

Planning and Zoning Minutes

May 10, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm by Snyder. Members present: Snyder, Aarhus and Hanover. Absent: Hence and Jellison. Chris Philipp, Building Official was present. Michelle Cheever City Engineer was also present.

Motion to approve the March 8, 2022 minutes, by Aarhus, seconded by Hanover. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion of Resolution No. 051622E, direct opposition to the Linn County rezoning of agricultural zoned property within a two mile radius of the city limits of Palo. Two applications have been submitted to Linn County Board of Supervisors by Nextera known as Duane Arnold Solar I and Duane Arnold Solar II. The Board reviewed maps of the projects and determined that these locations are within the “Future Growth Area” of the City of Palo. Motion by Aarhus to recommend to Council to approve Resolution 051522C with states the City of Palo is in direct opposition to the solar projects submitted to the Linn County Board of Supervisors. Seconded by Snyder. All ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion of a planned P&Z and BOA Workshop hosted by the City of Fairfax was discussed. The workshop has been scheduled for August 16th, starting at 5 PM. All members are expected to be at the workshop. The workshop is lead by Iowa State University and will be at 300 80th Street Court in Fairfax,

Michelle Cheever, City Engineer, presented the Board with the requested New Future Land Use Maps. The Board had reviewed the map at the October 12, 2021 meeting and recommended several changes. The Board reviewed the map and the new maps reflect the changes that the Board agreed upon at the October 12, 2021 meeting.

Motioned to adjourn by Aarhus, seconded by Handover. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:14 pm.

Chris Philipp
Building Official