

MINUTES - PLANNING BOARD

Workshop meeting of July 17, 2019

The meeting of the Cranford Planning Board was called to order by Ms. Murray on July 17, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 108 of the Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey. Ms. Murray announced in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Open Public Meetings Act, the Westfield Leader or the Star Ledger had been notified and the agenda posted in the municipal building as required.

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Ms. Murray
Dr. Chapman
Mr. Cossa
Ms. Feder
Mayor Giblin

Members Absent:

Ms. Anderson - Resigned
Deputy Mayor Dooley
Ms. Pedde
Mr. Taylor

Alternates Present:

Ms. Didzbalis

Alternates Absent:

Mr. Aschenbach

Also present:

Kathy Lenahan, Board Administrator

2. RESOLUTIONS OF MEMORIALIZATION

Application # PB-19-002

517 Centennial Avenue Real Estate LLC

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Block: 604, Lot: 9, NC Zone

Applicant is seeking amended final site plan approval for drainage only. Previously approved under PBA 18-00002.

After discussion, a motion to adopt the resolution approving Application PB-19-002 was made by roll call vote. The following voting in favor of the resolution: Ms. Murray, Ms. Feder, Dr. Chapman, Mr. Cossa and Ms. Didzbalis.

3. MINUTES

Motion to adopt the minutes of the Executive Session, Workshop and Official Meeting of May 15, 2019 was made by Mr. Cossa, seconded by Mayor Giblin and passed on unanimous voice vote.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

None

5. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Murray updated the Board on the subcommittee meetings and the reexamination of the Master Plan. Stated the subcommittee should have a draft of the report by next week. They will review the report and the comments will be incorporated into the report and should be presented by Maser at the August 7th meeting. A copy should be sent to the Board members before the August 7th meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the R-6 Zone and should it be incorporated into the reexamination of the Master Plan. Board comments were if it was affecting the residents, there is no reason to hold up the process for the reexamination, it should be done right away. Ms. Murray will reach out to Mr. Drill and Mr. Bottcher.

6. PUBLIC PORTION

Rita LaBrutto – 104 Arlington Road – Asked about the reexamination and the presentation. Stated she has not seen any minutes from any of the subcommittee meetings.

Ms. Murray stated that there are no minutes from those meetings.

Ms. Feder recapped the May 28th public presentation.

Ms. Murray stated there should be a draft report presented at the next Planning Board meeting and a public hearing sometime in September.

Ms. LaBrutto stated she would like to see two things discussed. One is the necessity for parking in the downtown and the other is looking at the buffering requirement for the North Avenue ordinance that was changed to 20 units an acre in 2016.

Ann Steinbach – 1 Hamilton Avenue - Asked about the ordinance for the ORC Zone and stated she had questions about it.

Ms. Murray suggested Ms. Steinbach contact Jason Bottcher, the Zoning Officer with her questions.

A question from the Public was asked regarding the Hartz Resolution and if it is complete yet.

Ms. Murray stated it is not complete but could be ready for the Planning Board meeting on August 7th.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was regularly made, seconded and passed. The meeting concluded at 7:55 p.m.

Donna Pedde