

CENTERVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

Special Meeting - - September 16, 1975

(Purpose of the meeting - - Two Public Hearings)

PRESENT: Messrs Elmer Tate, Jr., William McCrabb, George J. Schottmiller, James P. Hickey, Roland McSherry, and Nora Lake. Also present was City Attorney, P. N. Farquhar, and City Planner, Garth Reynolds.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 25-69 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT ONE MEMBER OF THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION BE A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

Nora Lake, sponsor of the ordinance, explained why she felt the ordinance amendment was necessary. The City now has a full planning staff, thus eliminating the need for Council representation on the Planning Commission. She also felt that the Planning Commission have now established themselves and no longer require the appointment of a Council member to the commission to ensure exchange of information between the two bodies. She also felt that it was necessary to prevent a conflict of interest.

Wm. Gillingham spoke in favor of the amendment. He said he had reviewed the minutes from the last year and found there had been no problems, but felt there could possibly be a conflict of interest if the ordinance is not amended.

There was no opposition to the amendment.

After a short discussion by Planning Commission, Mr. Tate asked for a motion.

*Nora Lake made the motion to pass the amendment to Ordinance No. 25-69. Mr. Wm. McCrabb seconded the motion. Passed by a unanimous vote.

2. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE [5-6], THE ZONING ORDINANCE, BY CHANGING DEFINITIONS, ADDING DEFINITIONS, AND ADDING CONDITIONAL USE REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUP HOMES.

Garth Reynolds read the changes in the amendment, explaining same.

Mrs. Marion Laing spoke in favor of the amendment. She commended the Planning Commission and the sub-committee on the length of time they have spent on trying to prepare an ordinance which was acceptable and pleasing to most everyone. As the parent of a retarded child, she felt the definitions were good and the locations of residence family homes were good. However, she did object to the requirement "h.h.", feeling that persons would object to residence family homes on prejudice alone. She encouraged the commission to visit already established residence family homes, and should the amendment become law, she hoped they would pass judgement wisely.

Mrs. Marie Grimm spoke in favor of the amendment but did not like the requirement "h.h.". She objected to the Public Hearings required under "h.h.".

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 15-61 (con't)

David Harrison, attorney representing the Resident Family Home Association, spoke in opposition to the amendment in regard to (G) Residence Family Home having to be approved by the Ohio Revised Code. He also felt the conditional use zoning creates more problems, setting up the Planning Commission in a political situation.

Ruth Bonner, mother of a retarded child and an aged mother, expressed the feeling that residence family homes should have the same rights, without restrictions, that other residents have and should not be subjected to legislation contained in this ordinance. She feels that conditional use zoning should be deleted and the term "House Parents" be redefined.

Harry Eberling, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Mental Health Association, felt that it was a very good ordinance but that it left out the marginally mentally ill.

Elmer Tate reassured him that they (Planning Commission) felt that the marginally mentally ill was covered under "E".

Terry Mambort, of the Montgomery County Board of Retardation, objected to the conditional use zoning. He felt this would put a label on persons who have to go before the public for Public Hearings and that it would create bad publicity for these people.

Mary Freeman, a resident family home co-ordinator, was in favor of the ordinance presented at the August meeting in that its use seemed more appropriate to her. She opposes the requirement "h.h.". She feels that it is discriminatory and should be omitted.

Mr. Tate asked if there were any more comments? He then announced the Public Hearing as being closed. There being no comments from the Planning Commission, he then asked for a motion.

*George Schottmiller made the motion that the amendment to Ordinance 15-61 be passed. Nora Lake seconded the motion. Passed by a unanimous vote.

*Nora Lake motioned that the meeting be closed. William McCrabb seconded it.

Minutes Approved by: _____, Chairman

NEXT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: Workshop - Tuesday, September 23, 1975
7:30 p.m. Community Room

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Present were:

Marie Grimm	100 Zengel Drive
Ruth Balner	7840 Bigger Road
Marion Laing	205 South Hill Court
David Harrison	4152 L. Idle Hour Circle
Terence Mambort	4385 Wilmington Pike
Donald Roby	1024 Warburton Drive
W. Gillingham	170 South Village Drive
Barbara Olson	Journal Herald
Wm. Laing	205 South Hill Court
Mari Freeman	Kettering
Jo Ann McIlale	613 Dodge Ct.
Marlene Carey	5959 Cleardale Dr.
Carol Pucci	C-B Times
Carolyn Weng	220 Virginia Ave.
Robertta Fisher	208 Bradstreet Rd.
Harry Eberling	2700 Winters Tower

