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**MINUTES OF THE ROCKVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING NO. 16-2019
Tuesday, June 4, 2019**

The City of Rockville Planning Commission convened in regular session in the
Mayor and Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 4, 2019

PRESENT

Gail Sherman – Chair

Anne Goodman	Sarah Miller
Don Hadley	John Tyner II
Charles Littlefield	Rev. Jane Wood

Present: Jim Wasilak, Chief of Zoning
David Levy, Assistant Director
Cynthia Kebba, Principal Planner
Manisha Tewari, Principal Planner

I. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Draft Comprehensive Master Plan

Manisha Tewari outlined the public hearing schedule and summarized the organization of the plan document and public outreach that was done after the revised draft was released for public review. She also noted how to provide testimony on the draft plan.

Chair Sherman outlined the public hearing procedures that will be followed.

George Chang, owner of property at 100 South Adams Street, spoke in support of a land use recommendation of Office for the property.

Bill Kominers, of the law firm of Lerch, Early & Brewer, spoke on behalf of the owner of 5946 Halpine Road, and recommended that the planned land use recommendation be changed from Residential Flexible to Retail Residential Mix for the property.

Soo Lee-Cho, of the law firm of Miller, Miller & Canby, spoke on behalf of the property owner of 216 Park Road, and supported a recommendation of Residential Attached for the property.

Bob Harris, of the law firm of Lerch, Early & Brewer, spoke in support of the broad view of the City's future outlined in the recommended plan. He stated that he hoped that the neighborhood plan section would not be rigid in terms of land use.

Alexandra Dace Denito, of 128 Moore Drive and president of the Lincoln Park Civic Association, spoke in support of the plan recommendations, and in support of the accessory dwelling unit recommendations.

Katherine Davis, representing the Board of Directors of Rockville Economic Development, Inc. (REDI), spoke in support of the document as drafted. She spoke in favor of flexibility in land use, in support of employers in various non-retail sectors of the economy, and in support of connectivity throughout the City to create better linkages between neighborhoods and employment areas, as well as communications. She spoke in favor of regular review of the document that ensures the document is kept current, and thanked the Commission for including a chapter on economic development.

Chair Sherman closed the public hearing.

David Levy discussed the public record for the plan, and it was determined that the record will close at the close of business on June 18, 2019.

The Commission discussed options for dates for upcoming worksessions, and agreed to hold worksessions on each of the upcoming regularly-scheduled meetings: June 26, July 10, July 24 and August 7. The Commission also agreed to hold August 6 as a potential meeting date, to be evaluated after the July 24 meeting.

II. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, Commissioner Wood moved, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. The motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Commission Liaison