

CITY OF GAINESVILLE
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

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2:00 p.m.

June 14, 1989

- Members Present:** Van Knight, Chris Kaden, Russell Duncan, and Luann Shortnacy,
- Members Absent:** John Schmitz, Don Hawkins and Allen Fleitman.
- Staff Present:** Gene Cravens, Pat Payne, and Gilbert Villa.
- Visitors Present:** Martha Davis [Representative from Council] and Kenneth Otto.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Van Knight at 2:10 p.m.

The **second item on the agenda** was consideration and approval of the minutes from the May 10, 1989 meeting. A motion was made by Russell Duncan and seconded by Luann Shortnacy to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Knight, Duncan, Shortnacy, and Kaden. Nays: None. Absent: Hawkins, Schmitz and Fleitman.

The **third item on the agenda** was consideration of and recommendation on an ordinance to be known as the Gainesville Sign Code, regulating all signs within the City of Gainesville. Mr. Knight asked Mr. Cravens to present any comments he had.

Mr. Cravens said he would go through and review the ordinance once again if anyone felt the need for it. However, the only changes made from last review was a requirement in the height of signs in Commercial areas to 35 feet and 16 feet in residential. Another change was the prohibition of portable signs after one year. All non-conforming signs will be phased out in a five-year period, or sooner if abandoned or destroyed. Billboards will be restricted to major highways with a restriction on height and size.

Mr. Duncan asked if there had been any input from the public concerning the proposed Sign Ordinance; he was told there had not been any inquiries or comments.

After no further discussion or comments, a motion was made by Russell Duncan and seconded by Chris Kaden to **recommend approval of the Gainesville Sign Code** to City Council for first reading on July 11, 1989. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Duncan, Shortnacy, Knight and Kaden. Nays: None. Absent: Fleitman, Hawkins, and Schmitz.

The **fourth item** on the agenda was consideration and recommendation on an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance establishing definitions for Auto Storage or Auction and for Auto Parts and Accessory Sales.

Mr. Cravens explained that in 1987 an amendment was adopted adding definitions for service stations, body shops, repair shops, etc., including storage on discarded parts. After review of the Zoning Ordinance, Mr. Cravens said he realized that the above mentioned uses needed to be addressed to prevent a lot of the "clutter" that is around the City.

Mr. Knight asked if anyone would care to speak. Kenny Otto said he would like to express his opinions concerning his problem. He said he realized he had six months to do something about his problem [Re: Board of Adjustment & Appeals: Meeting of February 21, 1989]. After Mr. Otto made statements regarding his situation, Mr. Knight told him the Planning and Zoning Commission had no jurisdiction over his dilemma. He was told he would have to talk with Mr. Cravens and go back before the Board of Appeals and Adjustment on appeal for remedy. Mr. Otto was told, however, that the area where his business is located was annexed in 1985, not 1987, as he believed.

After no further discussion, a motion was made by Russell Duncan and seconded by Chris Kaden to **recommend approval** of the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance establishing definitions as previously stated. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Duncan, Shortnacy, Knight and Kaden. Nays: None. Absent: Fleitman, Hawkins, and Schmitz.

Mr. Knight asked Mr. Cravens if he had anymore items to come before the Planning and Zoning Commission; he did not.

After no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.