



CITY OF LANSING
Council Chambers
800 1st Terrace
Lansing, KS 66043

COUNCIL AGENDA
Special Meeting
Thursday, April 6, 2017
6:15 P.M.

WELCOME TO YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 pm and are televised on Cable Television Channel 2 on Monday 7 pm, Tuesday 10 am & 7 pm, Friday 5 pm, Saturday 1 pm and Sunday 7 pm.

Any person wishing to address the City Council, simply proceed to the microphone in front of the dais after the agenda item has been introduced and wait to be recognized by the Mayor. When called upon, please begin by stating your name and address. A time designated "Audience Participation" is listed on the agenda for any matter that does not appear on this agenda. The mayor will call for audience participation. Please be aware that the city council and staff may not have had advance notice of your topic and that the city council may not be able to provide a decision at the meeting. If you require any special assistance, please notify the city clerk prior to the meeting.

Call To Order

Roll Call



NEW BUSINESS:

Council Consideration of Agenda Items:

1. Lansing Planning Commission Applicant Interviews

Adjournment

AGENDA ITEM

TO: Tim Vandall, City Administrator 
FROM: Sarah Bodensteiner, City Clerk 
DATE: March 28, 2017
SUBJECT: Lansing Planning Commission Applicant Interviews

There are three (3) positions on the Planning Commission whose terms will expire on April 30, 2017. These positions were advertised and four (4) applications were received. As there are more applicants per open positions, the Council will interview all applicants.

Action: Interview the four (4) applicants for the Lansing Planning Commission.

AGENDA ITEM

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APPLICATION FOR LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

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Please attach a one to two page written statement expressing your interest in being appointed to the Lansing Planning Commission. Your written statement should address the following four topics:

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4. Willingness to attend meetings.

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Date: March 13, 2017

Lansing City Council
Lansing City Hall
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Dear Members of the Lansing City Council:

It is with great honor that I submit my letter of interest to be reappointed to the City of Lansing Planning Commission. I have been a member of the Lansing Planning Commission since 2006. During that time, I have served as a member, Vice Chair, and now as the Chair. Also, I was on the steering committee during the update of the Comprehensive Plan. Prior to my time on the Planning Commission, I served for one year on the Board of Zoning Appeal. With over 10 years of experience on the Commission, I feel I am qualified to continue as a member of the Planning Commission.

As a member of the Planning Commission, I would like to continue to see the Planning Commission move in the direction we are headed. I have seen many positive changes to the City over the time I have been on the Commission and I want to see the City to continue to move in that direction. Also, I am excited to see the City beginning to work on the development of a UDO. I feel this is the direction the City needs to move. Also, with the development of the UDO, this will help in the update of the subdivision regulations and ordinances. There are several ordinances and regulations that need to be updated. Also, I would like to see parts of the Comprehensive Plan updated to reflect where we are as a City.

Finally, I am willing to attend meetings as necessary. I feel it is important if you are a member of the Commission be at the meetings.

Thank you for the time and commitment you have given to our City. If you have any additional questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,



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APPLICATION FOR LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

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15 March 2017

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Attention of the City Clerk

APPLICATION FOR LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

I, Richard H Parker, volunteer for appointment to the Lansing Planning Commission.

My qualifications for the position include strong education, experience, and desire to serve on the Lansing Planning Commission. I am completing a Doctorate in Management degree with the University of Phoenix (should graduate this summer) and I have a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Western Kentucky (1986). I served over 27 years on active duty in the US Army, retiring in 2008 at the rank of colonel; and I served the last nine years as an Army Civilian, currently in the Senior Executive Service. During my last four years on active duty (2003-2007) I served as the Chief, Plans and Force Development Division in Headquarters, Eighth (US) Army, in Korea – responsible for long term planning for the Army Service Component Commander. During 2008 – 2014, I served as the Director for Forces, Resources, and Assessments (J8) in Headquarters, US Forces Korea, responsible for long term planning for all US Forces in Korea. I moved to Lansing in September 2014 and brought my family here in April 2015, after building/buying a house in the Rock Creek Community. I would like very much to contribute to the Lansing community by serving on the Lansing Planning Commission.

My personal philosophy of the Lansing Planning Commission and development in Lansing is to do what is best for the future community members of Lansing by identifying/studying relevant future environmental factors, anticipating community needs, and forecasting potential opportunities and challenges to build/adapt effective plans in advance of their necessity.

Desired accomplishments as a Lansing Planning Commission member include making Lansing the leading city of the future in Leavenworth County and the surrounding area; and the best choice for people to live, work, and enjoy their leisure time in a safe, secure, and happy environment. I want to contribute as best possible to meet the future Lansing community needs.

I am committed to attend meetings, participate in working groups, and apply my personal time and to meet the Lansing Planning Commission needs. I realize that the Lansing Planning Commission normally meets on the third Wednesday of every month and I will make every attempt to be present for every meeting, including ad hoc gatherings.

