

SUGAR CITY PLANNING & ZONING MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2019

Commissioners in attendance: Dave Thompson, Christine Lines, Sean Bartholick, Dan Mecham and Quinton Owens

Others in attendance: Building Inspector Cliff Morris, Citizens Elaine King, Catherine Nielsen, Barbara Lusk, Joy Ball and Steve Adams

7:00 P.M. Meeting called to order by: Chairman Thompson

Discussion on Possible Revisions to Planning & Zoning City Code Title 9

The commission reviewed all of the proposed code changes to 9-1-3, 9-1-4 and 9-1-8 and discussed the following points that they would like to share with city council before they have their public hearing.

1. P&Z would like to work together with the council.
2. P&Z has checks and balances. Concerns were discussed with changes to 9-1-3, 9-1-4 and 9-1-8.
3. 9-1-8 was not recommended by P&Z, nor was there a public hearing on 9-1-8.
4. Once authority is delegated, it should remain with P&Z per state code. The commission's concern is that the change to 9-1-8 would take P&Z's authority away.
5. The commission would like to set up a work meeting with city council to understand each other's positions.
6. Because there wasn't an opportunity to give recommendations on 9-1-8, the commission feels a need to go back and do this following city code as it presently exists and state code.
7. There are concerns in regards to self-regulation and delegation of authority given by state and city code for independent function.
8. Public notice in future should have P&Z's recommendations to comply with state code.

In summary, the commission has concern because changes have been suggested to 9-1-8 without the recommendation coming from the commission. There were no proposed changes to this section at the time of the public hearing held for sections 9-1-3 and 9-1-4. Because of not having an opportunity to give a recommendation on the proposed changes to 9-1-8, they feel a need to go back and rectify this as per city code as it presently exists and also per state code.

The concern with the changes is that the suggested language would take authority delegated by city council from the commission. The commission feels that the authority delegated to the Planning & Zoning Commission, should remain with them per state code. This concern is in regards to self-regulation and the delegation of authority given by state and city code for the commission's independent function.

Motion made by: Dan Mecham to have Chairman Thompson present a letter with concerns discussed at the council meeting to be held on October 10, 2019.

Motion seconded by: Sean Bartholick

8:45 P.M. Motion to adjourn the meeting: Dan Mecham

Motion seconded by: Quinton Owens

Motion carried