

TOWN OF GEORGETOWN - PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes January 17, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Commissioners

Gary Tonge
Linda Dennis - absent
Penuel Barrett - absent
Michael Barlow
Gordon Mariner

Staff

Jocelyn Godwin, Planning
Jamie Craddock, Planning

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Tonge called the meeting to order in the Town Hall at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 20, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Barlow moved, seconded by Commissioner Mariner, to approve the December 20, 2017 regular meeting minutes as presented. **APPROVED**
(UNANIMOUS)

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Rezone Application CASE #2017-22

An application by Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., on behalf of Theodore and Suzanne Murphy, for an official zoning map amendment from Urban Residential (UR1) to Professional Business District (UB3). The property is located at 313 North Bedford Street, Georgetown, DE identified as Sussex County Tax Map ID 135-14.20-79.00.

Commission Chairman Tonge noted for the record that the existing zoning of the property is UR2, not UR1 as provided on the application.

The rezone application was presented by Vince Robertson, of Parkowski, Guerke & Swayze. The zoning requested is for the most restrictive commercial zoning of UB3, allowing professional offices. The exterior of the house will be kept residential. The request is supported by the Comprehensive Plan which indicates future land use of Medium Density Residential/Office. The law office will initially supply two jobs with future expansion to four.

The use will not adversely affect the neighboring properties with office use from 9 am until 5 pm and low traffic impact. The owner plans to keep as many trees as possible, put in a larger Koi pond and will demo the aging shed to allow access to the parking in the back.

Chairman Tonge asked for any public comment on the application. No one in attendance had comments either for or against the application.

Mrs. Godwin confirmed that no correspondence was received either for or against the application.

Once the zoning is determined, the site plan will be reviewed.

Commissioner Barlow moved, seconded by Commissioner Mariner, to recommend that Town Council APPROVE the petition as presented. APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)

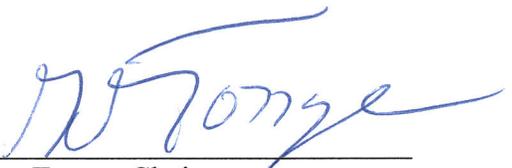
5. Planning Department Report

The minutes for January 18, 2017 had a typo that has been corrected and noted as such.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Barlow moved, seconded by Commissioner Mariner, to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m. APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)

APPROVED:



Gary Tonge, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Jocelyn Godwin, Planning