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MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

August 18, 2022

6:00 pm

Red Bank Court Room

3117 Dayton Boulevard

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Browder called the meeting to order at 6:04PM

II. ROLL CALL – Secretary

Commissioner Skonberg called the role. Commissioners Browder, Millard, Skonberg and Smith were in attendance. Also in attendance were the planning advisors from the Southeast Tennessee Development District, Ashley Gates and Marc Holcomb, Public Works Director Greg Tate, and those listed on the sign in sheet.

III. INVOCATION

Commissioner Millard gave the invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Browder Commissioner Browder asked for any corrections to the minutes from July 21, 2022. Two dates were corrected. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the minutes from July 21, 2022. Commissioner Millard seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Lane configuration of Dayton Blvd from Browntown Rd/Wickley Rd to the city limits at Gadd Rd.

Marc Holcomb provided an overview of the project. He stated that the proposal includes reducing the number of travel lanes from two in each direction to only one in each direction with a center turn lane.

Greg Tate, Public Works Director, stated that the City could not affect parking conditions as part of this project, but does have future plans to apply for additional

funding and add multi-modal paths. He stated that if the City does not make the request to change the road, it will be paved just as it is now. He requested Planning Commission approval.

Commissioner Skonberg asked if this project would set the City up for these future improvements. Greg Tate stated that it would. Commissioner Browder said that this would be a good test area for reducing the lanes on additional portions of Dayton Boulevard and that this project would improve safety for those turning into the Recycling Center.

Greg Tate stated that there may be some final adjustments, such as adding a right turn lane at Gadd Road.

Davis Guedron of 4810 Stagg Road shared his support of this project. He stated that the intersections of Dayton Boulevard and Appian Way, Wickley, and Browntown Roads are dangerous and that the additional lanes are wasted space. He also stated that the road diet provides an opportunity to redevelop this area of town with more buildings closer to Dayton Boulevard. He suggested reviewing the setback requirements to encourage this type of development.

Commissioner motioned to approve the design of the road configuration of Dayton Boulevard between Browntown Road and Gadd Road. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Browder reiterated that if the design changes significantly from what is presented that it will come back to the Planning Commission for approval.

2. Construction of hiking/mountain biking trails along the undevelopable ridge near the Red Bank Swimming Pool and Community Center.

Marc Holcomb stated that this is a very conceptual project and asked Public Works Director Greg Tate for a project update.

Greg Tate stated that the City Manager and representatives from the Trust for Public Land have visited the site and that TPL is interested in assisting Red Bank in developing trails on this site. Greg Tate stated that there is also a lot of potential for connectivity to Chattanooga with multiple access points in Red Bank.

Commissioner Smith said his main concern was the entrance and exit, and where parking would be. Greg Tate stated that the best entry is right across from the Community Center, and the Community Center parking may be used.

Commissioner Skonberg stated that SOBRA presented research on the economic impact mountain biking trails and that this could have a positive impact on Red Bank.

Davis Guedron of 4810 Stagg Road said that he loved the idea. He suggested that the mountain biking trail could attract a lodging facility along Morrison Springs Road.

Commissioner Millard motioned to approve the city pursuing the construction of the hiking and biking trails along the undevelopable ridge by the pool and Community Center. Commissioner Skonberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Request for right-of-way changes to accommodate new school at Red Bank Baptist Church

Marc Holcomb stated that after reviewing the needs with Red Bank Baptist Church representatives, it turns out that only signage would be needed.

Greg Tate stated that an engineer would be assessing the statutory requirements for the school zone. He also stated that a crosswalk would be placed. He stated that no Planning Commission action would be needed. He stated that they would not be opening Bank Street back up.

Commissioner Smith asked if they could put a speed hump in to slow any through traffic down. Greg Tate said that they had considered having a single arm gate while leaving the fire lane open. He stated that they are going to wait to hear from Wisner Engineering Consultants.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Any properly presented unfinished business

No unfinished business was presented.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

Greg Tate stated that a Planning Commissioner is needed to serve on the Urban Transportation Planning Grant. He stated that everyone on the Steering Committee had to fill out an application, and an alternate could be listed.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Browder motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Skonberg seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.


Chairman