Toccoa Planning Commission (TPC) Regular Meeting Thursday, May 19, 2022

The TPC held a regular meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. in the Second Floor Commission Room of Toccoa City Hall. The following were in attendance: Chairman Suzy Bellamy, Commissioner Angie Garland, Commissioner Tara Simmons, Commissioner Josh Rickman, Mrs. Connie Tabor, and Mr. Christian Hamilton. Mr. Kenny Jarvis and Fr. Thomas Langdon were also in attendance. Vice-Chairman Billie Thompson was absent.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Rickman and seconded by Commissioner Garland, the April 21, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved. Upon a motion by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Garland, the May 19, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda was unanimously approved.

Reports

1) May 23, 2022 TCC Meeting. Mrs. Tabor stated that the rezoning public hearing for property located at 103 South Pine Street would take place during the May 23, 2022 regular meeting of the Toccoa City Commission. She asked planning commissioners to please attend the meeting if possible.

I. Old Business

A. **N/A**

II. New Business

A. Applicants Kenneth and Dianne Jarvis. Setback Variance for Property located at 104 Seminole Drive, Tax Map T35, Parcel 088. Mrs. Tabor stated that the applicants submitted an application for a building setback variance for property located at 104 Seminole Drive. The variance request was to reduce the side yard setback on the southern side of the property from 15 feet to 6 feet for the purpose of building a carport. Mrs. Tabor added that neighbor, Mr. Dan Shust, called the office in support of the variance request, and that there had been no other comments from neighbors regarding the request. Mr. Jarvis stated that he hoped to build a nice and attractive carport on the existing cement pad. Commissioner Garland stated that she had driven by the property and believed the carport would enhance property values in the area. With this, Commissioner Garland motioned that the setback variance be approved as submitted. Commissioner Rickman seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. Mrs. Tabor stated that the variance request would now be forwarded to the TCC for review at an upcoming meeting of the City Commission.

B. Applicant St. Timothy Orthodox Church. Rezoning Request for Property located at 742 Collins Road, Tax Map T28, Parcel 089. Mrs. Tabor stated that the applicant submitted an application for a rezoning request for property located at 742 Collins Road. She stated that the property is currently zoned *R-IA*: Single-Family Residential District: Low Density, and that the church would like to have the property rezoned to *B-II*: Commercial District for the purpose of utilizing this property to install a stanchion sign for the church. She added that the rezoning request would be more compatible with adjacent properties. She stated that there had been no comments regarding the request. Commissioner Simmons asked how large the stanchion sign would be. Fr. Thomas Langdon stated that it would be approximately 30 square feet. With this, Commissioner Garland motioned that the rezoning request be approved as submitted. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. Mrs. Tabor stated that the variance request would now be forwarded to the TCC for review at an upcoming meeting of the City Commission.

III. Other Business

A. **N/A**

There being no further business, upon a motion made by Commissioner Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Garland, the Regular Meeting of the TPC was unanimously adjourned at 5:09 pm.

Chairman Suzy Bellamy

Community Development Director
Connie Tabor