

**ROSEMOUNT PORT AUTHORITY & PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 16, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Rosemount Port Authority and Planning Commission was held on February 16, 2021, at 5:01 p.m. virtually via Zoom.

Chair Weisensel called the meeting to order with Port Authority Commissioners Droste, Freske, Block, Ober, Wolf in attendance. Planning Commissioners present included Kenninger, Freeman, Reed and Marlow. Staff present included Executive Director Martin, Deputy Director Lindquist, Economic Development Coordinator Van Oss and City Clerk Fasbender.

Not present, Planning Commissioner John Schmisek. Port Authority Commissioner Essler arrived at 5:04 p.m.

Guests present included Jay Demma and John Slack of Perkins & Will

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

Motion by Weisensel **Second** by Wolf

Motion to Adopt the Agenda.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ober **Second** by Wolf

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda

Ayes: Droste, Ober, Weisensel, Freske, Wolf

Nays: 0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

4.a. Project Updates

Economic Development Coordinator Eric Van Oss briefly noted a few project updates. A potential brewery has been interested in a site within the Biscayne Business Park. The Clover liquor license has been approved and will be opening soon. Staff met with Kraus-Anderson about a potential infill development within the parking lot of Cub Foods, however KA noted that lease restrictions required by CUB do not allow a freestanding building due to parking and visibility concerns. Staff also noted the number of grants to Rosemount Businesses from Dakota County.

NEW BUSINESS

5.a. 2021 Building Vacancy and Land Discussion

Economic Development Coordinator Eric Van Oss provided high level overview of a vacancy analysis. Most of the vacant space is located in areas that are not as desirable for the type businesses the City wants to attract. There is limited space, a lack of end-caps, and few areas with

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outdoor/patio space. Staff will continue to focus working with potential developers to talk about building more retail space..

6. COMMERCIAL VISIONING ACTIVITY

Jay Demma and John Slack of Perkins & Will were present for the last joint session for the Port Authority and Planning Commission for comments on sites 5 (County Road 42/Highway 3) and site 1 (Highway 52/County Road 42). The intent is for Perkins & Will to take the comments and create renderings to make these sites more marketable.

Deputy Director Lindquist reminded commissioners the next time staff and commissioners see the imagery will be the final step and staff will not be asking for modifications.

Commissioners made a note that there are several concerns not yet captured; i.e. connectivity to downtown, gathering spaces, small town feel and trail connections. Perkins & Will informed commissioners the intent is to capture Rosemount's principles and values in these final illustrations.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Weisensel expressed gratitude to the Port Authority and Planning Commissioners for being a part of the commercial visioning effort over the last several months.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None

REPORTS FROM PORT AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS

None

COMMUNITY/AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

Joshua Morrison was presented and submitted comments via Zoom regarding transit suggestions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Port Authority and upon a motion by Block second by Freske the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Fasbender,
City Clerk