

**ACTION SHEET**

**PLANNING BOARD  
PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**CITY HALL, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, 1 JUNKINS AVENUE**

**7:00 PM**

**APRIL 3, 2014  
Reconvened from  
MARCH 20, 2014**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Ricci, Chairman; John Rice, Vice-Chairman; Jack Thorsen, City Council Representative; David Allen, Deputy City Manager; Richard Hopley, Building Inspector; William Gladhill; Elizabeth Moreau, Michael Barker, Jay Leduc, Alternate and Justin Finn, Alternate

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Colby Gamester;

**ALSO PRESENT:** Rick Taintor, Planning Director

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**III. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NEW BUSINESS**

G. Proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

- (1) Create a new Central Business C (CBC) district, encompassing the area currently zoned Central Business B west of Maplewood Avenue and Middle Street;

Voted to **postpone** to the April 17, 2014 Planning Board Meeting.

- (2) Create a new Central Business Piscataqua (CBP) district, encompassing the area currently zoned Central Business A north and east of Market Street and Bow Street;

Voted to **postpone** to the April 17, 2014 Planning Board Meeting.

- (3) Delete Section 10.535.13 – Increased Building Height by Conditional Use Permit;

Voted to **reaffirm** the Planning Board’s vote of February 20, 2014, recommending that the City Council amend the Conditional Use Permit criteria in Section 10.535.13 of the Zoning Ordinance rather than deleting this section.

- (4) Amend Section 10.531 – Table of Dimensional Standards – Business and Industrial Districts, to establish dimensional standards for the proposed CBC and CBP districts (including reducing maximum building height in the CBC district to 35 feet); and to establish maximum building footprints of 4,000 sq. ft. in the CBA district, 30,000 sq. ft. in the CBB district, 3,000 sq. ft. in the proposed CBC district, and 4,000 in the proposed CBP district;

Voted to **postpone** to the April 17, 2014 Planning Board Meeting.

- (5) Add a definition for the term “building footprint”; and

Voted to **recommend** that the City Council amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section 10.1530 – Terms of General Applicability, by inserting a new definition of “building footprint” as proposed.

- (6) Amend Section 10.440 – Table of Uses, to assign the same permitted uses and restrictions to the proposed CBC district as currently designated for the CBB district; and to assign the same permitted uses and restrictions to the proposed CBP district as currently designated for the CBA district.

Voted to **postpone** to the April 17, 2014 Planning Board Meeting.

(This item was referred to the Planning Board by the City Council at its January 13, 2014 meeting.)

- H. Proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to require conference centers, convention centers and event centers to provide one off-street parking space per 2 persons of rated capacity. (This item was referred to the Planning Board by the City Council at its January 13, 2014 meeting.)

Voted to **postpone** this matter indefinitely, with an update at the April 17, 2014 Planning Board Meeting.

#### **IV. CITY COUNCIL REFERRALS/REQUESTS**

- A. Request by the City Council that the Planning Board evaluate the design review provisions established in Section 2.4 of the Site Plan Review Regulations. (This matter was postponed at the February 20, 2014 Planning Board meeting.)

Voted to **postpone** this matter to the May 15, 2014 Planning Board Meeting.

#### **V. OTHER BUSINESS**

- A. Presentation of Wayfinding Plan and Program.

Juliet Walker, Transportation Planner, gave an updated.

**VI. PLANNING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

None.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn at 9:25 pm was made and seconded and passed unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,

Jane M. Shouse  
Acting Secretary for the Planning Board