

MURRAY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2004

The Murray Planning Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, November 16, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. in the council chambers of City Hall located at 104 N. 5th Street.

Commission Members Present: Howard Koenen, Nelson Shroat, Marc Peebles, Tom Kind, Dave Ramey, Richard Vanover, Ed Pavlick and Mike Lovins

Commission Members Absent: Loretta Jobs and Ed Davis

Also Present: David Roberts, Candace Dowdy, Michael Pitman and public audience

Chairman Richard Vanover called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests. He presented the agenda and asked for approval of the minutes from the October 19, 2004 meeting. **Ed Pavlick made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Marc Peebles seconded the motion and it carried by a 7-0 voice vote.**

Public hearing to set the zoning on the proposed annexation of a 16.0194 acre tract of land known as Fairfield Subdivision located on Robertson Road South owned by Dale Campbell: David Roberts explained that this tract of land is located on Robertson Road South adjacent to Deer Meadow Subdivision to the north and Woodgate Subdivision to the south. David noted that Dale Campbell, developer of the property, requested annexation last month and now the zoning needs to be set. David stated that the recommendation for the proposed zoning is R-2 (single-family residential). David stated that Mr. Campbell is developing approximately 16 lots in Unit II of Fairfield Subdivision. David stated that the proposed annexation and zoning of this property is in line with the comprehensive plan urban services area which shows this as low density residential. Chairman Vanover opened the public hearing for any comments in favor of or in opposition to this zoning request. There were no comments so Chairman Vanover closed the public hearing and opened the floor to the commissioners for discussion. Commissioner Ed Pavlick asked David Roberts if the issues concerning curb and guttering for this subdivision had been resolved. David stated that back in 2000 the Planning Commission reviewed a request by Mr. Campbell to eliminate curb and guttering for Fairfield Subdivision but the Commission denied his request so curb and gutters will be provided for the subdivision. David stated that the existing entrance going into the subdivision does not have curb and gutter but this issue will be addressed as the property is developed. David stated that there are currently two entrances to the subdivision off Robertson Road South but the one to the north is not an improved street at this time but is just part of a driveway. Chairman Vanover asked if both entrances would be used. David stated not in this phase but in the future phase to the north both entrances will be used. David stated that there will be another entrance to Fairfield Subdivision off Tanglewood Drive. **David Ramey made a motion to recommend to the City Council to set the zoning as R-2 (single-family residential). Mike Lovins seconded the motion and it carried by a 7-0 vote.**

Commissioner Nelson Shroat entered the meeting.

Review the proposed changes to the sign regulations and the zoning ordinance: David stated that the sign committee met following last month's Planning Commission meeting to consider some changes to the revisions on the sign regulations and those proposed changes are what is before the Planning Commission tonight. David noted that the major change to these revisions is concerning electronic reader boards. The sign committee decided to recommend that electronic reader boards be prohibited in all zones. David stated that it was discussed that the existing electronic reader board signs would be allowed to remain and those that did not have a permit would have to go through the permitting process. David stated that these are only recommendations from the sign committee for the Planning Commission to consider. Chairman Vanover asked the commissioners how they felt about prohibiting electronic reader boards in all zones. Commissioner Tom Kind stated that he was one of three members of the sign committee that voted to recommend that electronic reader boards be prohibited except for those that already exist. David Roberts stated that the committee's reasoning was based on an aesthetics viewpoint. Attorney Mike Pitman stated that it was the feeling of the sign committee that if the Planning Commission decided to recommend electronic reader boards that the most recent guidelines that were set forth by the sign committee would be their recommendation. Tom Kind suggested that the commission take a vote as to whether they want to recommend electronic reader boards or not before deciding any of the particulars on this issue. Chairman Vanover asked for a roll call. The commission voted 7-1 in favor of recommending electronic reader boards. Attorney Mike Pitman read the guidelines that the sign committee had recommended previously. **Tom Kind made a motion to recommend to the City Council the proposed changes to the sign regulations and the zoning ordinance. Nelson Shroat seconded the motion and it carried by an 8-0 vote.**

David Roberts gave the commissioners information regarding bed and breakfast inns for them to review prior to next month's meeting. David announced that Candace Dowdy has accepted the position of City Planner.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman, Richard Vanover

Recording Secretary, Candace Dowdy