



Arthur A. Mendonsa Hearing Room
December 13, 2011 10:30 A.M.
MINUTES

December 13, 2011 Regular MPC Board Meeting

Members Present: J. Adam Ragsdale, Chairman
Jon Pannell, Vice-Chairman
Shedrick Coleman
Ben Farmer
Stephen Lufburrow
Timothy Mackey
Lacy Manigault
Murray Marshall
Rochelle Small-Toney
Joseph Welch

Members Not Present: Russ Abolt
Ellis Cook, Secretary
Tanya Milton, Treasurer
Susan Myers

Staff Present: Thomas Thomson, P.E. AICP, Executive Director
Melony West, CPA, Director, Finance & Systems
James Hansen, AICP, Director, Development Services
Gary Plumbley, Development Services Planner
Marcus Lotson, Development Services Planner
Christy Adams, Director, Administration
Bri Finau, Administrative Assistant

Advisory Staff Present: Robert Sebek, County Zoning Administrator

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

II. INVOCATION

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. NOTICES, PROCLAMATIONS and ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Swearing-in of MPC Commissioners

1. [January 10, 2012 Swearing-in of MPC Commissioners by Judge Michael Karpf Chatham County Superior Court](#)

Notice(s)

2. [January 10, 2012 MPC Finance Committee Meeting at 11:30 AM in the West Conference Room, 110 East State Street.](#)
3. [January 10, 2012 Regular MPC Meeting at 1:30 P.M. in the Arthur A. Mendonsa Hearing Room, 112 E. State Street.](#)

V. PRESENTATIONS

VI. ITEM(S) REQUESTED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE FINAL AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consists of items for which the applicant is in agreement with the staff recommendation and for which no known objections have been identified nor anticipated by staff. Any objections raised at the meeting will result in the item being moved to the Regular Agenda. At a 12:30 briefing, the staff will brief the Commission on Consent Agenda items and, time permitting, Regular Agenda items. No testimony will be taken from applicants, supporters or opponents, and no votes will be taken at the briefing.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

None

4. [Adoption of the 2012 MPC Calendar of Meetings](#)

Attachment: [Thomson Planning Commission Proposed Planning Commission Calendar for 2012 121311.pdf](#)

Attachment: [2012 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS - DRAFT 12.07.11.pdf](#)

Board Action:

Recommend approval of 2012 MPC Calendar of Meetings and adopt as submitted. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Lacy Manigault

Second: Stephen Lufburrow

Russ Abolt - Not Present

Lacy Manigault - Aye

Murray Marshall - Aye

Tanya Milton - Not Present

Susan Myers - Not Present

Jon Pannell	- Aye
Adam Ragsdale	- Aye
Rochelle Small-Toney	- Aye
Joseph Welch	- Aye
Shedrick Coleman	- Aye
Ellis Cook	- Not Present
Ben Farmer	- Aye
Stephen Lufburrow	- Aye
Timothy Mackey	- Aye

Approval of MPC Meeting Minutes and Briefing Minutes

5. [Approval of November 22, 2011 MPC Meeting Minutes and Briefing Minutes](#)

Attachment: [11.22.11 MPC BRIEFING MINUTES.pdf](#)

Attachment: [11.22.11 MEETING MINUTES.pdf](#)

Board Action:

Recommend **APPROVAL** of the MPC Meeting and Briefing Minutes as submitted. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Stephen Lufburrow

Second: Shedrick Coleman

Russ Abolt	- Not Present
Shedrick Coleman	- Aye
Ellis Cook	- Not Present
Ben Farmer	- Aye
Stephen Lufburrow	- Aye
Timothy Mackey	- Aye
Lacy Manigault	- Aye
Murray Marshall	- Aye
Tanya Milton	- Not Present
Susan Myers	- Not Present
Jon Pannell	- Aye
Adam Ragsdale	- Aye
Rochelle Small-Toney	- Aye
Joseph Welch	- Aye

