

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLAN COMMISSION  
OF THE VILLAGE OF BOLINGBROOK  
August 1, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Cawthon called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m., Wednesday, August 1, 2012.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Lon Schank, Greg Jacobs, Talat Rashid, Rick Campos, Libby Runge, Calvin Wright, Vice Chair Mary Rennels

Absent: Commissioners J.D. Rhoades

Staff: Director of Community Development, Dennis Kowalczyk

Press: The Reporter Newspaper, Don Gregias

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**AMENDMENT TO A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT WITH VARIANCES. RR DONNELLEY, 1000 WINDHAM PARKWAY. APPLICANT: MELISSA LYONS, NAI HIFFMAN. PROJECT NO.: 449.03**

Motion Vice Chair Rennels, second Schank to open the public hearing.

AYES: Commissioners Wright, Runge, Schank, Rashid, Jacobs, Campos, Vice Chair Rennels, Chairman Cawthon

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Rhoades

Motion carried, public hearing opened at 8:02 p.m.

Motion Schank, second Jacobs to continue the public hearing to the August 15, 2012, Plan Commission meeting.

AYES: Commissioners Wright, Runge, Schank, Rashid, Jacobs, Campos, Vice Chair Rennels, Chairman Cawthon

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Rhoades

Motion carried, public hearing continued at 8:03 p.m.

**AMENDMENT TO A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT WITH VARIANCES. ADVENTIST BOLINGBROOK HOSPITAL. 500 REMINGTON BLVD. APPLICANT: JESSICA HEATH-BOLDEN, WHITE WAY SIGN COMPANY. PROJECT NO.: 443.04**

Motion Rashid, second Wright to open the public hearing.

AYES: Commissioners Wright, Runge, Schank, Rashid, Jacobs, Campos, Vice Chair Rennels, Chairman Cawthon

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Rhoades

Motion carried, public hearing opened at 8:04 p.m.

Director of Community Development, Dennis Kowalczyk, presented the request. The applicant, White Way Sign Company on behalf of Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital, is seeking approval of an Amendment to a Special Use Permit for a Planned Commercial Development with Variances

in order to increase the size of the existing ambulance only directional sign located along Schmidt Road. Currently the sign copy consists of approximately thirteen (13) square feet and the applicant is asking to increase the sign copy to thirty-six (36) square feet.

In addition, the applicant is proposing to enlarge the sign structure from eight (8) feet in height and four (4) feet eight (8) inches in width to fourteen (14) feet in height and seven (7) and half (½) inch in width.

The purpose of the sign, per the applicant, is for emergency safety and security. The general public uses the driveway as a turnaround when they discover there is no access to the main parking lot thus hindering emergency traffic. This creates a serious problem as the driveway is for ambulance use only. Moreover, the sign must be very visible as it directs the public away from the entrance while also directing the public to the appropriate entrances.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends approval of an Amendment to a Special Use Permit for a Planned Commercial Development with Variances to allow increasing the size of the ambulance only directional sign to not exceed a sign copy size of thirty-six (36) square feet and a height not to exceed fourteen (14) feet.

### **DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Schank asked if there was any intent to illuminate the sign. Kowalczyk responded in the negative and explained that the sign is a vital part of the sign package because it does not provide access to the main parking lot of the hospital. Schank further added that he would like to encourage the sign be illuminated. Kowalczyk further added that would be a business decision from the Applicant, as 24-hour illumination of all signs was approved when the original Special Use Permit was approved in 2004.

Herman McKenzie, Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital, sworn. Mr. McKenzie stated that they would consider adding illumination to the sign.

Motion Schank, second Wright to close the public hearing.

AYES: Commissioners Wright, Runge, Schank, Rashid, Jacobs, Campos, Vice Chair  
Rennels, Chairman Cawthon

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Rhoades

Motion carried, public hearing closed 8:09 p.m.

Motion Runge, second Schank to accept the recommendation of Planning Staff.

AYES: Commissioners Wright, Runge, Schank, Rashid, Jacobs, Campos, Vice Chair  
Rennels, Chairman Cawthon

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Rhoades

Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

**APPROVAL OF PLAN COMMISSION REPORTS**

Motion Campos, second Wright to accept Plan Commission reports:

- PC 12.22 Approval of an Amendment to a Special Use Permit for a Planned Residential Development with Variances. River Hills Subdivision Lot 1 Applicant: Debbie Beaver, William Ryan Homes. Project No.: 446.04
- PC 12.23 Approval of a Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development to Allow an Eye Doctor. Rasa Eye Care, 124 E. Boughton Road. Applicant: Rasa Maksimavicinfe-Tharp. Project No.: 414.12
- PC 12.24 Approval of an Amendment to a Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development with Variances. 254 Internationale Drive. Applicant: Paul Lombardo, Drew Enterprises. Project No.: 415.12

Voice Vote: Unanimous.  
Motion carried.

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

None

**CHAIR’S REPORT**

Chairman Cawthon announced his resignation as Chairman of the Plan Commission and that the new Chairman would be Russell Fletcher.

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

None.

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Mr. Kowalczyk expressed his gratitude for Chairman Cawthon’s numerous years of service and dedication through all the challenges faced with each project. He further added that Chairman Cawthon added sound leadership, thoughtfulness, and fairness to the process.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Vice Chair Rennels, second Runge to adjourn.  
Voice Vote: Unanimous  
Motion carried.  
Chairman Cawthon adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

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