to the proposed ordinance.

Justin Smith expressed concern with Section G – Hours of Operation and asked what other districts allow for a 24-hour operation. Bruce Koziar replied that he was not sure and would research this question and get back to Justin.

Justin further questioned the use of “vertical” wall in this section. It was suggested that term “common” wall be used. Bruce will contact the Borough’s solicitor and Mr. Garrigan regarding this issue and let the Planning Commission know his findings.

Conclusion: The Planning Commission, upon motion by Christian Muniz and second by Justin Smith, recommended that Council approved the recommended changes to the proposed ordinance.

2. Opportunity for the Planning Commission member to discuss items of concern not listed on the agenda.
 - Justin Smith said his office at the County Planning Commission was contacted by Fire Chief Snyder regarding the name of Carlisle Spring Road. There is some confusion as to the “official” name of this roadway and concern with the large gap between the numbering of the houses along this roadway.

Mark Malarich stated that the Borough is working with the Borough Solicitor regarding this issue.

- Christian Muniz asked about the article in The Sentinel regarding downtown businesses possibly renting parking spaces in front of their establishment to provide areas for outside dining. Mr. Muniz thinks this is a great idea.

Bruce Koziar stated that this is a program that the Borough is actively looking into. However; he's not sure this is something that will be done this season.

There being no further items on the agenda, the Planning Commission adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Bruce Koziar
Planning/Zoning/Codes Manager

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