Final Minor Subdivision

6. [Bruham Tract Subdivision](#)

Attachment: [Bruham Tract SD Final Plat.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Staff Report.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Maps.pdf](#)

309, 309-A, and 311 Buckhalter Road
Site Area: 5.99 Acres
PIN: 1-0942-01-004 and 005
Zoning District: R-A (Residential Agriculture)
County Commission District: 8
Surveyor: Williams and Associates
Agent: Mike Williams
Owner: Gerald and Jennifer Wells

Mr. Gary Plumbley, MPC Project Planner presented the petitioner's request for consideration of a Final Plat for a three-lot minor subdivision for a site located on the south side of Buckhalter Road approximately 3,345 feet west of Veterans' Parkway. The petitioner is also requesting a 357-foot variance from the maximum permitted length of 750 feet for a private vehicular access easement. The MPC staff recommends **approval** of a 357 foot variance from the maximum permitted length of 750 feet for a private vehicular access and utility easement and the proposed Minor Subdivision and Final Plat subject to conditions.

Board Action:

The MPC staff recommends **approval** of a 357 foot variance from the maximum permitted length of 750 feet for a private vehicular access and utility easement and the proposed Minor Subdivision and Final Plat subject to conditions. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Shedrick Coleman
Second: Lacy Manigault
Russ Abolt - Not Present
Shedrick Coleman - Aye
Ellis Cook - Not Present
Ben Farmer - Aye
Stephen Lufburrow - Aye
Timothy Mackey - Aye
Lacy Manigault - Aye
Murray Marshall - Aye
Tanya Milton - Not Present
Susan Myers - Not Present
Jon Pannell - Aye
Adam Ragsdale - Aye
Rochelle Small-Toney - Aye
Joseph Welch - Aye

VIII. ITEMS MOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. REGULAR BUSINESS

General Development Plan / Group Development Plan

7. [Great Dane Engineering Technology Center - GDP](#)

Attachment: [Great Dane Site Existing.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Great Dane Site Proposed.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Staff Report.pdf](#)

General Development Plan / Group Development

600 & 602 East Lathrop Avenue
Great Dane Engineering Technology Center
PIN: 1-0536-01-003A
Great Dane Limited Partnership, Owner
Joseph White, Agent
Aldermanic District: N/A
County Commission District: 8
Zoning District: IH (Heavy Industrial)
Acres: 15.9 (8.4 Distrubed)

Mr. Marcus Lotson, MPC Project Planner, presented the petitioner's request for approval of a General Development Plan / Group Development in order to establish three new structures dedicated to research and development on the existing Great Dane site. The petitioner is also requesting a 20 space parking variance. MPC Staff recommends approval of the General Development Plan / Group Development and the 20 space parking variance.

Mr. Joey White, representative of the petitioner, stated he is present to answer any questions.

Mr. Mackey asked for orientation of Lathrop Avenue regarding the curb cuts.

Mr. White showed them on the screen to fulfill Mr. Mackey's request.

Board Action:

MPC Staff recommends approval of the General Development Plan / Group Development and the - PASS 20 space parking variance.

Vote Results

Motion: Ben Farmer

Second: Shedrick Coleman

Russ Abolt

- Not Present

Shedrick Coleman	- Aye
Ellis Cook	- Not Present
Ben Farmer	- Aye
Stephen Lufburrow	- Aye
Timothy Mackey	- Aye
Lacy Manigault	- Aye
Murray Marshall	- Aye
Tanya Milton	- Not Present
Susan Myers	- Not Present
Jon Pannell	- Aye
Adam Ragsdale	- Aye
Rochelle Small-Toney	- Aye
Joseph Welch	- Aye

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

XIII. DEVELOPMENT PLANS SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW

8. [Development Plans Submitted for Review](#)

Attachment: [DEVELOPMENT REVIEW CASE LOG 121311.pdf](#)

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