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ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE AGENDA Monday August 15, 2022 City Council Chambers

Ordinance Review Committee is now conducting in-person meetings and the public is welcomed to attend. During the meeting the committee will accept phone calls at 207-588-4063/enter access code – 2222

- 1.) Call the meeting to order- Chair Willis called the meeting to order at 5pm.
- **2.**) **Roll Call-** Rusty Greenleaf, Clare Marron, Debby Willis, Pat Hart, Lisa St. Hilaire, Kris McNeil-CEO, Jessica Cobb- KVCOG, Angelia Christopher- Planning and Development Assistant
- **3.) Review of July 19, 2022 meeting notes-** Chair Willis asks for a motion on the minutes- Lisa St. Hilaire offers a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Pat Hart seconded the motion. No further discussion. All members present in favor.
- **4.) Sump Pump Ordinance** Kris is pleased with the rewrites presented by KVCOG. These are changes to the City Code and this is this ready to go to City Council. Clare Marron moves to send this change to City Council. Rusty Greenleaf seconds the motion. No further discussion. All Board members present in favor.
- **5.) Storm Water Drainage Ordinance-** Kris is pleased with this too. This is all set to go to City Council for City Code changes. Lisa St. Hilaire offers a first motion. Rusty Greenleaf offers the second. No further discussion. All members present in favor.
- **6.) Zoning change from HDR to PD on Cobbossee Ave.-** This was brought to the board due to a request by a couple of businesses to install an electronic reader board. After discussion, the committee decided to leave the zoning as it is. Clare Marron makes a motion to not recommend a change to the zoning in this area. Lisa St. Hilaire seconded the motion. Rusty Greenleaf- abstained from the vote due to him living in this area. No further discussion. Five members in favor- 1 abstain.
- **7.) Electronic Message Boards.** There have been requests from a few businesses in town to install Electronic Message Boards. Historically there has been opposition to these types of signs due to the

flashing, and brightness. Kris McNeill feels that they will only grow in popularity due to the cost effectiveness and high visibility.

Debby asks for a motion to send this back to council without changing it. Rusty Greenleaf lives across the street from the Middle School who has such a sign, and he reports that if the rules/restrictions are clear, these types of signs could work. Kris does have a light meter so he can monitor requirements. Jessica Cobb- KVCOG suggests to table it so she can work with Joel Greenwood on this to bring something back to ORC. Kris suggests that the signs be allowed on Brunswick Ave and Cobbossee Ave-Rt126, with the controls that are in place. Pat Hart feels it might be best to just change MUV to an allowed us. Jessica will draft something, and get it back to us for the next meeting.

8.) Amendment to Code regarding License Renewal for non-conforming Marijuana

Businesses- This will be code change to the Marijuana/Cannabis licensing ordinance. — With the original ordinance, there was a 500' proximity between retails. That has since been changed to 1000' and most current businesses are no longer conforming. The current standards in the LUO that a non-conforming business can reopen within one year. Can this time frame be changed? Jessica is going to confer with Joel Greenwood and research this further to see if anything can be done to make this change.

- **8.) Other:** Nothing at this time.
- **9.) Adjourn**: Chair Willis asks for a motion to adjourn at 6:30pm Lisa St. Hilaire offers a first motion to adjourn. Kris McNeill seconds. No further discussion. All members present in favor.