

**PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
CITY OF COVINGTON  
MONDAY, April 19, 2021  
6:30 PM  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
222 KIRKLAND STREET  
COVINGTON, LOUISIANA**

**PLANNING COMMISSIONERS**

**TEDDY BOONE – Chairman  
JOSEPH FETTER  
PHILIP G. SMITH  
BRUCE DAVIDSON  
ROBERT CELESTINE  
ROSLYN H. HANSON  
ALVA SMITH**

**STAFF**

**NAHKETAH BAGBY, CITY PLANNER  
ELLEN C AGEE, SECRETARY**

**NOTE: SEATING WILL BE LIMITED DUE TO COVID-19 CAPACITY GUIDELINES AND STANDING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED. ATTENDEE WILL BE REQUIRED TO WEAR A FACE MASK OR FACE COVERING.**

**Commissioner Fetter** called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM

**Commissioner Fetter** Led the moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

TEDDY BOONE – Chairman	Absent
JOSEPH FETTER	Yes
PHILIP G. SMITH	Yes
BRUCE DAVIDSON	Yes
ROBERT CELESTINE	Yes
ROSLYN H. HANSON	Yes
ALVA SMITH	Yes

**Commissioners Present:** Joseph Fetter, Phillip G. Smith, Bruce Davidson, Robert Celestine, Roslyn H. Hanson and Alva Smith

**Commissioners Absent:** Teddy Boone

**Staff Present:** Nahketah Bagby, Ellen Agee

**Commissioner Philip Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 15, 2021, Meeting. Commissioner Roslyn Hanson Seconded**

**ROLL:**

TEDDY BOONE – Chairman	Absent
JOSEPH FETTER	Yes
PHILIP G. SMITH	Yes
BRUCE DAVIDSON	Yes
ROBERT CELESTINE	Yes
ROSLYN H. HANSON	Yes
ALVA SMITH	Yes

**Planning Cases:**

**CASE NO. 21-04-05ADMRESUB** -Request: (An administrative re-subdivision Referred to the Planning Commission by the Planning Department) A request to re-subdivide Lot 3, into lots 3A and 3B, Square 2903, Division of New Covington, City of Covington, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana The property is located at the corners of West 29 Avenue, North Van Buren Street and Lynn Alley.

Note: Per Appendix A Subdivision Article 3. Sec. 3.4 Administrative, this case is being referred to Planning commission. A series of variance requests from Appendix- A Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Part 3 – Used Districts Sec. 3.8 RSL single family residential – existing small lot 3.806 were made to the BOA. The requests were approved by the BOA at their March 15, 2021, Meeting.

**Petitioner:** Bryan Burns – West 30's Redemption Company

**Owner:** West 30's Redemption Company

**Mr. Fetter opened the floor for discussion:**

*Mr. Burns gave a brief history and explanation of his ministry and goals for the property that he improves/develops. Followed by explaining the need for the current requested re-subdivision.*

*Co-Chairman Fetter: opened the floor discussion and Mr. Burns, gave a brief history of his work in the neighborhood and the need for this request.*

*Councilman Peter Lewis addressed the Commission regarding concerns brought to his office from the residents of his district.*

*Ms. Guy, a neighbor to the subject property presented concerns regarding the subdivision of the subject property.*

*A brief discussion followed with Mr. Burns addressing each concern that was applicable to the request.*

**MOTION** made by Bruce Davidson to accept request **CASE NO. 21-04-05ADMRESUB** as presented **SECONDED:** Philip Smith

**ROLL:**

TEDDY BOONE – Chairman	Absent
JOSEPH FETTER	Yes
PHILIP G. SMITH	Yes
BRUCE DAVIDSON	Yes
ROBERT CELESTINE	No
ROSLYN H. HANSON	No
ALVA SMITH	Yes

**Note: Mr. Celestine left meeting following the vote**

**2. In compliance with Louisiana Laws Revised Statutes TITLE 33 – Municipalities and Parishes RS 33:106-General Powers and Duties – Planning Commission will Conduct a Public Hearing to Adopt the 2030 Comprehensive Plan Prepared by Dana Brown and Associates.**

If you have comments, please e-mail them to [nbagby@covla.com](mailto:nbagby@covla.com) or mail them to City of Covington Planning Department at P. O. Box 778, Covington, LA 70434.

**Mr. Fetter opened the floor for discussion:**

*Several complements were extended to Dana Brown and Associates by Philip Smith, Roslyn Hanson and the Commission with regards to the dedication of the staff. Further, it was stated that the matrix provided to simplify the understanding and progress and general flow of the process was extremely helpful.*

*Nahketah Bagby, City Planner informed the Commission that the next steps of the process would be the formal publication and then implementation of the Plan.*

**MOTION** made by Roslyn Hanson to accept as presented with the inclusion of amendments submitted by Philip Smith **AND SECONDED** by Commissioner Philip Smith.

**ROLL:**

TEDDY BOONE – Chairman	Absent
JOSEPH FETTER	Yes
PHILIP G. SMITH	Yes
BRUCE DAVIDSON	Yes
ROBERT CELESTINE	Absent
ROSLYN H. HANSON	Yes
ALVA SMITH	Yes

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Nahketah Bagby, City Planner, reminded Commissioners of the importance of completing the Sexual Harassment Training required by the State of Louisiana prior to April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Further, Ms. Bagby announced to the Commission that she has submitted her notice of intent to retire to the Mayor's Office -retirement date is scheduled for April 12, 2022.

**There being no further business, Motion to Adjourn** made by Mr. Smith and **SECONDED** by Commissioner Fetter

**ROLL:**

TEDDY BOONE – Chairman	Absent
JOSEPH FETTER	Yes
PHILIP G. SMITH	Yes
BRUCE DAVIDSON	Yes
ROBERT CELESTINE	Absent
ROSLYN H. HANSON	Yes
ALVA SMITH	Yes

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:39 pm**