# **Hastings Planning Commission**

April 9, 2018 - Regular Meeting Minutes Hastings City Hall - City Council Chambers 7:00 p.m.

Chair Deaver called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

# 1. Call Meeting to Order

Planning Commissioners Present: Alpaugh, Johnson, Barse, Harvey, Deaver and Siebenaler

Planning Commissioners Absent: Wallace Staff Present: City Planner Justin Fortney

# 2. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Johnson motioned to approve the minutes from the meeting of March 12, 2018 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Harvey. Motion approved 5-0.

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. **Wise Funeral Home –** Special Use Permit and Site Plan #2018-14 – Expansion of a Funeral Home and Crematory in an R-2 District. Expansion of a Building and Parking Lot – 400 Spring Street. Staff Report by Justin Fortney.

Fortney presented the staff report. The applicant is proposing to expand the parking lot over the site of a demolished house. The existing building will also be expanded by about 400 SF. Within the building addition there will be a crematory. In December, the City Council passed an ordinance amendment allowing funeral homes and crematoriums in R-2, Medium Density Residence zoning districts. This consideration was at the request of Wise funeral home, which had been planning for this expansion.

Fortney summarized site plan features and standards as well as Special Use Permit review criteria.

Chair Deaver opened the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

No comments.

Chair Deaver closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

Commissioners discussed site lighting levels near the residential property to the west. They discussed the potential loss of one or two trees along with the proposed trees and other landscaping. Finally they discussed the potential effects of a crematory.

Commissioner Harvey motioned to approve Special Use Permit and Site Plan #2018-14 – Expansion of a Funeral Home and Crematory in an R-2 District. Expansion of a Building and Parking Lot – 400 Spring Street with the addition of the .5 candle lighting to the list of conditions, seconded by Commissioner Barse. Motion approved 6-0.

This item will go to City Council for final approval on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### **OTHER ACTIONS**

# 4. Comprehensive Plan Update

Fortney stated that a Comp Plan draft will be available at the next Planning Commission meeting.

# 5. Other Business

Fortney discussed upcoming potential Planning Commission business dealing with the addition of sunset clauses in Special Use Permits in the future.

# 6. Adjourn

Chair Deaver motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Alpaugh. Motion approved 6-0

Next Meeting - April 23, 2018