

Southwest Area Commission (SWAC)
Prepared for approval by Liz Reed

Chair: Stefanie Coe
Vice Chair: Don Parsons
Secretary: Elizabeth (Liz) Reed
Fiscal Officer: David Kerr

Meeting Location: New Horizons United Methodist Church
1665 Harrisburg Pike, Columbus, OH 43223
Minutes for: July 18, 2018

7:05 p.m. Meeting called to order

Commissioners

Present: David Kerr, Felisa Jenkins, Maurice Jenkins, Don Parsons, Barbara Parsons, Elizabeth Reed
Absent: Stefanie Coe, Juanita Kaufman, Gail Rowat

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Items:

1) CV18-039 2180 Hardy Parkway

The LRC group, represented by Benjamin J. MacDowell, requested a variance for the property currently zoned as M-2. The request is to allow the sale of trailers and trailer parts from the property. The representative for the property stated the number of customers per day is estimated at one to three, therefore, after the first shipment of trailers, the traffic and dust will be minimal. There will be no trailer rental.

Elizabeth Reed made the motion to support the variance as presented in the variance application. Felisa Jenkins seconded the motion. All present members approved the motion and the motion passed.

2) The Commissioners were updated about the current states of the parcels on the northwest corner of Frank and Brown Road. The property owner is currently seeking prospects for use of the property and will work to annex the parcels not in the city of Columbus to allow for viable use of the all parcels for one use. Dennis Greco, representing Circle K, presented preliminary plans for use of the property by Circle K. The plan included a gas station with 20 nozzles and 2 pumps for diesel. The plan called for semi-trucks to turn from Frank Road north onto the property then exiting east on to Brown Road.

Commissioners raised concerns about the diesel fumes, lights, noise, and traffic. The Commissions expressed safety concerns with semi-trucks turning left from Frank into the station and traffic congestion concerns as they exited onto Brown. The fence proposed along the north border of the property to buffer the residential homes adjacent to the property may help with lights, but would not impact fumes or noise caused by the semi-truck traffic. The Circle K representative stated that Circle K wanted to take advantage of the trucking traffic that is in the area and did not want to remove diesel fueling as part of the plan. Commission members suggested a location further east on Frank would be more suitable for a station that allows diesel.

- 3) Beth Fairman Kinney introduced herself as the city's new representative to the Southwest Area Commission. Her phone is 614.645.5220 and email is bfkinney@columbus.gov. This is due to a new alignment. David Hooie was the previous representative is now working with different Commissions and the change relieves him of having conflicting Commissions meeting on the same night.
- 4) Liz Reed made a motion to approve a budget for the next year. The proposal included \$500 for rental of facilities, \$1,000 for supplies, and \$1000 for miscellaneous expenses for a total of \$2500. David Kerr seconded the motion. The Commissioners approved the motion for the budget.
- 5) The Commission opted to postpone the approval of previous minutes. Liz stated the some of the months listed for approval were approved in a previous meeting. She needed to verify the minutes that needed approval.
- 6) National Night Out was announced for August 7. A Commissioner needs to attend to conduct our annual elections. No one stepped up at the time of the discussion.
- 7) Council member Stinziano thanked the Commission for their service and provided contact information.

Adjournment

Stefanie Coe moved to adjourn the meeting Felisa Jenkins seconded the motion, unanimous approval to adjourn.

Next Meeting August 15, 2018