



City of La Vernia
102 E. Chihuahua St.
La Vernia, Texas 78121
Joint City Council & Planning and Zoning Workshop

October 11, 2022
6:00-8:00 PM

Minutes

1. Call to Order- Mayor Poore called the City Council and Planning and Zoning meeting to order at 6:01 PM and declared a quorum. Councilwoman Hutchinson absent. The Planning and Zoning Commission did not have a quorum. Members absent: Commissioner Rauschuber', Commissioner Witherell, and Chairman Hennette.

2. Discussion

A. Discuss and consider the current code of Ordinances, Landscaping Standards, referencing commercial screening standards, and standards for commercial properties bordering residential properties

Councilwoman Hutchinson arrived at 6:03 pm. City staff, Councilmembers, and Commissioners decided to have no conversation on this line item.

B. Discuss proposed amendments to chapter 26 of the City Code of Ordinances referencing signs

1. Discuss amending section 26-101.1 to establish a definition for the term "neon sign," and to define the term "off-premise signs" where the section currently does not

City Staff and Mayor Poore advised that we would not be pursuing a definition for off-premise signs any longer, and thus, this item was not discussed. Councilmembers and Commissioners were in favor of the neon sign definition.

2. Discuss amending section 26-111., Prohibited Sign Types, to prohibit neon signs and to prohibit off-premise signs where the section currently does not

City Staff and Mayor Poore advised that we would not be pursuing prohibiting off-premise signs any longer, and thus, this item was not discussed. Councilmembers and Commissioners were in favor of prohibiting neon signs.

3. Discuss amending section 26.110. which requires a maximum of 25 feet in height for signage located at a single commercial building, to increase the height and change sign type regulations

Councilmembers and Commissioners were in favor of increasing the max height of signs along the US HWY 87 corridor to 35 feet while leaving the max sign height in other areas of the city at 25 feet, with the exception of the Chihuahua St corridor (Downtown District) in which only monument signs and hanging signs will be allowed. Councilmembers and Commissioners are in favor of the staff-recommended definition for the term hanging sign, under the condition that staff revises the section of said definition that states “fixed to prevent swinging” to allow for swinging.

C. Discuss proposed amendments to Chapter 38 of the City Code of Ordinances referencing Zoning, specific to Public Institutional Zoning

1. Discuss amending section 38-302, Permitted Use Chart, specifically related to section B, accessory structures

Councilmembers and Commissioners had no further comments on this item after discussing it at the previous meeting, thus, it was not discussed

2. Staff recommends amending section 38-302, Permitted Use Chart, specifically related to sections B, C, D, E, F, G, and, H, as it relates to the PI district

Councilmembers and Commissioners had no further comments on this item after discussing it at the previous meeting, thus, it was not discussed

D. Discuss proposed amendments to Chapter 38 of the City Code of Ordinances referencing Zoning, specific to parking standards

1. Discuss amending section 38-402., Off-street Parking and Loading Requirements to include a permeable option.

Councilmembers and Commissioners were in favor of allowing for interlocking concrete permeable pavers, or porous, pervious or permeable pavement parking space surface (with no plastic permeable grids allowed.)

E. Discuss proposed amendments to Chapter 38 of the City Code of Ordinances referencing Zoning, specific to mobile businesses

1. Discuss amending Sec. 38-104. -Definitions,

A. Amend the definition of *Mobile food Vendor*

Councilmembers and Commissioners would like the staff to revise their proposed definition of the term mobile food vendor to read as it currently does without the addition of “these types of vendors must roll up and roll out daily” and rather, to include “these types of vendors must roll up and roll out daily” into a descriptive paragraph regarding mobile food vendors.

B. Create a definition for the term mobile vendor (nonfood related)

Councilmembers and Commissioners were in favor of the staff’s proposed definition of the term mobile vendor (non-food.)

3. Adjourn- Councilwoman Hutchinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by and Councilwoman Recker. The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM and all members were in favor.



Martin Poore, Mayor



Marlin Tanneberger, Commissioner



Lindsey Wheeler, City Secretary