

TOWN OF MILLIKEN
PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING HOUSE, 1201 BROAD STREET

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2012 7:00 P.M.

The Planning Commission of Milliken convened into regular session on the 2nd day of May, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. Those present were: Chairman Linda Measner, Vice-Chairman Tim Woodcock, Commissioners; James Anthony, Dave Bernhardt, and Janet Carter. Also present: Town Administrator Jim Burack, Community & Economic Development Director Steve House, Building Official Ken Kidd, Police Commander Benito Garcia, Assistant Town Attorney Sunita Sharma and Management Associate Philip Waggoner.

Chairman Measner called the meeting to order and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda Approval

Agenda approved as presented.

Citizens Comments

There were none.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

May 2, 2012 minutes approved as distributed.

CONSENT AGENDA

No Items

ACTION AGENDA

1. Public Hearing and Consideration of Amendments to the Land Use Code Regarding Foster Care Homes and Group Homes

The introduction to this matter was given by Economic and Community Development Director Steve House. Commissioner Carter suggested that Foster homes be Use by Right and Group Homes be USR. More guidance was sought from Assistant Town Attorney Sunita Sharma.

Ms. Sharma noted definitions of what group homes and fosters homes were as worded in the State Revised Statutes (CRS). She also noted that foster homes are not heavily regulated by the State, thus it was her counsel to "be cautious in regard to the limitations placed by the Town on Foster homes."

There was discussion amongst the commissioners and soon Commander Garcia was called to speak from the police's perspective on the matter.

Commander Garcia gave statistical and anecdotal evidence as to why he feels it would be a positive notion for the police department to be minimally notified – even by a letter (as Commissioner Woodcock suggested) – if there is a new foster family home or group home moving into the Town.

There was more discussion amongst the Commissioners. Commissioner Carter recommended that a letter be sent by the Town Administrator to the County requesting to meet and discuss the notion of the County, in the future, notifying the Police Department, at minimum, when there is a new foster family or group home locating in Milliken.

The end result was that Commissioner Carter put forth the motion to postpone possible LUC amendments in regard to foster family and group homes, until the letter from the Town Administrator is sent and a response is received by the Town from the County in regard to the aforementioned proposal. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. The motion passed.

The public hearing was closed.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

1. Weld Country Referrals (3)

Commissioner Carter recused herself from consideration and discussion of all Weld County referrals given that she is employed by Weld County.

All three referrals passed with the approval of the Planning Commission as no conflict with the Town.

END OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

Other Business

Commissioner Carter commented on the good tour from the All-American Homes plant in Milliken that she, two Board members and Development Director House attended.

Director House discussed and introduced the other three items briefly: 1. Public Meeting with Loris and Associates, 2. DCI conference, and 3. Reference to the Englewood sign code and murals in their municipality as a point of edification.

Unfinished Business

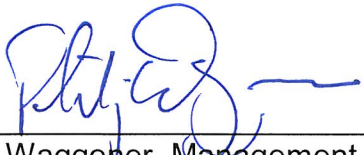
There was none.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Prepared by:

Approved by:



Philip Waggoner, Management Associate



Chairman, Linda Measner