

CITY OF NORTON SHORES
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
January 9, 2024

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores Planning Commission was called to order on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the community room of the Norton Shores Branch Library, 705 Seminole Road.

Present: Chairman Carroll, Commissioners Drier, Lans, Philips, Romine, and Westgate; also, Doug Hughes, Lexi Stibitz, and Ted Woodcock.

Absent: Commissioners Morano and Trygstad.

24-P01 Minutes

Commissioner Westgate moved to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023 Planning Commission meeting. The motion was supported by Commissioner Romine and carried unanimously.

24-P02 Land Division – 4677 Martin Road, Bill Carlston

Deputy City Clerk Stibitz certified the December 22, 2023 publishing and mailing of notices. A public hearing was held.

William Carlston, 1768 Bayview, the realtor representing the owner, was present to explain the reason for the variance.

Commissioner Westgate made a motion to recommend to City Council that permission be granted to Bill Carlston, acting on behalf of the property owner, to divide the property at 4677 Martin Road to create a new parcel due to the new and resultant parcels meeting the minimum lot requirements. The motion was supported by Commissioner Drier and carried unanimously.

24-P03 Land Division – 4788 Grand Haven Road, Russell Christensen

Deputy City Clerk Stibitz certified the December 22, 2023 publishing and mailing of notices. A public hearing was held.

Russell Christensen and realtor Trevor Bartkowiak, 4788 Grand Haven Road, were both present to explain the reason for the land division and zone change.

Commissioner Westgate made a motion to recommend to City Council that permission be granted to Russell Christensen, the property owner, to divide the property at 4788 Grand Haven Road to create a new parcel due to the new and resultant parcel meeting minimum lot requirements. The motion was supported by Commissioner Philips and carried unanimously.

24-P04 Zone Change – 4788 Grand Haven Road, Russell Christensen

Deputy City Clerk Stibitz certified the December 22, 2023 publishing and mailing of notices. A public hearing was held.

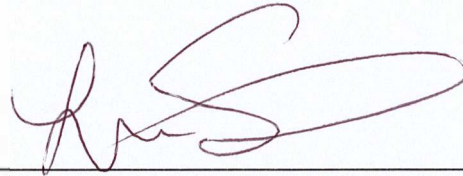
Linda Devries, 1071 Bellway Ave, said she attended the meeting after getting a notice about the zone change. She stated she spoke with the applicant prior to the Planning Commission meeting, her fears of a multi-family building not being built there were addressed by the applicant.

Commissioner Westgate made a motion to recommend to City Council that the zone change request to change a portion of 4788 Grand Haven Road from C-2 General Retail to R-2 Single Family residential is approve to Russell Christensen, the property owner due to the parcel not being spot zoned, making the home conforming, and staying consistent with the Master Plan. The motion was supported by Commissioner Philips and carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

None

Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.



Lexi Stibitz, Deputy City Clerk