

**City of Franklin**  
**Comprehensive Master Plan**  
**Update**  
**Project Committee/Plan**  
**Commission Meeting**

**CALL TO ORDER**

- I. Mayor Taylor called the regular meeting of the Project Committee of April 12, 2007, to order at 7:00 pm in the Hearing Room of Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin. Present were Alderman Skowronski, Commissioners Bennett, Hanneman, and Ritter. Commissioners Haley and Torres were excused. Also present was City staff, Mr. Dietl, Planning Dept., and members of the public.

**MINUTES**

**Regular meeting of March 15, 2007**

- II. A. Alderman Skowronski moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Project Committee of Thursday, March 15, 2007 with the insertion of the word 'sanitary' to be included and read as 'sanitary sewers' throughout. Motion carried.

**BUSINESS**

**Discuss status of, and next steps for, the proposed Land Division/Public Sanitary Sewer and Water Service/Future Land Use Policy for the southwestern portion of the City.**

- III. B. Mayor Taylor and Joel Dietl, Planning Manager, recapped and explained Common Council meeting of April 2, 2007, discussion and comments.  
  
Joel Dietl, Planning Manager, further reported and discussed additional information relating to larger lot sizes, sanitary sewer service and land use for the southwestern portion of the City.  
  
Jack Bennett, City Engineer, discussed administrative/hearing process, code changes and compliance, and UDO overlay district zoning. Continued discussion by Commissioners.  
  
Mayor Taylor provided additional information relating to rezoning and future sanitary sewers for the area and further discussion regarding proposed lot sizes and land use with Commissioners.  
  
Commissioners discussed changing R-3 to R-2 zoning, proposing Staff to draft overlay zoning and then set hearing date. Further discussion regarding the importance of keeping map colors consistent to avoid confusion.

**Discuss timing of tasks to be undertaken and that have been completed by the consultants PDI and Planning Staff.**

- C. Joel Dietl, Planning Manager, reported PDI is reviewing chapters they have done before; staff is working on the land-use inventory for the entire city.  
  
Discussion on direction of GIS system land use, zoning and actual use designations; updating changes and tracking trends to comply with the Smart Growth law.  
  
Commissioner Ritter requested a future agenda item for a time-line from PDI on what else needs to be done; also looking for input on time-line from Joel Dietl, Planning Manger.

**Discuss the possible addition to future Plan Commission and Project Committee agendas of an agenda item to allow for the discussion of the status of current planning projects in the Department of City Development and status of planning tasks such as a sign ordinance.**

- D. Discussion on adding current Planning/City Development projects to future agendas. Joel Dietl, Planning Manager and Doug Wheaton, Director of City Development have discussed this issue and strongly suggest input from the City Attorney; wording could suggest discussion of a range of items under a blanket agenda topic, which may not be recommended by the City Attorney. Mayor Taylor referred to the ICC agendas having a line item asking for future items to be added to the next agenda. As discussed previously, Project Committee members can propose topics to staff to be added to an agenda.

Mayor Taylor expanded discussion into the topic of the sign ordinance,

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and explained process is currently slowed because of further review issues and the Department overburden of projects. Commissioner Ritter suggested working on sign ordinance issues and amendments relating to current issues when necessary and working on the remake of the all-encompassing sign ordinance when time allows. Also Development/Planning Department communicating to Project Committee current work activities that can be placed on agenda for discussion when there is a shorter agenda.

**Public input**

- E. Kari and Donald Brickler (9660 W. Ryan Rd.) spoke about their property on Ryan Rd. Explained history of effort to get sewer service. Want to build on property and need sewer service to build; would accept mound system if that is all that is available.

Alderman Skowronski will look into finding out if lots of record (less than 3 acres) could receive approval for development under this pre-sewer policy and will also check with the City Attorney.

**Announcement: Next Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 10, 2007.**

- F. No action needed; none taken.

**Adjournment**

- IV. Commissioner Ritter moved and Commissioner Hanneman seconded the motion to adjourn the April 12, 2007, meeting of the Project Committee at 8:45 pm. Motion carried.