

**REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
APRIL 9, 2014**

A Regular Session Meeting of the **EAST HARTFORD PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION** was held in Town Council Chambers, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut on April 9, 2014.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:48 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

Peter Bonzani, Vice Chair  
Thomas Fitzgerald  
Paul J. Roczynski  
Travis Simpson  
Valentine Povinelli  
Mary Whaples  
Amy Sawyer (Alternate)  
John Ryan (Alternate)

**Absent**

Kathleen Salemi, Secretary  
Crystal Hernandez (Alternate)

**Also Present:**

Michael Dayton, Town Planner  
Denise Horan, Town Engineer

Vice Chair Peter Bonzani declared a quorum and the Commission would be voting with 7 members, including John Ryan, Alternate.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS/REPRESENTATIVES/COMMITTEE MEMBERS** – *postponed from the March 12, 2014 Meeting*

• **Chair**

Upon a motion by Mary Whaples, seconded by Thomas Fitzgerald, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to elect Peter Bonzani, **Chair**, of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

• **Vice Chair**

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by John Ryan, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to elect Mary Whaples **Vice Chair**, of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- **Secretary**

Upon a motion by Mary Whaples, seconded by Thomas Fitzgerald, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **elect** Kathleen Salemi **Secretary**, of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- **CRCOG Representative**

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by Mary Whaples, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **appoint** Valentine Povinelli **CRCOG Representative**, from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- **CRCOG Alternate Representative**

It was the consensus of the Commission to postpone the appointment of the CRCOG Alternate Representative until the next meeting.

- **EDC Representative**

Upon a motion by Travis Simpson, seconded by Thomas Fitzgerald, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **appoint** John Ryan **EDC Representative**, from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- **Design Review Committee Member**

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by Mary Whaples, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **appoint** Lawrence Frazier **Design Review Committee member**, from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **Design Review Minutes – March 12, 2014**

Upon a motion by Travis Simpson, seconded by Paul Roczynski, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **approve** the Design Review Minutes of March 12, 2014.

- **Regular Session Minutes – March 12, 2014**

Upon a motion by Mary Whaples, seconded by Thomas Fitzgerald, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **approve** the Regular Session Minutes of March 12, 2014.

**SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION**-Under section 207.10 to allow construction of two segments of the East Hartford multi-use recreational trail on properties located adjacent to Interstate 84 from Forbes Street to Simmons Road and on properties located along Route 2 from the Charter Oak Bridge to Willow Street. – *tabled at the March 12, 2014 Meeting*

Applicant: Town of East Hartford Department of Public Works, Tim Bockus; Director of Public Works

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by Mary Whaples, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **REMOVE FROM THE TABLE** the above special permit application.

Upon a motion by Travis Simpson, seconded by John Ryan, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to acknowledge the **WITHDRAWAL** of the above special permit application.

**APPLICATION FOR MAJOR FLOOD HAZARD DEVELOPMENT PERMIT** -Under section 601 to allow construction of two segments of the East Hartford multi-use recreational trail on properties located adjacent to Interstate 84 from Forbes Street to Simmons Road and on a property located along Route 2 from the Charter Oak Bridge to Willow Street. – *tabled at the March 12, 2014 meeting.*  
Applicant: Town of East Hartford Department of Public Works, Tim Bockus; Director of Public Works

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by Mary Whaples, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **REMOVE FROM THE TABLE** the above application for major flood hazard development permit.

Upon a motion by Travis Simpson, seconded by John Ryan, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to acknowledge the **WITHDRAWAL** of the above application for a major flood hazard development permit.

**SITE PLAN APPLICATION** – Construction of two segments of the East Hartford multi-use trail located between Charter Oak Bridge to Main Street and Silver Lane to Forbes Street. – *tabled at the March 12, 2014 meeting.*  
Applicant: Town of East Hartford, Tim Bockus; Director of Public Works

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by Mary Whaples, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **REMOVE FROM THE TABLE** the above site plan application.

Upon a motion by Travis Simpson, seconded by John Ryan, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to acknowledge the **WITHDRAWAL** of the above site plan application.

**SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL APPLICATION** - Under section 217 to allow construction of two segments of the East Hartford multi-use trail located between Charter Oak Bridge to Main Street and Silver Lane to Forbes Street. – *tabled at the March 12, 2014 meeting.*  
Applicant: Town of East Hartford, Tim Bockus; Director of Public Works

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by Mary Whaples, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **REMOVE FROM THE TABLE** the above soil and sedimentation control application.

Upon a motion by Travis Simpson, seconded by John Ryan, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to acknowledge the **WITHDRAWAL** of the above soil and sedimentation control application.

## **8-24 REFERRALS**

- Construction of two segments of the East Hartford Multi-use Trail located between Charter Oak Bridge to Main Street and Silver Lane to Forbes Street. – *tabled at the March 12, 2014 meeting.*

Upon a motion by Thomas Fitzgerald, seconded by Mary Whaples, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **REMOVE FROM THE TABLE** the above 8-24 referral.

Upon a motion by Travis Simpson, seconded by John Ryan, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to acknowledge the **WITHDRAWAL** of the above 8-24 referral.

**APPLICATION FOR ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT** -Add new language to prohibit the installation and maintenance of exterior security gates to commercial and industrial buildings visible from the street right of way.

Applicant: East Hartford Town Planning and Zoning Commission

Upon a motion by Mary Whaples, seconded by Thomas Fitzgerald, the Commission **Voted (7-0 )** to **approve** the text amendment with an effective date of 15 days from the date of publication of the legal ad.

**APPLICATION FOR ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT** -Add new language to permitted accessory uses and use section to Business I (B-1), Business II (B-2), Business III (B-3), Business IV (B-4), Business V (B-5) and Industrial III zones to allow propane exchange cages with specific requirements.  
Applicant: East Hartford Town Planning and Zoning Commission

Upon a motion by John Ryan, seconded by Travis Simpson, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to **approve** the text amendment with an effective date of 15 days from the date of publication of the legal ad.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Town staff updated the Commission on the status of the draft of the town's Plan of Conservation and Development.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Salemi, Secretary