

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
PLANNING COMMISSION
MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2018 – 5:30 PM
ARTHUR CAMPBELL MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A meeting of the Abingdon Planning Commission was held on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Meeting Room.

A. Chairman Wayne Austin called the meeting to Order.

B. Roll Call – Jason Boswell, Interim Director of Planning

Members Present:

Mr. Scott Wilson
Mr. Rick Humphreys
Mr. Kenny Shuman
Mr. Wayne Austin, Chairman
Mr. Greg Kelly

Comprising a quorum of the Commission

Members Absent:

Dr. Ramsey White
Mr. James Anderson – Absent due to Town Council Forum

Administrative Staff:

Mrs. Deborah Icenhour – Town Attorney
Mrs. Kim Kingsley – Paralegal/Deputy Clerk
Mr. Jason Boswell – Interim Director of Planning
Mr. Matthew Bolick - Director of Public Services and Construction
Mrs. Janice Dornon – Administrative Assistant

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, February 26, 2018

1. After discussion, there was 2 changes to the February 26, 2018 minutes, board wanted to change ad hoc to ex-officio on Selection E, Item 1 and James Anderson came in late for the February 26, 2018 meeting, he arrived at 5:39 PM.

On motion of Mr. Shuman, seconded by Mr. Wilson the minutes of February 26, 2018 were accepted as presented and corrected.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Wilson	Aye
Mr. Humphreys	Aye
Mr. Shuman	Aye
Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Kelly	Abstained (Mr. Kelly was not present at Feb. 26, 2018 meeting)

D. CERTIFICATE(S) OF APPROPRIATENESS

- 1. Certificate of Appropriateness; Request for COA - Marathon Realty Corp, Owner, Parcel No. 021-1-5B, Zone B-2. *Linda Cox, Eastman Credit Union, and Luther D. Cain, AIA, CAW Rash West Architects, Representative***

Luther Cain addressed the Commission on behalf of the Eastman Credit Union. The site pad is being prepared at this time. ECU uses a franchise design. ECU concept is unique to their branding design. Board would like ECU to compare their materials to the design approved for Food City commercial design. Mr. Humphreys does not consider the ECU design comparable to Food City's design. Mr. Humphreys stated that the ECU design has a National Park feel to it. Mr. Kelly proposed that they use brick, stone and roof colors similar to those that Food City has submitted. Materials such as stucco, natural stone could be a possibility. Mr. Kelly questioned the beam work and if a different material could be used such as stucco. Mr. Cain told the commissioner that the beam work would be facing Interstate 81. Board also recognized that the ECU building will be one of the first building the public will see when entering the complex. Board also recommends that ECU be held to community standards.

On motion of Mr. Humphreys, Seconded by Mr. Wilson, Planning Commission members recommended that the proposal be tabled so that ECU can re-group and consider the board's recommendations of use of colors, materials, textures to coincide with the afore mention Food City commercial design.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Wilson	Aye
Mr. Humphreys	Aye
Mr. Shuman	Aye
Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Kelly	Aye

- 2. Certificate of Appropriateness; Request for COA - Management Properties, Inc., Owner, 1120 W Main Street, Parcel No. 104C2-A-2. Jeffrey *Benedict, Representative***

Jeff Benedict addressed the Commission with a request to demolish the building and canopy at 1120 W. Main Street. Plans are to demolish the building down to grade and leave in that shape until a developer decides to build on the property. Mr. Kelly asked if there were any environmental issues. Mr. Benedict indicated that there are issues due to a gas storage leak some while age. This property would have to be mediated before any building would be approved.

On motion of Mr. Shuman, Seconded by Mr. Humphreys, Planning Commission members recommended approval of proposed demolition.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Wilson	Aye
Mr. Humphreys	Aye
Mr. Shuman	Aye
Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Kelly	Aye

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Commissioners discussed the effects on the Planning Commission if the Town Manager and/or the Town Council representative where to be removed from the board. A new Ordinance was sent before the Planning Commission for consideration to remove either/or the Town Manager or Town Council member from the board. Mr. Shuman expressed concern of not having a representative that would be the voice of the Planning Commission at monthly Town Council meetings. They feel that the Planning Commission needs someone who can attend the Town Council meeting as their representative. After discussion, the board voted to table the decision on the Ordinance for now. No action is necessary no decision was meet just discussed.

UPDATES FROM STAFF AND PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

1. Mr. Shuman inquired about Anne Hutton's property on Valley Street and the trees that have been taken down. He feels that the Town Ordinances should be enforced pertaining to the tree removal in a timely fashion. Mr. Shuman stated that if the ordinances are not enforced that no one can be held accountable for upholding town ordinances.

F. ADJOURN

On motion of Mr. Shuman, Seconded by Mr. Wilson, recommended the meeting be adjourned with no further business to address.

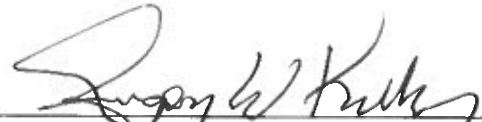
The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Wilson	Aye
Mr. Humphreys	Aye
Mr. Shuman	Aye
Mr. Austin	Aye
Mr. Kelly	Aye

Adjourn Time: 6:30 P.M.

G. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 23, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Room, 1st floor.


Wayne Austin, Chairman


Greg Kelly, Secretary