

# PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

July 10, 2017

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Evans  
Mr. Searce  
Mr. Garrison  
Mr. Bolton  
Mr. Dodson

## MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Wilson  
Mr. Jones

## STAFF

Tracie Lancaster  
Ken Gillie  
Renee Burton  
Anna Levi  
Clarke Whitfield

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Searce at 3:00 p.m.

### I. ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING

1. *Rezoning application PLRZ20170000156, filed by Daniel Group, Inc., requesting to rezone from M-R, Multifamily Residential to HR-C, Highway Retail Commercial, Parcel ID #78291, otherwise known as Grid 0708, Block 003, Parcel 000008.001 of the City of Danville, Virginia Zoning District Map. The applicant is proposing to rezone the property so that it can be consolidated with a portion of 465 Mt. Cross Rd.*

Ms. Levi read the staff report. Ten (10) notices were sent to surrounding property owners within 300 feet of the subject property. One (1) were not opposed. One was opposed.

Mr. Searce opened the Public Hearing.

Present on behalf of this request was Marc Johnson, LED Professionals representing the Daniel Group for this request. Mr. Johnson stated I appreciate your time and consideration for this request. There is a strip of property behind the 10.7 acres that the Daniel Group just wants to attach to the 10-acre tract to clean it up rather than possibly have another owner behind them. So that is the reason we are asking for the rezoning so that the consolidation plat can be approved. I would be glad to answer any questions that you might have.

Mr. Searce closed the Public Hearing.

**Mr. Dodson made a motion to approve *PLRZ20170000156* as submitted. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

2. *Request to amend Chapter 41 entitled "Zoning Ordinance" of the Code of the City of Danville, Virginia, 1986 as amended, more specifically Article 15: entitled "Definitions", to amend the definition of Bed and Breakfast and to create the definition Distillery; and to amend Articles 3.K: entitled "CB-C Central Business District", Section B. entitled "Permitted Uses" and 3.L: entitled "TW-C Tobacco Warehouse District", Section B. entitled "Permitted Uses" to allow a distillery by right; and to amend Articles 3.J: entitled "N-C Neighborhood Commercial" Section C. entitled "Special Permit Uses", 3.M: entitled "HR-C Highway Retail Commercial" Section C. entitled "Uses Permitted by Special Use Permit" and 3.N: entitled "PS-C Planned Shopping Center Commercial", Section C. entitled "Uses Permitted by Special Use Permit" to allow a distillery by Special Use Permit.*

Mrs. Burton read the staff report.

Mr. Searce opened the Public Hearing.

Present on behalf of this request was Ms. Karen Tekleberhan. Ms. Tekleberhan stated I currently own a Bed and Breakfast but would like to use it for special events, such as bridal showers, retirement parties and small weddings. I am here to answer any questions that you might have.

Mr. Searce closed the Public Hearing.

**Mr. Garrison made a motion to approve the code amendment as submitted. Mr. Bolton seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

## **II. MINUTES**

**The June 12, 2017 minutes were approved by unanimous vote.**

## **III. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Gillie stated the items that you had last month that went to City Council were approved. As it stands right now we don't have anything for next month but they have until 5pm today. But at this point we are not expecting anything so you might have the month off. If you all want to wish Mrs. Lancaster good luck today is her last day as secretary for this Board. She is moving onto some good and better things.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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APPROVED