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CITY OF WHEELING PLANNING COMMISSION

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City of Wheeling – Zoning Sub-Committee

Meeting of the Planning Commission’s Zoning Committee: January 24, 2020.

Commissioners present: Mauck and West.

Commissioners absent (excused): Monroe.

Staff present: Connelly, and Humway-Warmuth

The meeting was called to order at 2:35 p.m. in City Council Chambers by Chairman Mauck.

Referred Business:

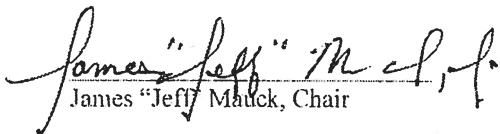
Zoning Text Amendment §1359.02 – Signs in the Right of Way

Chairman Mauck recognized the staff to provide an overview of the proposed amendment. Mr. Connelly and Ms. Humway-Warmuth reviewed the stated purpose of regulating signage in the city as well as the proposed amendment and the reasoning behind the need, which is based on the existing language being content based. The staff entered the slides prepared for the committee meeting into the record. Mr. Connelly commented this situation is not unique to Wheeling, and found during his research, that the proposed solution to prohibit signs in the right of way is common in municipalities. Staff is recommending changing the language from allowing “non-commercial sign” to prohibiting all signs in the public right of way, except for sidewalk signs in the commercial and industrial zones. Staff commented on the remaining parts of the staff report dealing with temporary signs on private property and off-premise commercial signs. A lengthy discussion ensued. In action on the matter, the committee voted 2-0 to recommend the Commission move forward and schedule a public hearing on the specific text amendment contained in the attached staff report.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


James "Jeff" Mauck, Chair