

**TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNT
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

May 7, 2024

6:00 P.M.

The Planning Commission of the Town of Rocky Mount, Virginia met in the Council Chambers of the Rocky Mount Municipal Building, located at 345 Donald Avenue, Rocky Mount, Virginia, at 6:00 p.m. on May 7, 2024, for its regular monthly meeting with Madame Chair Janet Stockton presiding.

REMOTE PARTICIPATION OF MEMBER

Chair Janet Stockton informed the members of the Planning Commission that Member Will Waller had requested to participate via phone and asked for a vote to determine if her decision to allow Mr. Waller to participate via phone due to being out of town is in conformance with the Remote Participation Policy.

Motion: Affirm the Chairs decision that allowing Member Will Waller to participate via phone is in compliance with policy

Motion By: Member Bill Ball

Second: Vice Chair Bud Blanchard

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

Commission Members Present:

- Chair Janet Stockton
- Vice Chair Bud Blanchard
- Bill Ball
- John Tiggle
- Ina Clements
- Bobby Thompson

Commission Members Absent:

- Will Waller (participated via phone)

Staff Members Present:

- Planning & Zoning Administrator Jessica H. Angle
- Planning Commission Clerk Cherie Compton
- Town Attorney, John Boitnott

HEARING OF CITIZENS

None at this time

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented

Motion By: Member Ina Clements

Second: Member Bobby Thompson

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Let the record show that prior to the meeting, the Planning Commission received the following draft minutes for review and consideration of approval:

March 5, 2024 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve minutes as presented

Motion By: Member John Tiggle

Second: Member Ina Clements

Action: Approved by unanimous vote of members present

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Twin Creeks Distillery is requesting a special exception permit under Article 29-1-32, for a micro-distillery use on property located at 140 FRANKLIN STREET, ROCKY MOUNT, VA, 24151, Franklin County Tax Map and Parcel Number 2070100300. The applicant intends to operate a micro-distillery and distillery store at the subject property, which is zoned CBD (Central Business District-Arts & Culture).

Town Planner Jessica Angle presented the staff report. Anna Prillaman Robertson spoke on behalf of the application describing the plan for the new location of Twin Creeks Distillery. Member Ina Clements commented on how well the business was ran and how much entertainment they offered at the previous location. There were no public comments for this public hearing.

Hearing no further comments Madame Chair Janet Stockton asked for a motion.

Motion: Recommend that Town Council approve the Special Exception Permit, for a micro-distillery use on property located at 140 FRANKLIN STREET, ROCKY MOUNT, VA, 24151, Franklin County Tax Map and Parcel Number 2070100300.

Motion By: Member Bill Ball

Second: Member Ina Clements

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

Ayes: Chair Stockton, Vice Chair Blanchard, Member Ball, Member Tiggie, Member Clements, Member Thompson, Member Waller
Approved (7 to 0)

REPORT OF PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Zoning Administrator Jessica Angle provided the following updates:

- Members were emailed a digital copy of the proposed ordinance and the summary of the changes proposed, next work session is May 21st at 5:30pm
- Crooked Road company is under construction downtown
- Little Shabby's is opening in former Twin Creeks location
- Skin Deep Esthetics & Spa is opening downtown

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS

None at this time

NEW BUSINESS

None at this time

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn By: Member Ina Clements

Second: Vice Chair Bud Blanchard

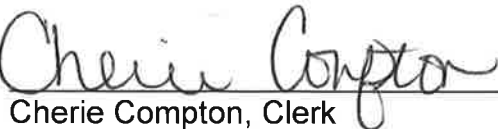
Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

Time of Adjournment: 6:11 p.m.



Janet Stockton, Chairman

ATTEST:



Cherie Compton, Clerk

