



Zoning & Planning Commission

Municipal Building 3800 University Blvd

Meeting Minutes

via teleconference due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) health threat and in the Municipal Building

June 17, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Wilson, John Cutrer, Winfield Campbell, Sylvette Bobb, David Kuykendall, Bob Powell and Brian Brantley

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Building Official Clay Chew, Legal Counsel Alan Petrov, Public Works Director Gerardo Barrera, and Permit Technician Lisa Ray

GUESTS PRESENT: Winston Cooke, Richard Beck, Alida Drewes, Cynthia J. Johnson, Paul Scheet, Aurelio Diez, Kim King, Elizabeth Strelow, Dick Yehle, Eddie Matthews, Perry Nolan, Ed Heathcott and Jennifer Sickman

1. **Notices, Rules, Etc.** Richard Wilson; Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. and asked commission members and staff to introduce themselves. Richard Wilson asked staff to confirm that appropriate notices were given. Clay Chew stated notices were posted per state and local laws.
2. **Noise Regulations.** There were eight residents, Winston Cooke, Richard Beck, Alida Drewes, Cynthia Johnson, Paul Scheet, Aurelio Diez, Kim King, Elizabeth Strelow and Jennifer Sickman who spoke in favor of amending the current ordinance to extend quiet hours and restrict the type of leaf blowers that are used to a 70 decibel rating or lower. There were four residents, Dick Yehle, Eddie Matthews, Perry Nolan and Ed Heathcott who were opposed to amending the ordinance, as they felt it would be difficult to enforce and create more consequences than benefits. Kevin Taylor and Evan Duvall shared their notes from the City Council workshop citing that other cities have been able to enforce leaf blower restrictions with success and noticeable noise reduction. Kevin and Evan also provided pricing and local vendors that supply lower rated decibel leaf blowers. Richard Wilson made a motion to present City Council with two options (with a recommendation for the quiet hours option) to address the regulation of yard care equipment and leaf blowers. There was also discussion regarding other issues with the current draft of the ordinance and the Commission gave staff direction on changes to be incorporated in the next draft of the ordinance. Second by John Cutrer. **AYES:** Richard Wilson, John Cutrer, Winfield Campbell, Sylvette Bobb, Bob Powell and Brian Brantley. **NOES:** David Kuykendall. **ABSTAIN:** None. **Motion carried.**

