



## DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT May 7, 2019

The Development Committee of Wheeling City Council met on the above date at 11:30 a.m. in Council Chambers. Committee members present: Mayor Glenn Elliott, Vice Chair Wendy Scatterday, and Member Chad Thalman. Others present: Councilors Koslik, Thorngate, Palmer, Imer, Acting City Manager Larry Helms, City Solicitor Rosemary Humway-Warmuth, Economic and Community Development Director Nancy Prager, Economic and Community Development Assistant Director Tom Connelly, City Clerk Brenda J. Delbert and media.

The following matters were discussed:

### **18th Street Right of Way Abandonment: WVNCC**

Assistant ECD director Tom Connelly presents request from West Virginia Northern Community College. Mr. Mike Koon, Interim President, speaks on request of abandonment. The vision is a continuous parking lot, that will also allow green space and embrace the creek bank in future plans. They are requesting we abandon any right to this right-of-way. Mr. Connelly informed legal department and all other agencies who would have a potential interest. Objections were received from the Fire Department as it would decrease response times. Ms. Scatterday questioned Fire Chief Helms as to how long and it is estimated 30 seconds. Finance department noted a potential loss in revenue, losing 17 parking meters. City recommends a quitclaim deed and abandon any interest it may have with the described area, as it does not serve a public interest. Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Ms. Scatterday to approve this request, and forward to Council.

### **Alley A Burkham Court Abandonment: Gompers**

Assistant ECD director Tom Connelly presents request from Jonathan and Hope Wakatka; Mr. Gompers, ESQ speaks on client's behalf. They are requesting we abandon any right to this right-of-way. Mr. Connelly informed legal department and all other agencies who would have a potential interest, and no objections were received. City recommends a quitclaim deed and abandon any interest it may have with the described area, as it does not serve a public interest. Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Ms. Scatterday to approve this request, and forward to Council.

### **Development / Redevelopment Designation: "Country Roads BBQ" 56 Carmel Rd.**

Assistant ECD director Tom Connelly explains this site is within 1000 feet of a church, residence, playground, and other ABCA/LVT location. Kyle Phair speaks in regards to business and intent; wants to serve craft beer from local vendors. Mr. Phair has received a lot of support from the local community. Mr. Connelly states this is a permitted use for zoning. It is the staff recommendation to approve the request. Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Ms. Scatterday to approve this request, and forward to Council.



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**Development / Redevelopment Designation: “Clientele” 43 Fifteenth St.**

Assistant ECD director Tom Connelly explains this site is within 1000 feet of a church, residence, and other ABCA/LVT location. William Wallace speaks in regards to business and intent; wants to serve beer during art gallery shows; hours are event based and intends to host events once per month. Mr. Connelly states this is a permitted use for zoning. It is the staff recommendation to approve the request. Ms. Scatterday moved, seconded by Mr. Thalman to approve this request, and forward to Council.

**Executive Session: Property Transfer**

Mr. Thalman moves, seconded by Ms. Scatterday to enter into executive session at 11:52

Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Ms. Scatterday to resume the regular order of business 12:12

Mayor Elliott confirms there were no decisions made.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Ms. Scatterday, to adjourn. Time: 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Chairman Glenn Elliott

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Vice Chair Wendy Scatterday

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Member Chad Thalman