TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE PLANNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING MEETING MINUTES November 4, 2020

The Township of West Orange Planning Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on November 4, 2020 at 7:30 P.M. via virtual ZOOM videoconference.

Chairman Weston called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 P.M. He announced that notification of the meeting was given to the Township Clerk, and posted on the Township Bulletin Board, sent to the West Orange Chronicle and the Star Ledger, and posted on the Township's website calendar. This meeting has been properly noticed to the public in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. No new matters will start after 10:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Weston requested all persons stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next Planning Board regular meeting will be December 2, 2020 at 7:30 P.M. on the ZOOM platform.
- Application PB-20-01/EBA Kosher Markets, LLC, Block: 152.22; Lot: 1412
 629 Eagle Rock Avenue Amended Site Plan seeking a "C" Variance for a Sign will be carried to December 2, 2020

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Bagoff; Mr. Everett Johnson (7:57 PM); Councilwoman Susan

McCartney; Mr. Peter Smeraldo, Jr; Mr. Andrew Trenk

Chairman Ron Weston; Ms. Tammy Williams

ABSENT:

Mr. Lee Klein; Mr. William Wilkes

ALSO PRESENT:

Kenneth D. McPherson III, Esq., Attorney; Sean McCauley, Acting

Planning Board Secretary

MEETING MINUTES

Adoption of the October 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Dr. Bagoff

Second: Councilwoman McCartney

Bagoff:	Υ	Wilkes:	Absent
Johnson (Alt 1): Absent		Williams:	Absent 10-7-2020
Klein:	Absent	Chairman Weston: Y	
McCartney:	Υ		
Smeraldo:	Υ	5 yes, 3 absent; 1 unable to vote	
Trenk:	Υ		

RESOLUTIONS

178-20 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLANNING BOARD TO UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER BLOCK 155, LOTS 40.02, 41.02, AND 42.02 QUALIFIES FOR DESIGNATION AS A NON-CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et. seq.

 Chairman Weston announced that the Area in Need of Redevelopment Study described in this resolution will be presented at a November 18, 2020 Special Meeting of the Planning Board.

ORDINANCES UNDER REVIEW

Planning Board Resolution #20-05

2616-20 – AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING REMOVAL OF TREES TO BE ONLY PERFORMED BY LICENSED TREE CARE PROFESSIONALS-Redlined 2 9.1.2

The purpose of this ordinance is to require any tree cutting and/or removal to be performed only by tree care professionals duly licensed under the Tree Experts and Tree Care Operators Licensing Act and is also registered with the Township of West Orange Department of Public Works.

 Chairman Weston noted that this Ordinance 2616 was reviewed and voted upon by the Planning Board to advance supporting recommendation to the township Council, and that tonight the Board will vote to memorialize the resolution prepared and circulated by our counsel.

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Motion: Chairman Weston

Second: Dr. Bagoff

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Bagoff:	Υ	Wilkes:	Absent
Johnson (Alt 1): Absent		Williams:	Absent 10-7-2020
Klein:	Absent	Chairman Weston: Y	
McCartney:	Υ		
Smeraldo:	Υ	5 yes, 3 absent; 1 unable to vote	
Trenk:	Υ		

Public Comments:

Chairman Weston asked if any members had public comments to make to the Board. The following members of the public offered statements on the record:

Sally Malanga, 57 Ridge Road; Emma Svetvilas, Prospect Avenue; Marissa Edelman, Eagle Terrace; Elizabeth Perlman, Walker Road; Raimi Svetvilas, Prospect Avenue; Joyce Rudin, Woodland Avenue; Svanfridur Mura 8 Lessing Road; Loren Svetvilas, Prospect Avenue; Kevin Malanga, 57 Ridge Road

MEETING ADJOURNED at approximately 08:15 PM. Called by Dr. Bagoff, Seconded by Chairman Weston

Sean McCauley

Adopted: November 18. 2020 Township of West Orange Planning Board