

**PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING
MAY 9, 2017 AT 6:30 PM
CORDOVA CENTER COMMUNITY ROOMS A & B
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair **Scott Pegau** called the Planning Commission Public Hearing to order at 6:30 PM on May 9, 2017 in Cordova Center Community Rooms A & B.

2. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were Vice Chair **Scott Pegau** and Commissioners **John Baenen**, **Mark Frohnapfel**, and **Allen Roemhildt**. **Tom McGann**, **Heath Kocan**, and **Nancy Bird** were absent.

Also present was City Planner **Samantha Greenwood** and Assistant Planner **Leif Stavig**.

2 people were in the audience.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

a. Variance Request – RJ Kopchak

RJ Kopchak, 122 West Davis Avenue, was hopeful they had the opportunity to see the property. The neighborhood is one of the oldest in town and the subdivision was from 1908 to 1910. The house on the property was built in 1918. The layout of the neighborhood is tight, but they have all worked with it. The front setback request allows him 40-80 additional square feet, which for that structure provides a lot more space. All of the congestion in his neighborhood is caused by personal property being in the right of way. His neighbor whose access easement is through his property is enthusiastic about the covered walkway.

Becky Chapek said that she has a home in the neighborhood. She knows that whatever **Kopchak** decides to build will be awesome, but that the property was the skinniest piece of property there could ever possibly be. It's too bad that it is there. There's no parking in the area. When she lived in the neighborhood a lot of people didn't have vehicles, and now it is very congested. She does not think that all undersized lots need to be improved with a building. Rather than handing out permits, what is better for the neighborhood is a little less population density and compliance with ordinances. The lot should be vacated and added to the other lot, no matter how groovy it is.

With no objection, the commission recessed for five minutes.

The Public Hearing came back to order at 6:44 PM.

4. ADJOURNMENT

M/Frohnapfel S/Baenen to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:45 PM.

With no objection, the hearing was adjourned.

Approved:



Tom McGann, Vice Chair



Leif Stavig, Assistant Planner