NORWICH PLANNING COMMISSION Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 9, 2014, Tracy Hall

Regular Meeting

Members Present: LaRowe, Flynn, Gray, Brink Members Absent: Goodrich, Johnson, Lubell Clerk: Phil Dechert Others: Brandy Saxton

Tom Gray, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

1. Agenda – Approved

2. Route 5 South/River Road Mixed Use Project

Brandy Saxton of PlaceSense discussed the proposed schedule for the Mixed-use District Plan Project and possible agendas for two or three public workshops starting on November 13th. A second workshop may be held on December 2nd. Options for workshop formats, interactive opportunities for public participation, and topics were discussed.

Background on specific properties and "nodes" or groups of properties in the study area were discussed with Brandy.

3. Minutes – 9-18-14 –approved with minor change

4. Announcements & Reports, Correspondence –

Hazard Mitigation Plan – An updated Draft Norwich Hazard Mitigation plan has been distributed to surrounding towns for comments and will be approved by the Selectboard after a public hearing. The update was coordinated by TRORC and included department heads and representatives from the Norwich Fire District, the school, and the Health Officer.

5. Zoning Regulation Amendments

Flood Hazard & River Corridor – Dechert reported that, at a meeting with Josh Carvajal, Floodplain Manager of the Vermont Rivers Program, most of the modifications to the state's model regulations reviewed at the last Planning Commission meeting were accepted.

6. Adjournment 8:51 PM.

Phil Dechert, Clerk

APPROVED 10/23/14

Future Meetings: Thursday, October 23, 2014 – 7 PM Regular Meeting

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