

CITY OF WEST LAFAYETTE
COMMON COUNCIL
PRE-COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 27, 2019

The Common Council of the City of West Lafayette, Indiana, met in the Council Chambers at the Temporary City Hall – Former Happy Hollow Elementary School on June 27, 2019, at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

President Bunder called the meeting to order and presided.

Present: Peter Bunder, Nick DeBoer, Steve Dietrich, and Norris Wang.

Absent: Jonathan Jones, Gerry Kerry, Larry Leverenz, David Sanders, and Gerald Thomas.

Peter Bunder announced that there was not a quorum.

Also present: Mayor John Dennis, Corporation Counsel Eric Burns, Clerk Sana Booker, Street Commissioner Ben Anderson, Facilities Director Tim Clark, Deputy Director of Development Erin Easter, City Engineer Ed Garrison, City Controller Peter Gray, Police Chief Troy Harris, Fire Chief Tim Heath, Parks Superintendent Kathy Lozano, and Building Commissioner Chad Spitznagle.

Note: Due to a lack of a quorum, no official business was transacted, and only informal discussion took place.

President Bunder asked Joe Bumbleburg (Ball Eggleston PC) to discuss Ordinance No. 16-19.

Ordinance No. 16-19 To Amend Certain Portions Of The Unified Zoning Ordinance Of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, Designating The Time When The Same Shall Take Effect. (Z-2765 Browning Investments/JC Hart – Adam Chavers) (Continuum PD) (OR to PDMX) (Sponsored by Area Plan Commission)

Joe Bumbleburg (Ball Eggleston PC), representing the petitioner, explained that this property is owned by Purdue Research Foundation (PRF), who is requesting a rezone from OR to PDMX. The property is located at the corner of State Street and Foundry Drive. PRF is currently in the process of tearing down the married student courts buildings that are on the property. An apartment building will be built with 249 apartment units, which will include 166 one-bedroom apartments, and 83 two-bedroom apartments. There will be 14,800 square feet of commercial space on the ground floor, and a 354-space internal structured parking garage. This project will improve the street system when the developer installs an extension to McCutcheon Drive, and an extension of District Boulevard. He noted that they are abiding by the Master Plan guidelines for the whole area. All meetings with Area Plan Commission (APC) and City staff have been successful. The APC staff recommendation was for seven items, all of which are things that are seen on a regular basis and cause no problems. This rezone received a favorable unanimous vote by the APC.

Councilor Dietrich asked for an explanation on the difference between PDNR and PDMX zones, to which Building Commissioner Spitznagle responded that PDMX is for mixed use, which would allow both residential and non-residential uses. PDNR is only for non-residential use.

There was no further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

The informal meeting ended at 4:37 p.m.