

**DANVILLE PLAN COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
December 14, 2020  
7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Sue Rempert, Loris Thompson, Barry Lofton, Adam Harvey, Greg Vanlaere, Tom Pado, and Jill Howard  
Members Absent: None  
Staff Present: Lesa Ternet and Malynn Hearon  
Guests: None

A quorum was established, the meeting was called to order by President Loris Thompson. Greg VanLaere made a motion to approve the November 14, 2020 minutes. Tom Pado seconded. Motion passed 7-0

**Old Business:** Jill Howard made a motion to approve the plan commission meeting scheduled for 2021. Tom Pado Seconded. Motion Passed 7-0

**New Business:**

- A. **Public Hearing: Text Amendment (Ordinance No. 34-2020) Amend Subsection 1.4 D., Scope of Regulations; Amend Subsection 12.2.M., Signs Prohibited; Remove Subsection 12.6.C.6 & 7.; Amend Subsection 16.9.8., Public Notice of the Danville Zoning Ordinance.**

L. Ternet stated this public hearing for a small number of text amendments to the Danville Zoning Ordinance. The first amendment is proposed for **Section 1.4 D.: Scope of Regulations** of the Zoning Ordinance. This section designates the zoning district of all properties that annex into the Town of Danville unless the annexation application includes a rezoning request. By default, the zoning district classification is RE1. The Redevelopment Commission is interested in approaching landowners for Super Voluntary Annexation and felt the ordinance would better serve the community if properties could have a zoning district classification that more closely matched their existing zoning. This amendment will allow the zoning district classification of properties to be annexed to be zoned to a like existing district with the recommendation of the zoning administrator.

The second amendment concerns prohibited signs as described in **Section 12.2 M: Prohibited Signs** of the Zoning Ordinance. This section prohibits signs hung across any street or alley or within any public right of way except when authorized by 12.4 or the Town of Danville (12.6.C.6.). The staff believes allowing the banners to be located across a public right of way, particularly US 36, could be a liability to the Town. The amendment will remove the allowance of banners or similar signs to be suspended across US 36.

The third amendment pertains to temporary signs as described in **Section 12.6.C.6. & 7.: Public Event Signs**. This section regulates temporary signs for public events by allowing banners or similar signs to be placed across US 36. It also allows banners or other temporary

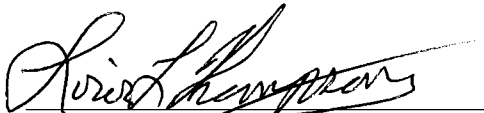
signs to be placed at the entrance of Ellis Park, provided the public event being promoted takes place within the park. The Board of Zoning Appeals approved a variance for an Electronic Message Center to be located in the park. As part of the approval, there was a condition to amend the zoning ordinance by eliminating the placement of banners and other temporary signs in the park. This amendment will remove these sections from the zoning ordinance.

The fourth and last amendment pertains to written notice requirements for interested parties or property owners, as described in **Section 16.9.8.: Public Notice**. This section requires written notice of a public hearing to be done by certified return receipt mailing to ensure notice is done within statutory requirements of ten (10) days prior to a hearing. This can be extremely costly, and the intent can be met by allowing a certificate of mailing instead. The amendment will allow notification to be done by certificate of mailing which is date stamped by the post office.

Adam Harvey made a favorable motion with a change in the last sentence, first paragraph, to replace the word "like" with similar. Barry Lofton seconded.

Motion Passed 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

  
Loris L. Thompson, President

  
Barry Lofton, Secretary