

Planning Commission Meeting –February 2019

Crafton Attending: Ashley McCullough, Lydia Herring, Rich Kraemer

Call To Order: 7:06

Lydia: Talked about Transit-Oriented Development And Comprehensive Plan. Mentioned we need to get money

Rich: Talked a little about going to symposiums. Said RJ, Brad, Lydia and others attended for the borough

Lydia mentioned that walkability was a factor in planning for new development.

Roy Neuman from the attendees said he worked with SEPTA Philadelphia where there were numerous walkways. Said we need to have visualization of what we want to accomplish.

Roy and Lydia said there is a need for looking at the parking facilities, parking lot, for the Park N Ride.

Lydia brought to light that funding limitations are set for end-of-the-line in talking about T-O-D.

RJ had attended symposium on Jan. 9 (Port Authority DCED) where they had said that Crafton is on the right path in the thinking.

Postponement of reading/approving November minutes until March meeting.

Lydia mentioned we should try to get all minutes on One Drive.

Side Yard Program approval needed

Was/Is a vacant lot.

No real questions except Ashley wondered if property taxes were to be collected.

The Side Yard application was approved 3-0.

Streetscape

The engineers will draw up and RJ will follow up, RJ will also be pushing Main Street approach.

Lydia had brought up the idea of an **'I Love Crafton'** campaign. It was asked who would be doing the work. Rich mentioned that Crafton Celebrates has been passing out these types of stickers for years. It was discussed that maybe we partner with Celebrates and/or Shade Tree Commission for this and send profits/money to these 2 for help with their work.

Form-Based Coding and Tactical Urbanism

Form-Based uses character of district in decision-making

Tactical Urbanism uses the idea of Pop-Up Businesses or Events to gain interest.

Rich mentioned that the Victorian Houses make a character statement for Crafton Style.

Ashley and Rich talked about the Borough Building and the Traffic Circle can be used as focal points in possible re-coding and design

Roy mentioned that there currently exists a business behind the apartments near the pool and asked if this was ok. Rich stated that that area is currently all R-1.

Wayne (interested resident) said we should be focusing on new business in the shopping center.

It was also mentioned by another resident that Highmark is taking an interest in putting one of their bicycle racks in Crafton at either the bus station or shopping center.

Discussion was then moved to Trail Improvement. Roy started this discussion and Wayne brought up that he heard the Trolley Trail was trying to get funding.

Lydia said she will try to get RJ to the next meeting for a GIS Update and discussion. Rich pointed out that the next meeting was a joint meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21