#### The Town of Taylor Minutes of the Taylor Planning Commission January 30, 2018

The Planning Commission of the Town of Taylor, Mississippi, met at the Town Hall for a monthly meeting on the 30th day of January, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Planning Administrator Jim Hamilton; Chairman Larry Wills; Commissioners Edye Conkerton; Sue Cook; Jared Spears; Bill Beckwith; Cindy Hale; Planning Clerk Cindy Conrad; and Campbell McCool.

Planning Consultant Bob Barber was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wills, and the following business was done:

<u>Adoption of the Agenda:</u> Commissioner Beckwith moved to adopt the meeting agenda; motion was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed unanimously.

<u>Adoption of the Minutes from the Previous Meetings:</u> Commissioner Beckwith moved to adopt the meeting minutes from December 19, 2017; motion was seconded by Commissioner Hale and passed unanimously.

#### Old Business: None

New Business: Application for Final Plat Approval of Plein Air Phase VI.

Planning Consultant, Mr. Bob Barber, submitted an email in his absence to the Planning Commissioners. His findings and recommendations are in the attached report.

Mr. McCool addressed the Board by stating that he was asking for approval of Phase VI, which contained 12 lots. Planning Administrator Hamilton asked Mr. McCool if this updated plat was in keeping with the master plat that was presented in 2006. Mr. McCool stated that this was in keeping with the master plat and asked for approval of Phase VI. Planning Administrator Hamilton then asked Mr. McCool if the same number of lots were listed on the original plat that had been approved in 2006 and the one that was being presented to the Commission on this evening. Mr. McCool stated that the total number of lots were different and had increased by two. Planning Administrator Hamilton asked Mr. McCool how the extra two lots were created. Mr. McCool stated that the size of the lots had decreased and that the green space had been shifted.

Planning Administrator Hamilton asked Mr. McCool if the parking for the new lots would be on the street in front of the homes. Mr. McCool stated that there would be no parking on the street fronts, but each lot would have a drive that would be on the side of the lots or in the rear of the lots, as is in the original agreement.

Planning Administrator Hamilton stated that the corner lot variance of the 5 yard set-back that Mr. McCool was requesting would not affect Phase VI and stated that if this variance was made, the remainder of the subdivision would also have to be changed. Planning Administrator Hamilton stated that Mr. McCool would need to file a revised plat asking for this variance. Planning Administrator Hamilton then stated that the variance Mr. McCool was asking for was not needed if the plat was amended. Planning Administrator Hamilton told Mr. McCool that the variance fee he had submitted would be refunded to him and that Phase VI would include the variance on the set-back and street parking.

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Planning Administrator Hamilton asked if a street name had been issued as of today's date. Mr. McCool stated that there was no street name issued. Planning Administrator Hamilton stated that before approval of Phase VI could be issued, a street name had to be established.

Planning Administrator Hamilton then stated that Mr. McCool would need to secure a bond before this could be presented to the Board of Aldermen. Planning Administrator Hamilton stated that the application should be filed on the first Monday of the month that the Board of Aldermen meet. He also stated that all data should be shown on the plat and that the developers would have to sign and file a bond at 1.15 times the cost of improvement. Planning Administrator Hamilton stated to Mr. McCool that we would waive the first Monday filing rule in this case but that the bond would have to be provided before the Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Board of Aldermen meeting.

Commissioner Conkerton asked Mr. McCool what the size of the lots were on the preliminary plat. Mr. McCool stated that he did not have that information but that the current lots would vary from 50 feet to 72 feet.

Chairman Wills asked for further comment. With no further comment, Chairman Wills stated the he would accept the Motion to Recommend Approval of the Plein Air Phase VI Final Plat with two requirements:

- A street name is issued to this Phase.
- That all bonding obligations should be met before Mr. McCool presents to the Board of Aldermen.

Commissioner Spears moved that the commission recommend approval of the Plein Air Phase VI Final Plat Application to the Board of Aldermen with the requirements discussed. Commissioner Conkerton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Chairman Wills opened the floor for the election of officers.

Commissioner Cook nominated Chairman Wills as Chairman for the upcoming year. Commissioner Spears seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Chairman Wills accepted the position of Chairman.

Commissioner Spears nominated Commissioner Cook for Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Cook nominated Commissioner Spears for Vice-Chairman. A vote was taken and Commissioner Spears won the vote with a 3-2 vote. Commissioners Spears agreed to accept the position of Vice-Chairman.

#### Administrator's Report:

Change of Ordinance

Planning Administrator Hamilton asked the opinion of the Commissioners about changing two of the current ordinances. Planning Administrator Hamilton stated that there is event planner in Taylor's agricultural zone. He stated that our current ordinance does not allow for this and asked the Commissioners if this an ordinance that we should consider changing to accommodate this event planner. He stated that design standards, restrictions on size of property, infrastructure and utilities would all need to be considered and stated that this will take a good bit of thought. Chairman Wills stated the he sees no problem with creating an ordinance that is approved on a case by case basis.

