

JOINT PLANNING AND ZONING AND SPECIAL CALLED COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023 | 3:30 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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MINUTES

COUNCILOR ALERIE A. ABBOTT, COMMITTEE CHAIR
COUNCILORS LATONYA A. TATE & CLINTON P. WOODS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Councilor(s) Present: Abbott, O'Quinn, Tate, Woods

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Councilor Abbott.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Action Taken:

Councilor Woods Motioned to Approve.

Councilor Tate Seconded the Motion.

The December 14, 2022 Joint Planning Zoning and Special Called Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes were approved as recorded.

III. REZONING CASES

1. **ZAC2022-00007, Ensley Highlands**

Action Taken:

Councilor Woods Motioned to Forward Item to the City Council with a No Vote from the Committee.

Item Recommended to the City Council Agenda to Deny Approval.

IV. OLD & NEW BUSINESS

Tim Gambrel presented an update on the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance that relates to conservation districts and open-space overlay.

The idea is to create zoning districts where certain properties can be re-zoned to offer additional levels of protection. All city parks could be re-zoned to open-space/neighborhood greenway districts.

The open-space districts would restrict what could be done at parks.

The creation of an open-space regional park district for parks such as Ruffner, Red Mountain, Zoo (potentially), will have different type uses that may include some commercial activity. The ordinance will be presented to the Office of the City Attorney once a final draft has been completed.

The Natural Resources Overlay, as part of the Zoning Ordinance, would create special requirements, development standards for properties that are adjacent to creeks, Lake Purdy, steep slopes and wetlands. There will be three types of buffers created for streams.

Action Taken:

Councilor Abbott request a copy of the draft be forwarded to the committee members for review and preparation for the Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting agenda.

No Action – Information Only

V. ADJOURN

Councilor O'Quinn Motioned to Adjourn.

Councilor Tate Seconded the Motion.

Meeting Adjourned.