Planning Commission Workshop
June 21, 2017

Present: John Watson, Elaine Shepard, Chair Lee Adams, Harry Sampson, Kim Bradshaw, Rob McLarnon
Absent: Chris Coliukos-vacation
Staff: Lee Hutton Special Advisor, Sandra Edwards Town Manager, Valerie Walls Clerk/Treasurer

Chair Lee Adams called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment:
Kim Bradshaw – Race starts at 8pm, bring food for the food pantry. Starting at Schaefer’s and goes along the Canal Trail.
Sandra Edwards: July 2 Fireworks/Parade; parade at 5pm. Music in the Park starts that night, too.
From 3” to Pell Gardens will be blocked off.

Old Business:
Dumpster Enclosure – Schaefer’s
Dumpsters will be on their property; the height of the wall, ordinance stands at 6 feet. Using a compactor, they would like to use a 9' wall, they will need a variance. Lee Adams does not see that being a problem. He will write a letter in support of the 9’ height.
Sandra Edwards: what’s there now is a nuisance. Would be emptied once a week, would not be early in morning or late at night. Believes 9’ would also help with noise. Will be doing two permits, one to approve pad and electric and one for structure. Applicant will amend what is presented.

New Business:
Sign Permit: Little Einstein’s Day Care Center 2533D Augustine Herman Hwy.
   Wall mounted sign – under 30 sq ft. Sign is 38 sq. ft. Sign is too big for our ordinance. Will need a variance or a smaller design. If it was 30 sq ft would that be acceptable? Yes. It will be lit with internal LED. Harry believes you have to have goose neck external lighting.
   Will the Learning Center sign be lit too? It doesn’t match the character of the other signs in shopping center. Town Manager will talk to applicant about the Commissions concerns. Chair Lee Adams would like someone here at the next meeting.

Sign Permit: Silver Salt Box 104 ½ Bohemia Avenue.
   Sign is already hanging up. Hasn’t gone to the Historic Commission, but Harriett Davis said the sign was okay.
   Sign is high enough that no one should hit it. No issues, will vote at the next meeting.

Existing Parking Ordinance
Continued discussions regarding Section 633 page 107; Old Ordinance – page 152 section 272. Schaefer’s wants their parking lot in by May 2018. We need to get this done ASAP; 152-170 is all parking. Lee suggested meeting several Wednesdays to work on. MML ends Wednesday, perhaps next Thursday? Read the whole ordinance on Parking –ten pages, come back with some recommendations. Hope to start a draft. Ordinances do not match the Comp Plan.

Workshop adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Valerie Walls
Clerk/Treasurer

Lee Adams
Chair