

Chairman Moyland Rainey called the Regular Planning Board Meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. on April 12, 2022, electronically through Zoom and in person.

The following members attended in person at Town Hall, 441 White Pine Drive, Laurel Park NC 28739:

- Chair Moyland Rainey
- Scott Gregg
- Clint Dewitt
- Commissioner Paul Hansen- Council Representative
- Town Manager Alex Carmichael
- Town Clerk Tamara Amin
- Assistant to the Town Manager Halee Ratcliff

The following members attended remotely:

· Jeffrey Pieper

The following members were absent:

- Philip Wiehe
- Cecily Timmons

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Katie Swain of 428 Spruce Pine Lane addressed the board in regard to her denied variance request.

Mr. Frank Jurovich of 428 Spruce Pine Lane elected to give Ms. Swain his 3 minutes to continue speaking.

Ms. Swain and Mr. Jurovich left the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Dewitt moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Rainey asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Gregg moved to approve the March 8, 2022 minutes. Mr. Rainey asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS

SITE PLAN REVIEW- REISHA LANE

Assistant to the Town Manager Halee Ratcliff said the applicant is proposing the development of a single-family home on a very steep slope lot under the UDO.

Review Criteria 6.3.13 (D)

- All standards or conditions of any prior permits or development approvals
- The applicable street addressing policies of the Town and the County, and that the street address of all lots are clearly identified on the site plan
- Any applicable concept plans, master plans, or terms and conditions
- All applicable requirements of this Ordinance, including zoning district requirements in
 - o including zoning district requirements in Chapter 2: Districts
 - o environmental requirements in Chapter 3: Environment,
 - o use provisions in Chapter 4: Land Uses,
 - o development standards in Chapter 7: Standards,
 - o and subdivision and infrastructure requirements in Chapter 8: Subdivisions.
- All applicable County, State, and federal requirements.

Planning Board reviewed each of the criteria in Chapter 6.3.13 to ensure the site plan meets all requirements.

Mr. Gregg moved to approve the site plan application for Reisha Lane subject to the stormwater plan. Mr. Rainey asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

REZONING- 1925 WINDSOR DRIVE

Assistant to the Manager Halee Ratcliff said the property at 1925 Windsor drive was voluntarily annexed into the corporate limits of Laurel Park at the January Regular Council meeting. The annexation will be effective July 1, 2022. The parcel is currently zoned as Henderson County Residential 2 in which the intent is to allow for low to medium density residential development. The applicant requests the lot be zoned as Mountainside Mixed Use (MM) under the Laurel Park Unified Development Ordinance.

Planning Board recommended the proposed zoning map amendment presented as favorable to Town Council.

Mr. Dewitt moved to approve the proposed zoning map amendment. It is consistent with Laurel Park's adopted policy guidance and is reasonable and in the public interest for the following reasons:

1. This proposed rezoning is appropriate for parcel # 9559704326 because the Mountainside Mixed Use district allows commercial and residential uses along the US 64 and Ecusta Trail corridors using small and medium sized lots, which is consistent with the Town's 2026 Land Use Plan designations for the area in question, and is contemplates a similar range of uses and densities as anticipated in the Town's adopted small area plan for the Highway 64 Corridor (I don't know the name of this plan).

- 2. The Mountainside Mixed Use district permits various housing types, commercial businesses, and institutional uses in a pedestrian-oriented setting intended to establish and promote a small-town sense of community consistent with its Blue Ridge Mountain setting.
- 3. Establishment of the Mountainside Mixed Use district in the proposed location provides an appropriate transitional density and range of use types for lands located between the higher density Town Center district and lower density residential neighborhoods.

The Planning Board, therefore, recommends approval of the proposed zoning map as proposed. Mr. Rainey asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

DISCUSS NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Board members discussed Mr. Costlow and Mr. Hilliard's Application. Mr. Pieper moved to recommend Mr. Costlow for the term ending December 31, 2022. Mr. Rainey asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

DISCUSS MEETING FORMATS

Board members discussed Meeting Formats and agreed to keep as hybrid until the State of Emergency is over or the June 2023 date approaches, whichever comes first.

ADJOURNMENT

ATTEST:

There being no further business, Chairman Moyland Rainey adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m. on motion by Mr. Gregg.

Moyland Rainey, Chairman

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PUBLIC COMMENT SIGN-UP SHEET

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