**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

**MARCH 14, 2018**

A Public Hearing of the **EAST HARTFORD PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION** was held in the Town Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut on March 14, 2018.

Chair Bonzani opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. Commissioner Pawlowski read the legal ad for this public hearing that was published in the Journal Inquirer on March 1st and March 8th.

**Present:**

Peter Bonzani, Chair

John Ryan, Vice Chair

Paul J. Roczynski

Travis Simpson

Valentine Povinelli

Henry Pawlowski

Susan Skowronek, Alternate

Angela Parkinson, Alternate

Stephen Roczynski, Alternate

**Absent**

Carol Noel, Secretary

**Also Present:**

Jeffrey Cormier, Town Planner

Attorney Joseph Capossela briefed the Commission on the following agenda item.

**ZONING MAP CHANGE:** 351 Silver Lane –Under Section 713; proposed zoning map change from the Residential 3 (R-3) district to the Industrial 3 (I-3) district.

Assessor’s Map-Lot: 23-83

Applicant: Wilfred P. Chicoine, c/o Joseph Capossela, Esq.

The following citizens came forward to speak in favor of this item:

Wilfred Chicoine, 38 Blackstone Lane

The following citizens came forward to speak in opposition of this item:

Donald Currey, 14 Martin Circle; Nasreen Al Omari, 64 Warren Drive; Deena Cotoia, 15 Warren Drive;

Kenneth Walter, 65 Warren Drive; Elbouhole Abdellatif, 327 Silver Lane; Joseph Smarrelli, 44 Warren

Drive; and Kojo Asiedu, 43 Cedarland Court.

Mohammed Asiedu briefed the Commission on the following agenda item.

**SPECIAL USE PERMIT:** 1227 Burnside Avenue – Under Section 402.2; proposal to convert approximately two thousand (2,000) sq. ft. of retail space located at the west end of the building into a banquet hall facility.

Assessor’s Map-Lot: 59-204

Applicant: Felix Effa

The following citizen came forward to speak in favor of this item:

Kofi, 190 Wakefield Circle.

Jose Gonzalez briefed the Commission on the following agenda item.

**SPECIAL USE PERMIT:** 1160 Burnside Avenue – Under Section 402.2.t; request to serve alcoholic beverages for the restaurant/eating establishment “Taco Max”.

Assessor’s Map-Lot: 59-175

Applicant: Taco Max, LLC

No one came forward to speak.

Bill Kallert briefed the Commission on the following agenda item.

**SPECIAL USE PERMIT:** 521 Connecticut Boulevard – Under Section 403.2; conversion of the former “Staples” building into an automobile repair garage, “Hoffman Auto Body”, including two new garage doors.

Assessor’s Map-Lot: 5-6-8

Applicant: Bill Kallert, Hoffman Auto

No one came forward to speak.

Galen Semprebon briefed the Commission on the following agenda item.

**MAJOR FLOOD HAZARD DEVELOPMENT:** 133, 167, 195, and 211 Riverside Drive – Under Section 601; construction of a commercial marina located along the east bank of the Connecticut River including thirty two (32) boat slips for “Goodwin College”.

Assessor’s Map-Lot: 9-3, 9-4, 10-1

Applicant: Goodwin College Inc.

No one came forward to speak.

Upon a motion by Paul Roczynski, seconded by Hank Pawlowski, the Commission **Voted (7-0)** to begin the Regular Session Meeting @ 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Cormier, Town Planner