

THE PLAN COMMISSION
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 16, 2015

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the Plan Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

A quorum was present. Chairman Patricia Letarte, Teresa Badillo, Giuliano Petrucci, Alma Montenegro, Eric Richard (Village Planner), Zoe Heidorn (Village Planner) and Lisa Manzo (Secretary). Absent: William Thorn and Daniel Particelli.

2. Member Petrucci made a motion to accept the minutes of September 23, 2015 as presented. Member Badillo seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. New Business: None.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Comprehensive Plan Update by Staff

Ms. Heidorn addressed the members and stated that staff is working diligently on the Comprehensive Plan and will provide the reports being prepared by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) when they are ready.

Mr. Richard passed out an informational sheet regarding the comprehensive plan showing statistics for the Village of Franklin Park.

Mr. Richard stated that staff is in the process of obtaining proposals for the truck routing plan. He also stated that there is a facade rebate program available for businesses along the Grand Avenue corridor between Lucy Lane and Edgington Street. The program is funded by a \$90,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), to be allocated to projects by September of 2016. The Village has already received 2 applications for facade work under the program.

Ms. Heidorn informed the members that the Franklin Park Enterprise Zone will be certified January 1, 2016. The 15-year designation provides a State sales tax exemption to properties in the commercial and industrial districts. She stated that staff will track jobs created as a result of this incentive.

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b. Project Updates by Staff

Ms. Heidorn stated that staff is working on a business packet for businesses in Franklin Park. She continued that there will be a business updates page on the Village's website and will also show videos spotlighting businesses in the Village.

Ms. Heidorn listed some new and upcoming events that are taking place in the Village in the next month. She continued to provide updates on multiple building projects within the Village.

7. Member Petrucci made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Plan Commission. It was seconded by Member Badillo. The motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Manzo
Secretary