



**City of Newport
Planning Commission Minutes
June 8, 2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Haley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present – Kevin Haley, Marvin Taylor, David Tweeten, Saengmany Ratsabout

Commissioners absent – Anthony Mahmood,

Also present – Deb Hill, City Administrator; Renee Eisenbeisz, Asst. to the City Administrator; Bill Sumner, Council Liaison; Sherri Buss, TKDA Planner; Jon Herdegen, City Engineer

3. APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

A. Planning Commission Minutes of the May 11, 2017 Meeting

Motion by Ratsabout, seconded by Tweeten, to approve the May 11, 2017 minutes as presented. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

4. APPOINTMENTS WITH COMMISSION

A. Public Hearing – To consider amendments to Section 36-208 regarding lot coverage in residential districts

The public hearing opened at 5:32 p.m.

Sherri Buss, City Planner, presented on this item as outlined in the June 8, 2017 Planning Commission packet. The Planning Commission discussed whether or not there was a need to allow up to 40% lot coverage if the homeowner met certain best practices or go to a blanket 40% lot coverage. Staff felt that there are areas in town that could not handle 40% lot coverage due to runoff issues.

The public hearing closed at 5:48 p.m.

David Tweeten asked if there was an urgency to approve the resolution now. Staff said no because the City does not receive building permit applications where homeowners are exceeding 35% often. Most homeowners understand that they can't go over 35% and work off of that. Since there is no urgency, the Planning Commission was comfortable with tabling the resolution.

Motion by Tweeten, seconded by Ratsabout, to table Resolution No. 2017-6. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

5. COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS

6. NEW BUSINESS

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Upcoming Meetings and Events:

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| 1. City Council Meeting | June 15, 2017 | 5:30 p.m. |
| 2. Park Board Meeting | June 22, 2017 | 6:00 p.m. |
| 3. City Offices Closed for the 4th of July | July 3-4, 2017 | |
| 4. Planning Commission Meeting | July 13, 2017 | 5:30 p.m. |

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Tweeten, seconded by Ratsabout, to adjourn the Planning Commission Meeting at 5:55 p.m. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

Signed: _____
Kevin Haley, Chairperson

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Eisenbeisz
Asst. to the City Administrator