

Regular Minutes of the
Ashland City Planning Commission
August 4, 2008

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The Ashland City Planning Commission met in regular session on August 4, 2008
At 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Chairman Joe Macha called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

Commissioners present: Ed Nichols, Chris LaCrosse, Gary Norwood, Yvonne Stinnett,
Hadley Williams, Jim Yates and Joe Macha

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: Michael Armstrong, Franklin Wilkinson, Sharon Caton

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Williams and 2nd by Nichols to approve the minutes with corrections. In section C. Paragraph 1, the word Know County should be changed to Knox County. Motion to approve the minutes with corrections passed by roll call vote. Ed Nichols-yes, Chris LaCrosse-yes, Gary Norwood-yes, Yvonne Stinnett-yes, Hadley Williams-yes, Jim Yates-yes, Joe Macha-yes

Public Forum: None

Old Business: None

**A. Land Use Plan. Planning Commission comments on Chapters 3, 4 & 5
Demographic Background.**

Chapter 6 Policies and Goals & Chapter 7 Implementation.

Caton addressed the Commission and discussed statistics referencing the handouts presented to the Commission. Caton proceeded with review and comment on statistics as presented in the statistics handout for Ashland City including comparisons to State of Tennessee averages. After further discussion Caton stated a presentation at the next meeting will include zoning and use broken down by parcel. Caton directed the discussion toward Chapter 6 of the development plan. The hand out on Chapter 6 includes the State minimums. The Commission has expressed a desire to go beyond the minimum State requirements. This portion of the development plan is intended to inform you on finances, transportation, housing, commercial & industrial development, recreational space and cultural decisions. There might be times when the committee brings in a professional to aide in discussion and decision on any particular subject. For example, Public Works, Fire Dept., real estate agents, etc., may be requested for input as

the Land Use Plan progresses. Caton suggested for the next meeting the Committee should try to get through pages 1 thru 11 and stop at Industrial. The focus as you read through this is “how do you see this city growing”? After further discussion the Commission determined there will be a special called meeting on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at 5:30 PM for the Land Use Committee.

B. Dust Free Ordinance (*Adequate Parking Surfaces for Infill Development*)

Caton stated she is waiting on an engineering report from MTSU on pervious concrete a discussion will proceed at the next meeting.

C. Design Standards for Multi-family & Duplexes.

Caton stated that the case law in Knox County has not been concluded. Design standards for multi-family and duplexes will be presented and discussed at a later date.

New Business: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Norwood and 2nd by LaCrosse. Adjournment passed by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting was adjourned at **7:20 P.M.**

Chairperson Joe Macha