Waterfront Commission
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 13, 2024 – 7:00 PM
City Hall, City Council Chambers

Commissioners present:
William Fazioli, Chair
Domenic Pontarelli
Jennifer Griffith
Steve Amoroso
Robert Andrade
Steve Hardcastle
David O'Connell

Members Absent:
Tim Conley

Staff present:
Raymond Lavey, Executive Director
Amy Goins, Legal Counsel
Glen Fontecchio, Staff Architect

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1. Chairman's Opening Remarks:
The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Old Business
Vote: Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 27, 2024 meeting
Motion to approve minutes of June 27, 2024 made by S. Amoroso, Seconded by S. Hardcastle. Motions passes unanimously. (David O'Connell arrived late and was not present for this vote).

3. New Business
A. Continuation of Public Hearing on Metacomet Property LLC's application for its proposed development located on 500 Veterans Memorial Parkway Assessor's Map 107, Block 15, Lot 1, and Map 107, Block 15, Lot 1-10.

Josh Berlinsky, representing the applicant, presented to the Commission, introducing Todd Poole of 4ward Planning to present the Fiscal Impact Study.

Todd Poole presented his fiscal impact study of the proposed development to the Commission.

Deborah Cox from Public Archaeology Laboratory (PAL) presented to the Commission, providing an update on her archaeological assessment on the preliminary information of the field work conducted to date.

Josh Berlinsky provided a summary to the Commission on the various studies they have completed.

Chairman Fazioli opened the public hearing portion of the public meeting. Members of the public provided comments to the Commission discussing the definition of amplified music, asking the Commission what the word amplified means in the waterfront district's design guidelines, a question on whether a peer review study will be conducted for the noise study and a question to why the physical depth of the archaeological study is three feet.

There was a motion by D. Pontarelli to continue the public hearing to the September 19th Waterfront Meeting. The motion passes unanimously.

4. Staff Report

Executive Director R. Lavey provided an update to the Commission on recent meetings and other administrative activity over the past month.

5. Vote: Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by S. Hardcastle, seconded by D.Pontarelli.
Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond Lavey, Executive Director