

**Montpelier Planning Commission Meeting
February 10, 2020**

Subject to review and approval

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

Present: Barbara Conrey, Ariane Kissam, Stephanie Smith, Kirby Keeton, Aaron Kisicki, Marcella Dent, Michael Miller.

Absent: John Adams.

In attendance: Eric Gilbertson from the Historic Preservation Committee and the Design Review Committee.

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

Approval of the agenda: Barb made a motion to approve the agenda as printed, Stephanie seconded. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote with no abstentions.

Comments from the Chair: Kirby commented on the public hearing and noted that it went amicably. There will be one more public meeting about the changes, then they go onto City Council. Kirby won't be at the next meeting, so Aaron will chair.

General business (comments from the public about something not on the agenda): There were no members of the public who wanted to comment. Eric joined the meeting.

Consider minutes from January 27, 2020: Change that "Barb abstained because she was **not** at the meeting. Stephanie made a motion to approve the minutes with Barb's edit. Barb seconded. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote with no abstentions.

Review of comments from the public hearing on the Design Review regulations: Mike made up a matrix of comments made and his recommendations on each.

A few properties in the Terrace Street area had been asked to be removed from Design Review. Aaron moved to remove the neighborhood from design review, Ariane seconded the motion. The motion failed on a 2-2 vote with only Aaron and Ariane voting in favor. Stephanie made a motion to remove the three properties on Terrace and ask to have rezoned to district 11-2, Barb seconded. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote with no abstentions.

Comments came from people at Franklin Street Condos. Half were in design review, half were not. Ariane made a motion to remove Franklin Street SW and Liberty Street West from design review, Aaron seconded. The motion was voted for by Ariane, Aaron, and Stephanie. Marcella and Barb voted against the motion. Kirby voted against. The final vote was 3-3 with no abstentions so vote

failed. Aaron made a motion to remove the remainder of Franklin Square condos, Barb seconded. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote with no abstentions.

The next discussion was on subdivisions being exempt from design review. It was decided not to change.

Review of the draft aspirations and goals of the implementation strategy for the transportation chapter (time permitting): Time did not allow this discussion.

Adjournment: The meeting was deemed adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Furry
Recording Secretary