



CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, June 1, 2010

Meeting held at the Saratoga Springs City Offices
1307 North Commerce Drive, Suite 200, Saratoga Springs

MINUTES

Work Session 6:42 P.M.

Present:

Commission Members: Hannah Thiel, Cassie Gross, Joe Hudson, Chris Strickland

Absent Members: Earl Halvas, Kristen Hood, Dennis Brown

Staff: Lori Yates, Jim McNulty, Sarah Carroll

Others:

Pledge of Allegiance led by Cassie Gross

Hannah Thiel opened the public input.

No public input at this time.

Hannah Thiel closed the public input.

4. Public Hearing: Proposed Conditional Use for TNT Fireworks located in the parking lot of the Smith's grocery store at approximately 1320 North Redwood Road, American Promotional Events dba TNT Fireworks, applicant.

Sarah Carroll presented a proposed temporary fireworks sales tent in the Smith's parking lot. The contract the applicant has secured with Smith's indicated that Smith's will allow them to operate a sales tent from June 20 to July 8 and July 21 to July 28, 2010. Staff recommends approval.

Cassie Gross, Hannah Thiel and Joe Hudson expressed their support for this proposal.

Chris Strickland asked if the storage bin would have advertisement on the outside and would this be considered and/or addressed in condition #2. Sarah Carroll indicated that had not been considered but suggested that it could be a part of the conditions.

Hannah Thiel opened public input.

No public input at this time.

Hannah Thiel closed public input.

Motion was made by Chris Strickland and seconded by Hannah Thiel to recommend approval to the City Council the Proposed Conditional Use for TNT Fireworks located in the parking lot of the Smith's grocery store at approximately 1320 North Redwood Road, American Promotional Events dba TNT Fireworks , applicant.

Subject to staff recommendations dated June 1, 2010:

- 1. That the sales tent be placed on the second parking aisle north of the Redwood Road access point and not encroach into any parking drive aisles.**
- 2. That all materials associated with any merchandising be displayed within the tent area;**
- 3. That the sales tent be operated under the dates indicated in the contract with Smith's.**
- 4. An electrical permit must be obtained from the building department prior to any sales occurring.**
- 5. That all signs be limit to what is shown on the diagram in the staff report.**

5. Discussion on potential revisions to the Land Development Code.

Jim McNulty discussed the proposed changes to Section 19.18, Sign Regulations in the Land Development Code with the Planning Commission.

Cassie Gross suggested that the definition for vehicle sign be changed to state: A sign affixed to, applied and/or printed on. In Section 19.18.040 (N), Cassie suggested striking the last sentence. In Section 19.18.040 (O), she indicated that the vehicle signs are hard to regulate. Cassie suggested that in Section 19.18.070, holiday promotional periods be increased to 7 days rather than 5 days.

Chris Strickland suggested that in Section 19.18.040 (F), decreasing the days leading to the primary and increasing the days leading to the general election be considered. In Section 19.18.040 (J), he suggested that it state and/or rather than builder/developer. He also suggested that in Section 19.18.040 (O), holiday promotional periods be 7 days rather than 5 days. He recommended that the standard sign size be consistent with other sign size in other cities.

Joe Hudson agreed with Cassie's suggestion for Section 19.18.040, civic signs. He also asked if the holiday promotional period would cause a problem for other holidays not listed in the Code. In Section 19.18.090, he suggested that the font be the same for directional signs.

Sarah Carroll suggested that political sign be located on private property and not be located in public park strips. She suggested considering other ways of advertising rather than banners for the holiday promotional signs.

Hannah Thiel suggested that the banner signs for the holiday promotional signs would be best. She also felt that Section 19.18.040 (O), needs to address the issue of vehicle and trailer signage.

Jim McNulty stated that this item will be brought back in two weeks with the recommended revisions.

6. Minutes

1. April 20, 2010.

Motion was made by Cassie Gross and seconded by Chris Strickland to approve April 20, 2010 minutes as written. Aye: All

- 1. Subject to changing the word banner to sign which was stated by Cassie Gross on page 2.**

7. Director's Report.

Jim McNulty mentioned that there will be a Joint City Council and Planning Commission work meeting held on Thursday, June 3, 2010. This will begin at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Jim also indicated that there will be a regular Planning Commission meeting held on June 15, 2010. At this time, staff is considering if an additional meeting will need to be held on June 29, 2010. No meeting will be held on July 6, 2010 as a number of Commission members will be out of town.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. was unanimous.

Date

Lori Yates, City Recorder