

PLANNING COMMISSION
OCTOBER 3, 2001

A Regular Meeting of the Lexington Planning Commission was held Wednesday, October 3, 2001 at the Lexington Municipal Building, 406 East 7th Street at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners present were Chairman Bill Grant, Vice-Chairman Mark Yung, Jim Macias, Toby Owens, Steve Smith, Rob Waterman, Charlene West, and Nova Workman. Commission Member Margaret Nielsen was absent. City Officials present were City Manager Joe Peplitsch, City Attorney Willard Weinhold, Chief Building Inspector Thomas R. Nelson, Secretary Shirley Lewis. Also present was Becky Byrd, Marty Romero, Phyllis Mueller, Neil Kugler, and other concerned citizens. The Press was represented by KRVN, and the Clipper-Herald.

NOTICE: Notice of the meeting was given in advance, thereof by publication in the Lexington Clipper-Herald, the designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these Minutes. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all Members of the Planning Commission. The proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. All items presented and discussed on the Agenda were available for public inspection.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Grant.

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – 9-5-01: Minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 5, 2001 was presented to the Lexington Planning Commission for consideration and approval. Moved by Yung, seconded by Owens, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held September 5, 2001 as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Macias, Smith, Waterman, West, Workman, Owens, Yung, Grant. Motion carried.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT: There being no one present to represent Neal Kugler, on property located at 406 W. 6th Street, this Agenda Item was moved until later in the meeting.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT: Chairman Grant opened the Public Hearing. Marisela Romero addressed the Lexington Planning Commission requesting a Special Use Permit for property located at 500 E. 7th Street, Lexington, Nebraska, for use as an office. Mrs. Romero stated that her business has outgrown her current facility, and would like to relocate her business to a larger building, and believes this property will meet her needs. Following Mrs. Romero presentation, Phyllis Mueller addressed her concerns regarding parking in the area. Mrs. Romero stated that the entrance for her business would be on Tyler Street, and she had plans to create

additional parking in the future. Following discussion, Chairman Grant closed the Public Hearing. Moved by Waterman, seconded by Yung, to recommend approval for a Special Use Permit for Marisela Romero on property located at 500 E. 7th Street, and terminate the Special Use Permit on property located at 601 E. 6th Street, Lexington, Nebraska. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Workman, West, Smith, Owens, Macias, Yung, Waterman, Grant. Motion carried.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT:

Chairman Grant opened the Public Hearing to consider a special Use Permit for Neil Kugler on property located at 406 W. 6th Street, Lexington, Nebraska, for use of selling antiques. Becky Byrd, expressed her concerns on the appearance of the property located at 406 W. 6th Street, as well as the additional traffic in the area. Ms. Byrd presented the Planning Commission with a Petition listing those against the issuance of the Special Permit. Following discussion, Chairman Grant closed the Public Hearing. Mr. Neil Kugler, arrived at the Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Grant reopened the Public Hearing. Mr. Kugler addressed the Planning Commission stating that due to personal reasons he is requesting the Special Use Permit be withdrawn. City Manager Pepplichtsch stated that under the circumstances, the City will take the necessary steps to resolve the issue, and that there is no longer any actions required of the Planning Commission. Chairman Grant closed the Public Hearing.

**ROUNDTABLE
DISCUSSION:**

Planning Commission Member Mark Yung requested information regarding the City of Gothenburg creating a “Residential/Agricultural” Zone. Chief Building Inspector Tom Nelson was requested to investigate this.

Planning Commission Member Steve Smith requested a response to the attendance of the Dinner planned for October 10, 2001. A headcount was then taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, Chairman Grant declared the Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Lewis
Secretary