# TOWN OF ABINGDON PLANNING COMMISSION MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021 – 5:30 PM SPECIAL CALLED MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A meeting of the Abingdon Planning Commission was held on Monday, April 5, 2021 at 5:30 PM in the Arthur Campbell Room of the Municipal Building.

- A. Chairman Wayne Austin called the meeting to Order
- B. Roll Call Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development

## **Members Present:**

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Mr. Chad Pennington	Present
Mr. Michael Weaver	Present
Mr. James Anderson	Present
Mr. Kirk Sproles	Present
Mr. Scott Wilson	Present
Mr. Kenny Shuman	Present
Mr. Wayne Austin	Present

Members Absent: None

Comprising a quorum of the Commission - Yes

#### **Administrative Staff Present:**

Mr. Jason Boswell – Director of Community Development

Mr. Mason Gragg – Town Planner

Mr. Cameron Bell – Town Attorney

Mrs. Janice Dornon - Administrative Assistant, Secretary

**Guests:** None

- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS None
- D. PUBLIC HEARING SPECIAL USE PERMIT

1. Special Use Permit; Between 134 and 124 Park Street SE, Abingdon VA, 24210; Owner. Vintage Properties of Virginia, LLC, 2933 Heathmoor Lane, Charlotte, NC 28211: David Dalton; Representative. Special Use Permit to construct a new foundation upon which the Hiram Dooley house will be placed, with the aid of specialized house moving equipment. The parcel is located within the AE Floodway Fringe District. Located at between 134 and 124 Park Street SE, Abingdon, VA, Tax Map ID (013-1-120F1)

Mr. Wayne Austin opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Jason Boswell stated that Mr. Dave Dalton has submitted a Special Use Permit Application and Site Plan to move the Hiram Dooley house approximately 200' from the current location, 123 Pecan Street, to a open parcel located between 134 and 124 Park Street SE. The proposed lot sits in the AE Floodway District. Mr. Boswell continued to read the staff analysis...

# Staff Analysis:

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On review, staff recommends approval of the Special Use Permit as presented in compliance with Article 17 - General Provisions, Section 17-3 - Special Use Permits and Article 15 - FH Flood Hazard District, Section 15-9 - Utilization of the flood hazard district based on the results of the submitted flood study prepared by Bundy Architecture and Engineering indicating that the proposed relocation of the structure will not increase the base flood elevation more than one foot at any point. Staff also recommends that an Elevation Certificate be required that indicates the Finished Floor Elevation (FFE) is at or above the recommended flood proofing elevation listed in the report (2040.74). The project is still subject to the requirements of a Right-of-Way Encroachment Permit, Entrance Permit and a Land Disturbing Permit should conditions make them applicable.

Mr. Jeff Johnson, a member of the Sinking Springs Presbyterian Church, said the church is willing to work with Mr. Dalton as much as they possibly can. He also thanked the board and the town, on behalf of the church, for their efforts throughout this entire process.

Mr. Dalton said that during this process the town, the church, and the citizens have been supportive of his efforts. Mr. Dalton is working with a firm from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to have the Hiram Dooley house relocated. Mr. Dalton said only the original 25' x 40' section of the 1849 house would be moved.

Mr. Austin inquired as to why Mr. Dalton is taking on this endeavor. Mr. Dalton responded that he has strong family ties in Abingdon and that he adores the area.

Mr. Shuman expressed his appreciation to Mr. Dalton for his preservation efforts.

Mr. Austin asks about the projected timeline for the project. Mr. Dalton stated they would like to start the process in May. Mr. Dalton responded, there are several public utilities that will need to be temporarily moved for this relocation to occur. This will substantiality add to the cost of the move.

Mr. Austin inquired as to the plans for the home once it has been moved. Mr. Dalton plans to add an addition to the back of the structure and use it as a long term rental.

Mr. Weaver asked what part of the house would be moved. Mr. Dalton responded confirming that only the section that was constructed in 1849 would be relocated. The depth of the exterior walls are three bricks thick, making the structure extremely heavy.

Mr. Austin closed the Public Hearing

On a motion by Mr. Shuman, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Planning Commission approved the Special Use Permit, per the staff's recommendations.

#### The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Chad Pennington	Aye
Mr. Michael Weaver	Aye
Mr. James Anderson	Aye
Mr. Kirk Sproles	Aye
Mr. Scott Wilson	Aye
Mr. Kenny Shuman	Aye
Mr. Wayne Austin	Aye

The board unanimously approved the Special Use Permit for the proposed structure being relocated to parcel 013-1-120F1, Abingdon, Virginia, as presented.

Mr. Boswell will present the Planning Commission's decision from this meeting to the Town Council at their regularly scheduled meeting on April 5, 2021, at 6:30 P.M.

## E. DISCUSSION

# F. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

# G. ADJOURN

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Shuman, recommending that the meeting adjourned with no further business to address.

# The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Chad Pennington	Aye
Mr. Michael Weaver	Aye
Mr. James Anderson	Aye
Mr. Kirk Sproles	Aye
Mr. Scott Wilson	Aye
Mr. Kenny Shuman	Aye
Mr. Wayne Austin	Aye

Adjourn Time: 5:45 P.M.

Wayne Austin, Chairman

Janice Dornon, Secretary

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 26, 2021, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Town Municipal Building.