

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

September 16, 2015

Present: Hintz, Hoch, Pepler, Whitrock, Will, Workowski

Absent: Elliott

Others: Public Works Director Drake, Building Inspector Leahy, City Admin. Rich, City Attorney Wurtz

Will called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of agenda

Hintz moved and Hoch seconded a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve meeting minutes – August 19th

Will moved and Pepler seconded a motion to approve the August 19th, 2015 minutes as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Action items

Public Hearing – Conditional use permit to allow for motor vehicle sales in a B-1 (central business) district at 240 East Fond du Lac Street – Srbo Lazic

Mayor Will opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. Srbo Lazic addressed the Commission and explained he has owned the Ripon Welcome Inn for 15 years. During his slow season, he would like to buy and sell cars. Sales will be through Craig's List and eBay. No cars will be displayed for sale in the hotel parking lot. The State requires a dealer license if an individual sells more than 5 vehicles per year. No individuals from the general public were present to address the Commission. Mayor Will closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Pepler inquired if any vehicles would be displayed for sale at the house that Mr. Lazic owns next door to the hotel. Lazic replied no. No vehicles will be displayed for sale in the hotel parking lot either. Lazic added that he owns property in Fond du Lac and Muskego where vehicles may be parked. No damaged vehicles will be purchased. With a dealer license Lazic stated he can go to auctions and get better cars. The dealer office will be located in the hotel. Lazic lives at the hotel as well. A maximum of 2 to 3 cars may be parked in the lot behind the hotel, but they will be nice cars, and will look like customer cars. There will be no for sale signs or other advertising. Hoch inquired how many parking stalls are at the hotel. Lazic replied the hotel has 104 parking stalls, and the hotel has 38 rooms. Hintz inquired about signage. Lazic replied there would be no signage. Hintz moved and Whitrock seconded a motion to approve the conditional use permit request to allow for motor vehicle sales at 240 East Fond du Lac Street, subject to the following conditions: limit to a maximum of 5 parked vehicles, not abutting East Fond du Lac Street, no signage on the property or the vehicles, and review in one year. Motion carried 6-0.

Project updates and staff reports

None

Agenda items for future meetings

None

With no further business before the Commission, Will moved and Workowski seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0. Will declared the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Rich, City Administrator