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Planning Administrator Hamilton then asked for the consideration of changing the ordinance regarding how many dwellings should be permitted per lot. He stated that his thought was that this should be made to permit on appeal. Commissioner Conkerton stated that this is a long process but should consider if the dwellings were owner occupied, such as a mother-in-law home, and in that cases there would be no need to appeal. Chairman Wills stated that we would need to consider the use of the land before approving an appeal and that having the ordinance on appeal gives some control.

Mr. McCool stated that with these type of buildings, you would need to be aware that some venues are used for fraternity/sorority parties and that the verbiage stating how the property could be used would need to be in the ordinance.

<u>Clerk Report:</u> Clerk Conrad reported 3 residential building permits were issued since the last meeting.

- Case 20171229-01 was issued for 5 Hurdle Lane;
- Case 20180125-01 was issued for Plein Air Lot 55;
- Case 20180125-02 was issued for 686 CR 303.

<u>Building Official's Report:</u> A Certificate of Occupancy was given for 15 Pear Tree Lane, Case Number 20170721-01.

**Public Comment:** None

<u>Set next meeting date:</u> The Planning Commission will meet again on or before June 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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## **MEMORANDUM**

Date:

January 30, 2018

To:

**Taylor Planning Commission** 

From:

Bob Barber, Town Planner

Subject: Planning Commission Meeting

#### Commissioners,

I have a previously scheduled meeting and am unable to attend the meeting tonight. I have reviewed the two cases on the agenda and offer the following review notes as you consider the cases.

- 1. Application for final submission plat approval for Plein Air Section Phase VI In reviewing a final subdivision plat, a primary consideration is compliance with the preliminary plat approval. In the case of Plein Air, the preliminary plat is the Plein Air Master Plan for the overall development. In comparing the final plat to the preliminary Master Plan layout, the proposed Section VI plat complies. Approval should be subject to any appropriate performance bonding of public infrastructure and to Plein Air restrictive covenants and HOA.
- 2. Variance of Side Yard Setbacks, Plein Air The matter of setbacks has come up repeatedly in Plein Air. Plein Air is designed as a "Traditional Neighborhood Development" or "TND". A TND is intended to create places built on historic design principles used in building communities prior to WWII and the rise of the automobile, which resulted in destructive suburban sprawl. A key principle in the design of TNDs is the placement of buildings in close proximity to streets in order promote walkability, safety, community, beauty, and efficient, compact development patterns. The 5-foot side yard setback request is in keeping with these principles and successfully used in TNDs throughout the country. We have drafted many TND codes, including those of Brandon, Oxford, and Corinth in Mississippi. These TND codes typically include 5-foot side yard setbacks. As a design feature of a TND, a 5-foot side yard setback is appropriate.

In the case of this specific variance request, the applicant is seeking to apply the 5- foot side yard setback as a universal option throughout for all future sections. In this respect, the variance request is essentially an amendment to the Master Plan. It does not appear that the request impacts Section VI of Plein Air but will impact future sections. In my opinion, the Commission must determine if a variance request having the effect of a Master Plan amendments is in order, or if it wishes to repeatedly consider the requests as the development builds out.

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DESCRIPTION:
Plein Air Phase VI
A tract of land located in the Southeast Quarter (SE $k_{\rm J}$ ) of Section 26, Township 9 South, Range 4 West, in the Town of
Taylor, Lafayette County, Mississippi, said tract contains 2.13

and is acres, more or less, follows:

Beginning at a ½" rebor set 1,613.43 feet west of and 967.86 feet north of an iron rod found marking the Southeast Corner of Section 26, Township 9 South, Roage 4 West, Town of Taylor, of Section 26, Township 9 South, Roage 4 West, Town of Taylor, of distance of 427.00 feet to a ½" rebar set; run thence N 84.4112" W for a distance of 143.53 feet to a ½" rebar set on the west right-of-way line of Wysterio Lane; run thence N 05718.48" L. along said west right-of-way line of Wysteria Lane; for a distance of 55.00 feet to a ½" rebar set; run thence N 84.4112" W, leaving said west right-of-way line of Wysteria Lane, for a distance of 131.99 feet to a ½" rebar set; run thence N 7013.41" W for a distance of 20.25 feet to a ½" rebar found; run thence N 1851.25" E for a distance of 2.4167 feet to a ½" rebar found; run thence N 1851.25" E for a distance of 2.4167 feet to a ½" rebar found; run thence N 1851.20" E for a distance of 12.73 feet to a ½" rebar found on the east right-of-way line of Wysteria Lane; for a distance of 2.33 feet to a ½" rebar set; run thence S 44.4112" E, leaving said east right-of-way line of Wysteria Lane, for a distance of 98.33 feet to a ½" rebar set; run thence S 44.4112" E, leaving said east right-of-way line of Wysteria Lane, for a distance of 98.33 feet to a by 2.54 way line of Wysteria Lane, for a distance of 98.35 feet to the Point of Beginning, said fract containing 2.13 cares, more or less.

## Plein Air Phase VI Final Plat of Subdivision:

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