

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES February 23, 2023 Approved: March 30, 2023

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Houston Planning and Zoning Commission was held on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 13878 W. Armstrong Rd, Houston, Alaska. Chair Meister called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### II. ROLL CALL

## Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

- Chair- Deb Meister
- Vice Chair- Shanie Heger
- Commissioner- Jon Siivola\*
- Commissioner- David Roberts\*

#### Commissioner absent was:

None

# City of Houston Staff and Officials in Attendance:

- Rebecca Rein- City Clerk
- George Thompson Public Works Director

# III. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

There was no invocation. Vice Chair Heger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**MOTION**: Chair Meister moved to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda of February 23, 2023.

**DISCUSSION:** There was no discussion.

ACTION: APPROVED

**YES:** Meister, Heger, Siivola, Roberts (4)

**NO:** NONE (0)

# **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no public comments.

<sup>\*</sup>Participated telephonically



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## VI. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

No special orders.

#### VII. REPORTS

- 1. Mayor's Report No report was provided.
- 2. Clerk's Report Spoken report about City Hall being very busy. Stated that Mayor is in Juneau in government meetings. Spoke about the BearPaw CIP.
- 3. Chair's Report No report was provided.
- **4. Public Works Report** A verbal report was provided. Gave road condition update, as well as people having interest in bringing new businesses to City of Houston.
- **5.** Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Report There were no members present to give a report.
- 6. Land Use Advisory Committee
- 7. MSB Planning Commission There were no members present to give report.

## VIII. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Clerk's Note: There will be Minutes available at the March 30, 2023 meeting.

## IX. PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

There were no persons to be heard.

# X. PUBLIC HEARING:

There was no public hearing.

## XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

There was no Committee Of The Whole.

### XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no unfinished business.



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#### XIII. NEW BUSINESS:

1) Resolution 23-PC-01 - A Resolution of the Houston Planning & Zoning Commission forwarding recommendations to the Houston City Council on the draft ordinance titled "An Ordinance of the City of Houston, Alaska to Amend Houston Municipal Code Chapter 8.09; Noise Control; To Add Specifications And Definitions," as referred by the City Clerk for comment.

Motion: Chair Meister moved to accept the Resolution.

**Discussion:** a brief discussion ensued.

**ACTION**: Approved

YES:

Meister, Heger, Siivola, Roberts (4)

NO: NONE (0)

2) Resolution 23-PC-02: A Resolution of the Houston Planning & Zoning Commission supporting improved transportation connectivity between Anchorage and the Matanuska Susitna Valley via the Port Mackenzie Rail Extension and the Knik Arm Crossing as outlined in the current City of Houston comprehensive plan and supported by the City through decades of legislation.

Motion: Chair Meister made motion to approve Resolution 23-PC-02.

**Discussion:** Discussion ensued.

**ACTION:** Approved

**YES**: Meister, Heger, Siivola, Roberts (4)

NO: NONE (0)

## **XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no public comments.

#### XV. COMMISSION AND COMMISSION STAFF COMMENTS

- Chair Meister Spoke about the Meeting Calendar for 2023.
- Vice Chair Heger No comments.
- Commissioner Roberts No comments.
- Commissioner Siivola- Asked to be kept informed via email.
- Public Works Director Thompson- Let Commissioners know to contact him with any questions.
- City Clerk Rein- No comments.

# XVI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Chair Meister moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

**DISCUSSION**: There was no discussion.

**VOTE**: There were none opposed, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Deb Meister, Chair

ATTEST:

Marilyn Bell, Deputy City Clerk