

PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GRAND RAPIDS  
Minutes, July 19, 2023

A special meeting of the Planning Commission of Grand Rapids Charter Township was held at the Township Hall on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 3 p.m.

Present were Chair Wayne Harrall, Vice Chair Scott Conners; Secretary Dave Van Dyke, and Commissioners Doug Kochneff, Dan Ophoff, and Mark Prein. Steve Waalkes was absent. Also present were Michael DeVries, Township Supervisor, and Jim Brown, Township Attorney.

Chair Wayne Harrall opened the meeting. The commission members had received and reviewed a 36-page first draft of portions of the proposed Supplement No. 2 of the Master Plan. These included the Introduction, Chapters 1, 2 and 3 and, in Chapter 5, the text of the Southeast Cultural Area, the Legacy Area and the East Gardens Area. Portions of the draft were based on the members' decisions and comments at the previous work session meeting.

Among other matters, commission members discussed the residential, commercial and office land uses and policies stated in Chapter 3 of the draft, and approved certain changes in the text. The members also approved certain changes in the proposed future land uses for the Southeast Cultural Area and the Legacy Area.

The commission members also addressed the initial draft of the East Gardens Area, and approved revisions in the recommended future land uses, including matters as to multi-family dwellings and other land uses along the east side of East Beltline Avenue.

The members selected August 15 at 3:00 p.m. for the next work session meeting. At that meeting the members proposed to review the suggested text changes resulting from their discussion at this meeting; they also proposed to consider initial drafts of the text of the Northeast Rural Area and the Orchard Highlands Area of Chapter 5 of the pending Supplement.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

  
James R. Brown, acting recording secretary

