

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 28, 2016**

APPROVED

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

CITY OF BEDFORD §

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in Work Session at 6:30 p.m. and Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2000 Forest Ridge Drive, Bedford, Texas on the 28th day of July, 2016 with the following members present:

Chairman: Todd Carlson

Vice Chairman: Mickey Hall

Members: Tom Stroope
 Bill Reese
 Michael Davis

Constituting a quorum.

Staff present included:

Emilio Sanchez	Planning Manager
Kristtina Starnes	Planning & Zoning Coordinator
Bill Syblon	Director of Economic Development

(The following items were considered in accordance with the official agenda posted by July 22, 2016).

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Hall called the Work Session to order at 6:46 p.m.

WORK SESSION

The Commission and Staff reviewed and discussed items on the regular agenda.

Chairman Carlson adjourned the Work Session at 6:58 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission convened in the Council Chamber at 7:00 p.m. and the Regular Session began.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Carlson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Davis gave the invocation.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Consider approval of the following Planning and Zoning Commission meeting minutes: July 14, 2016 regular meeting**

Motion: Chairman Carlson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the July 14, 2016 regular meeting.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioner Davis and Vice Chairman Hall

Nays: None

Abstention: Commissioners Reese, Stroope, and Chairman Carlson

Motion approved 2-0-3. Chairman Carlson declared the July 14, 2016 meeting minutes approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 2. Zoning Case PZ 2016-00050024, public hearing and consider a request to rezone Tract 7G, Abstract 860, William H Jasper Survey, and Lot 3R, Block 1, Crossroad East Addition, located at 209 & 401 N. Industrial BLVD, Bedford, Texas from L/SUP Light Commercial/Specific Use Permit to amended L/SUP Light Commercial/Specific Use Permit, specific to Section 3.2.C.4.d, Community Garden of the City of Bedford Zoning Ordinance, allowing for Scott Sheppard and 6 Stones Mission Network/First Baptist Church Eules to increase and expand their community garden amenities. The property is generally located west of Industrial Blvd and north of Airport Freeway. (PZ 2016-00050024)**

Emilio Sanchez, Planning Manager, reviewed zoning case PZ 2016-00050024.

Scott Sheppard, petitioner, 303 Timberlane Terrace, Eules, Texas.

The current community garden at 6Stones has been a great success. Half of the produce grown goes back into their food bank.

There has consistently been a backlog of people on a waiting list who want beds in their community garden. 6Stones wants to expand the garden to meet their needs.

6Stones would like to establish a relationship with the Beautification Committee and Tarrant County Master Gardener program; 6Stones would schedule events with them, which would bring people into the City.

The church occasionally uses the community garden area for picnics, concerts, and other events. With the community garden expansion, they could open it up and host larger events.

Lighting is not permanent; it has been running on a generator. Permanent lighting will only be utilized during events.

6Stones and the adjoining neighborhood have a great relationship. The HOA (Home Owner's Association) and 6Stones work together on events throughout the year.

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The only training facility that the Tarrant County Master Gardener program currently has is located at TCC (Tarrant County College) – South Campus. 6Stones has been working with the Master Gardener program and would like to expand their program through the community garden. The preliminary design for the community garden is a collaborative effort between 6Stones and Master Gardener program.

6Stones would like to work with the Bedford Beautification Committee to teach people how to garden locally rather than across town at TCC – South Campus.

There are currently three sizes of the garden beds. The price ranges from \$30 to \$50 annually. 6Stones provides live earth, water, and seeds (if available). The fee is to help offset some of the cost 6Stones incurs.

There are some trees planted around the perimeter of the existing community garden. They would like to plant more trees, including fruit producing trees, for food and to dress that area up.

Chairman Carlson opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

Chairman Carlson closed the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Reese made a motion to approve zoning case PZ 2016-00050024.

Vice Chairman Hall seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Stroope, Reese, Davis, Chairman Carlson, Vice Chairman Hall

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion approved 5-0-0. Chairman Carlson recommended approval of zoning case PZ 2016-00050024.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Commissioner Stroope made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Reese seconded the motion, and the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Stroope, Reese, Davis, Chairman Carlson, Vice Chairman Hall

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion approved 5-0. Chairman Carlson adjourned the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting at 7:17 p.m.

**Todd Carlson, Chairman
Planning and Zoning Commission**

ATTEST:

**Kristtina Starnes, Coordinator
Planning and Zoning Liaison**