

**CITY OF MASON  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2014**

Reeser called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 201 W. Ash Street, Mason, Michigan.

Present: Commissioners: Barna, Hude, King, Reeser, Sabbadin, Waxman  
Absent: Commissioners: Fischer, Naeyaert, Trotter  
Also present: David Haywood, Zoning & Development Director  
Deborah J. Cwierniewicz, City Clerk

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
**Regular Minutes of March 11, 2014**

The regular meeting Minutes of March 11, 2014, were approved as submitted.

**PEOPLE FROM THE FLOOR**

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Mason Fire Fighter Association Annual Pancake Breakfast – May 3, 2014
- Narcotics and Opiates Forum – May 2, 2014
- Arbor Day Celebration – April 25, 2014

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**Report – Medical Marihuana Ordinance**

Haywood reported on the ordinance recently adopted by City Council regarding medical marihuana operations and dispensaries. As a result of the Michigan Supreme Court ruling in February of 2014, the Federal Controlled Substance Act does not pre-empt State or local ordinances and the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act should be applied and followed, which declares Ordinance No. 180 invalid. Ordinance No. 196 was adopted which defines medical marihuana operations and dispensaries and sets the requirements and effects of acquiring and holding a license in the city. Council immediately adopted a resolution setting a temporary moratorium on the issuance of licenses for primary caregiver operations and dispensaries for 180 days.

**Discussion – Master Plan Implementation Strategy**

Haywood informed the Commission that the City Council adopted the Master Plan Update 2014. He suggested that the Commission begin to evaluate and prioritize the implementation strategies outlined in chapter five of the Plan. A brief discussion ensued; Haywood will present chapter five as an item of business at the next regular meeting for beginning the process of review.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Distributed.

**LIAISON REPORTS**

None.

**DIRECTOR REPORT**

Haywood informed the Commission regarding current zoning and development business.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Deborah J. Cwierniewicz, City Clerk

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Jim King, Secretary