

**Montpelier Planning Commission Meeting
November 12, 2019**

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This public meeting was recorded, and the video will be available for viewing at this link:
<https://www.montpelier-vt.org/1094/CivicClerk>

Present: Ariane Kissam, Kirby Keeton, Aaron Kisicki, Marcella Dent, Emery Richardson, Michael Miller.

Absent: Barbara Conrey, Stephanie Smith, and John Adams.

Call to order by the Chair: The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Kirby Keeton.

Approval of the agenda: The agenda was deemed approved.

Comments from the Chair: Kirby mentioned that the view shed discussion from the last meeting will be continued, with updates from Mike.

General business (comments from the public about something not on the agenda): There were no members of the public in attendance.

Consider minutes from October 28, 2019: Aaron made a motion to approve the minutes as printed, Marcella seconded. The motion passed on a 4-0 vote, with no abstentions.

Continuation of the discussion and public input on the Design Review proposal and map. A quorum of Historic Preservation Committee members may be present to discuss the proposal: Eric Gilbertson from the HPC was in attendance, as well as Meredith Crandall.

Eric stated that some energy efficiencies can damage buildings, such as vinyl siding. It has been proven that old windows can be rehabbed and be energy efficient with storm windows.

A vote will be taken on the regulation changes and the map at the same time.

[a vote couldn't be captured accurately because the video was on the map]

Aaron made a motion that 10-4 be included, move Redstone to 7-5 and portion of 3 properties on the west side. Aaron, Kirby, and Marcella voted in favor. Ariane's vote couldn't be seen in the video. Letters will be sent out to the people who are affected by the moves.

Aaron made a motion to approve the changes to design review regulations and overlay district as discussed. Marcella seconded. The motion passed on a 4-0 vote with no abstentions. There will be a public meeting in January.

Discussion of a potential River Hazard Area regulations map change that will be taken to

the City Council: The river hazard rules are not the flood plain. An application is asking to build just a shelter for their salt pile in their backyard but they can't because it's in the river hazard area. The structure will be cheaply built, so by the time in 100 years that the river shifts, the structure will be gone. A change regarding low value structures in the river hazard area will be proposed to City Council to allow the DRB to decide on the structure.

Discussion of vision statement including review of Montpelier Alive's branding statement

(time permitting): A consultant for Montpelier Alive! wrote their vision statement. Mike didn't know if it could be adapted for the City Plan, but it doesn't quite fit. Mike is meeting with the different committees to gather their vision statements.

Adjournment: Ariane made a motion to adjourn, Marcella seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Furry
Recording Secretary