Here are three personal references:

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Sincerely,



Richard H Parker

Colonel, U.S.Army (ret)
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APPLICATION FOR LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

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Michael A. Suozzo—Statement in support of an application for reappointment to the Lansing Planning Commission

I respectfully request favorable consideration of my application for reappointment to the Lansing Planning Commission. I have owned property since 1991 and have been a full time resident for over 26 years. Over that span of time I have watched the community grow and felt a strong desire to give back which is why I requested, and received an appointment to the Lansing Planning Commission in 1997. A year later I volunteered to be the Planning Commission representative on the Board of Zoning Appeals and in 2012 I was elected chairman by the members of the board.

Over the past several years Lansing has developed a strong coherent set of zoning ordinances that need to be enforced fairly across a community that has developed over 100+ years. The community, with regards to zoning enforcement, has challenges as there are areas of the city that span that entire period. Bottom line is that our zoning codes are in place to guide the city's growth, protect our citizens' rights, their safety, and property value without imposing an undue burden on any member of the community.

I have participated in the in two iterations of the development and updating of the Comprehensive Plan over the last 20 years. I believe that the city is on the right track and has a bright future. I look forward, if reappointed to the Planning Commission, to working on revisions, with the citizens and the city council and also on development of the Unified Development Ordinance. We must continue to look forward and both maintain our gains while directing the city's growth in the coming decades. I want to contribute to the effort to make Lansing an even better city.

I am will to devote the time to serve on the commission and, in fact, have attended approximately 90% of the required meetings over the past 20 years.

References:

Mr. Greg Robinson, 400 North Main St, Lansing, Kansas (913) 727-5800

Mr. Dave Anaya, 3221 Gilman Rd, Lansing, Kansas (913) 250-5029

Ms. Mary Manago, 508 Oakbrook Drive, Lansing, Kansas (913-772-3571



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APPLICATION FOR LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

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Kirsten Moreland
Application for Lansing Planning Commission
March 23, 2013

1. Qualifications for the position –

Since my appointment to the Planning Commission I have sought out education that could improve my service to Lansing. My goal is to assist the committee by making educated and informed decisions. To that end I have sought internal and external education.

- a. Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) is a wonderful resource. The MARC training I have attended has centered around the work of a member of a Planning Commission. I have attended their presentations on housing for senior citizens, economic development, a Housing Foresight Seminar, Integrating Green Infrastructure into Complete Streets, Planning and Zoning Workshops
- b. I have also attended seminars at The University of Kansas (KU) on sustainability and planning. I hope to pursue more education options at KU when possible.

2. Personal philosophy of the Lansing Planning Commission and development in Lansing. My personal tenant is:

- a. My role as a volunteer member of the Planning Commission is a civic responsibility.
- b. I serve the community of Lansing faithfully with dedication and respect remembering that my decisions cannot be made for one, but all of Lansing.
- c. The Planning Commission is an advisory board to the city council. We must provide them with recommendations based on the zoning regulations, the Comprehensive Plan and the Main Street Overlay District (MSOD) and information from the City Engineer and City Attorney.
- d. We help the Lansing community articulate and achieve the vision they established in the Comprehensive Plan, MSOD and the zoning regulations they adopted.
- e. In the Comprehensive Plan, we are directed to annually review the plan (Page 90, final paragraph). We need to pursue that goal and to be courageous in suggesting changes to the city council.
- b. I believe that migration towards a Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) is a positive change that can improve the process of development in Lansing.
- c. I must take the time to review applications and requests, the zoning regulations, the Comprehensive Plan and MSOD where they address decisions and recommendations we must offer to the City Council.

3. Desired accomplishments as a Lansing Planning Commission member. As I move forward in this next appointment I will:
 - a. Be a positive impact on development and change in the city.
 - b. Do my best to make my vote informed and researched.
 - c. Continue the review of the Comprehensive Plan as directed in that document. Looking for opportunities for improvements and clarity.
 - d. Promote the use of the MSOD and its goal to improve the quality of development along the MSOD corridor.
 - e. Establish a UDO that consolidates regulations and governs development.
 - f. Improve the working relationship with the City Council promoting open dialogue.
 - d. Educate the community on the duties of the Planning Commission and the rules and regulations that outline the recommendations we provide to the city council.
 - e. Look for education opportunities for our community on:
 - a. The Comprehensive Plan – this should be an ongoing process
 - b. The MSOD – this has been in place long enough that the community may not be aware of it.
 - c. The UDO – the UDO will be a major change for Lansing. As part of the implementation we need to include community education.
 - f. Continue my Planning Commission education through outside sources and formal education when possible.

4. Willingness to attend meetings.
 - a. Acceptance of this appointment must come with the acknowledgment that the commission member must attend all Planning Commission meetings, working Council meetings and training. We can only make informed decisions if we attend meetings, etc.
 - b. In my time on the commission I have missed two meetings due to family commitments.
 - c. When I accept a future appointment, I am acknowledging the time commitment and willingness to attend meetings (Planning Commission or otherwise).

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Application for Lansing Planning Commission – Personal References
March 23, 2017

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