

# Meeting Minutes February 21st, 2024

#### MISSION:

"To assure the common good through services essential for a safe, sustainable, engaged and healthy community."

**DATE:** February 21st, 2024 **TIME:** 3:30 p.m. **LOCATION:** City Hall, North Conf. Rm.

CHAIR: Jim Schumacher RECORDER: Katrina Berg, Asst. Planner

Members Present: Cameron Bump, Brian Graff, Gail Halmstad, Amy Kalmon, Gary Pesicka, Jim Schumacher, Janis

Tyler

**Absent:** Steve Betchkal, Monica Obrycki **Staff in attendance:** Katrina Berg & Ned Noel

Public in attendance: Lily Strehlow

#### AGENDA ITEM #1: Call to Order

Chair Jim Schumacher called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

#### **AGENDA ITEM #2: Roll Call**

Chair Jim Schumacher took the roll and a quorum was met.

## **AGENDA ITEM #3: Approval of November Meeting**

Committee member Brian Graff made a motion to approve of the minutes. Seconded by Committee member Amy Kalmon. Unanimously approved.

#### AGENDA ITEM #4: Open Public Comment Period for Items that do not appear on this Agenda.

There was no public comment.

#### **Public Discussions**

# **Item #5A Century Code Update**

Staff members Katrina Berg and Ned Noel presented about draft chapters of the zoning code. SAC members were supportive of denser development/infill to lower carbon emissions and to promote mixed uses/live-work options for more walking and transit/economic development. They agreed with impervious surfaces % standards/allowing more permeable pavement options and also liked the planned unit development standards to get more environmental benefits. They wanted public EV chargers to be ADA compliant.

#### **Other Business Agenda Items**

# **Item #6A Community Updates**

Katrina Berg gave an update about the energy efficiency navigator program. The City Council authorized to apply for an Energy Efficiency Block Grant.

# **Discussion and Direction**

# AGENDA ITEM #7A: Future Agenda Items

- Sustainable Eau Claire awards
- Chippewa Valley Biodiversity Partnership
- Tax Credits Education

# **AGENDA ITEM #7B: Announcements**

- Gary Pesicka shared that he would like a tour of the wastewater treatment plant.
- Brian Graff and Janis Tyler shared about investing in companies fund Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) initiatives.
- Guest Lily Strehlow commented that companies may be not investing in ESG initiatives due to new transparency and accountability reporting requirements from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

# AGENDA ITEM #8: Adjournment

Committee member Brian Graff motioned to adjourn, committee member Gary Pesicka seconded. The meeting adjourned the meeting at 4:53 p.m.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Gail Halmstad, Secretary

FUTURE MEETING DATES:	TIME:	LOCATION:
March 20th	3:30 p.m.	City Hall, N. Conf. Room