



**City of Allegan  
Planning Commission Meeting  
Monday, June 21, 2021  
Allegan City Hall Council Chambers  
231 Trowbridge Street Allegan MI 49010  
MINUTES**

1) Call to Order

Chairman Wilkening called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2) Attendance

Present: Alex Wilkening, Roger Bird, Julie Emmons, Mayor Delora Andrus, and Tanya Westover and Jason Watts

Absent: Thomas Morton

Motion by Watts with support from Westover to excuse Watts and Morton from the June 21, 2021, meeting. **Motion Passed 6-0.**

Others Present: Joel Dye, City Manager, Sarah Perrigo, City Manager Intern and Lori Castello, PCI, Zoning Administrator

3) Approval of the Agenda Monday, May 17, 2021.

Motion by Watts supported by Emmons, to approve the agenda for Monday, June 21, 2021, Planning Commission Meeting. **Motion Passed 6-0.**

4) Approval of the meeting minutes from, May 17, 2021, Planning Commission Meeting.

Motion by Mayor Andrus, with support from Bird, to approve the meeting minutes of May 17, 2021, Planning Commission. **Motion Passed 6-0.**

5) Public Comment

Let the record show no public comment was received.

6) New Business

6A. Public Hearing – Ordinance Text Amendment – Marijuana Freestanding Signs

Wilkening opened the public hearing at 6:10 PM.

Let the record show no comments were received.

Wilkening closed the public hearing at 6:11 PM.

Motion by Westover, supported by Bird to approve the Ordinance 493 to amend section 1707.33.B of the City of Allegan Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of removing the prohibition of freestanding signs where otherwise permitted. **Motion Carried 6-0.**

6B. Discussion regarding Ordinance Text Amendment – C-1 Central Business Text Amendment.

City Manager Dye provided a presentation regarding Article IX Central Business District. The discussion ensued regarding the potential amendment to the C-1 Central Business Zoning District as required for Redevelopment Ready Communities Program through the MEDC. The City of Allegan is a Ready Redevelopment Certified Community through the MEDC. To continue the certification, the city must adopt an ordinance with language that helps promotes placemaking. The MEDC has offered requirements for the ordinance.

The Planning Commission came to consensus to hold a public hearing on this text amendment at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

6C Review of the City of Allegan Master Plan

A general discussion ensued regarding the City of Allegan Master Plan updates. Some discussion indicated the addition of tiny homes and micro apartments being added to the plan. Overall, the Planning Commission was in favor the direction of the draft Master Plan as submitted.

7) Reports from Zoning Administrator and City Officers

None

8) Communications from Commission Members

None

9) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 P.M.

**Respectfully submitted by Christopher Tapper, City Clerk**