

**SIMPSONVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2023 6:30 P.M.
City Hall**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Giordano, Jordan Johnson, Allen Gillespie, Dave Knapp, Loren Duwel, Lawrence Witul, & Chairperson Ed Brashier

MEMBERS ABSENT:

CITY STAFF/LEADERS PRESENT: Jon Derby

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING REMARKS

(Chairperson) Mr. Brashier called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Derby held roll call.

OCTOBER 3 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Knapp made a motion to approve the October 3rd meeting minutes.

Mr. Giordano seconded the motion.

The motion to approve the October 3rd meeting minutes passed by a unanimous vote, 7-0.

TX-2023-03 MISC. REFINEMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Mr. Derby introduced item TX-2023-03 and gave an overview of the request.

Mr. Brashier opened the floor to public testimony.

Angie Fisher (207 Easton Ct) inquired on changes to the request and what is an overlay district.

Kristie Mills (3 Raven Ct) inquired on what a festival street consisted of.

Chad O'rear (334 Jonesville Rd.) inquired on the possible consequences of shutting down a road for festivals and advised the city should be concerned with the impact it could have to the businesses along this road.

Chase (3 Rabon Ct) inquired if the commission has conducted an impact study. Inquired on possible venues or festivals that could negatively impact the businesses.

Mr. Brashier closed the public testimony portion.

Mr. Derby addressed the comments brought by the citizens.

Mr. Giordano made a motion to recommend an approval to council for item# TX-2023-03.

Ms. Johnson seconded the motion.

Mr. Giordano inquired to staff if these staff level reviews and changes were for permanent or temporary features. Mr. Giordano also inquired if the road and sidewalks will be the same level.

Mr. Derby addressed Mr. Giordano' comment.

Ms. Gillespie made a comment that this was a good item that would be great for the city.

Mr. Witul made comments on how a festival brings in more business and customers and benefits the city greatly.

Mr. Brashier made comments that the city has been using this road for several years for festivals as this was not something new.

Mr. Brashier called for the vote. The motion passed by a unanimous vote, 7-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Knapp made a motion to adjourn.

The motion to adjourn passed by a unanimous vote, 7-0.

Commission adjourned at 6:49p.m.